



TOWN OF OLD SAYBROOK  
**Parks & Recreation Commission**

*Susan Esty, Chairman  
Kevin Lane, Vice Chair  
Jim Henderson, Secretary*

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*Star Rueckert  
Bror Ashe  
Nancy Gatta  
Jane Wisialowski*

**OLD SAYBROOK PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING**

**Wednesday, November 9, 2022; 6:30 PM**

This was a hybrid meeting

**MINUTES**

1. **Call Meeting to Order** – Chairwoman Susan Esty called the meeting to order at 6:31p.m.

**Present:** Director Ray Allen; Chairwoman, Susan Esty; Secretary, Jim Henderson; Nancy Gatta; Jane Wisialowski; Star Rueckert

**Absent:** Vice Chair, Kevin Lane; Bror Ashe

2. Approval of September 14<sup>th</sup> minutes with corrections made by Mr. Henderson was seconded by Ms. Gatta. Discussion: Mr. Henderson noted a typo in 7B; also third paragraph another typo (should be CMC, not CNC). Motion passed unanimously.
3. Approval of October 12th minutes was made by Mr. Henderson, seconded by Ms. Gatta. Discussion: Mr. Henderson noted a typo in 7B. (should be CMC, not CNC). Motion passed unanimously.
4. **Recognition of Guests** – None
5. **Correspondence** - None
6. **Review of Bills** – The commission reviewed the OSPR October, 2022 bills as presented by Director Allen in the amount of \$37,408.38.
7. **Public Comment** None
8. **New Business**

**A. Approval of Meeting Dates 2023**

The Commission approved the 2023 Calendar of Meetings. Ms. Lewis will file with Town Clerk.

**B. Upcoming Election of Officers Discussion**

Ms. Esty noted that she would continue as Chair. Mr. Henderson noted that he would continue as Secretary. Voting will occur at the December meeting.

**C. Any other Business regarding Programs, Facilities or Personnel**

None

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### 8. Old Business

A. **All Parks Review** – Director Allen reported all parks look great. He touched on the following:

- Trask park new mulch;
- Flag Pole up at Fort Saybrook Monument Park;
- Gazebo is up; patio to be done; water panel and grading to be completed;
- Irrigation shut off at the fields;
- Fencing at mini golf;
- Town Beach: Power Box replaced;
- Harvey's Beach and Town Beach; interior refresh of bath houses;
- Stone work around new bathrooms;

B. **Strategic Plan of Parks Discussion**

Director Allen noted they are making progress on T boxes and T pad at Disc Golf. Receiving compliments on Disc Golf Course. There were several suggestions on names for Disc Golf.

C. **The Preserve Update** – Director Allen noted that a Vernal Pool Study is being looked into with possibly a grant.

D. **Discussion of Maynard Property Update**

Director Allen noted that he spoke with Ms. Costa, Zoning Enforcement Officer regarding the Maynard property.

E. **Any other Business regarding Programs, Facilities or Personnel**

Mr. Paradis reported on the following:

- Soccer season finishing;
- Halloween Trunk or Treat very successful;
- Indoor Soccer League; Sponsor Sharon Linder;
- Fall Booklet;
- Teen Center;
- Starlight Festival;
- 12-26 – 30<sup>th</sup> Vacation Camp 9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.
- Winter Booklet ready;

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### 9. Reports

#### A. Chairman's Report

Ms.. Esty reported that she went to the Town Meeting regarding the ARPA projects

#### B. Director's Report –

Director Allen handed out the FY-23 – 24 Budgets to the commission and noted that they will be ready for presentation to the Board of Finance end of January.

December meeting is Christmas Party. There will be a gift swap.

#### C. Liaison Reports –

Ms. Gatta discussed the after game night lights. They will meet again in the new year.

Ms. Esty thanked the commission and called for a motion to adjourn.

**MOTION** to adjourn at 7:22 p.m. made by Mr. Henderson, seconded by Ms. Reuckert was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerri Lewis, Clerk

**\*NEXT MEETING: January 11, 2023\***