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PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

North Branford Community Center

April 25, 2011

Special Meeting

Minutes

Present: Brian Lynch, Victor Palma, Frank Mentone and Lou Paternoster.

Others Present: Director Pam Gery, Lauren Munro, Recreation Supervisor, Joanne Wentworth Town Council Liaison and Ken Lieberkind, [North Branford.Patch.com](http://NorthBranford.Patch.com) (online news site).

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 pm.

The Corrected Minutes of January 24th were approved by Brian Lynch, Victor Palma and Lou Paternoster; the Minutes of February 28th were approved by Brian Lynch, Victor Palma and Frank Mentone and the Minutes of March 21st were likewise approved by Brian Lynch, Frank Mentone and Lou Paternoster.

## Town Sports:

Pam has all permits on file. She is working with the Soccer Club to appease them as North Farms was taken off line, but they will be scheduled at Northford Park, Totoket Valley Elementary School and Totoket Valley Park.

## Parks and Fields:

Pam had prepared and distributed a draft of the revised property policy to be reviewed and recommendations made as to changes. After studying them, the members made recommendations and discussed what changes they would like to emphasize so that a final document can be drawn up and used for establishing proper use of Town fields and properties under the Park and Rec umbrella. Most changes were a matter of clarification and/or added protection for the Town. Once complete, the Board will vote on it and it will be sent to the Town Council for the final approval as the Town standard. A meeting will then be scheduled so that all Town sports managers will be made aware of the Policy that will govern field use.



**Program Review:**

The Brochure has been made up and distributed as an insert in The Sound Newspaper and copies will be given to all supportive advertisers that placed ads in the booklet and to have on hand for their cliental.

The Teen Adventure Camp will be expanded this year to include three travel days rather than optional two travel days in the past. It is hoped that additional days traveling will make the program more appealing to teens rather than simply attending camp at the local schools as in the past.

**New Property:**

Pam, Brian Lynch and Victor Palma are attending the Permanent Project Development Committee meetings on behalf of Parks and Rec but it is too soon to report much about progress. Minutes of those meetings will be requested to be sent to Park and Rec members hereafter.

**Budget Review:**

No report.

**Community Center/Stanley T. Project:**

Everything on hold until a timeline can be established.

**Senior Center:**

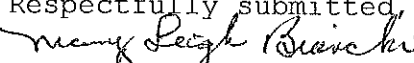
Senior Appreciation Day luncheon will be held at Stanley T. Williams at noon on May 19th, with live High School entertainment at 1 pm, and is open to all seniors. This is free, but pre-registration is required and seating is limited.

**Other Business:**

The Eagle Scout project proposed by Jason Conforte last fall was held up due to the horrible winter weather conditions, but is back on track and he will be working hard to achieve it prior to his 18th birthday.

**Next Meeting Agenda:**

The next meeting will be May 16, 2011 at the Community Center at 7:30 pm. On the motion made by Victor Palma seconded by Lou Paternoster the meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
  
Mary Leigh Bianchi, Clerk