

AGENDA

BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS MEETING

MAY 11, 2021 - 5:00 PM

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ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF APRIL 13, 2021 PARKS BOARD MEETING

PUBLIC SPEAKING FORUM:

Due to the public health emergency, public speaking will be by written testimony only**

Please submit written testimony to Ellen.Gerrity@bridgeportct.gov by 4:30 p.m. on Monday, May 10th***

OLD BUSINESS

1. Christy Duffy Acevedo, requests to obtain a park permit for the purpose of playing cricket at **Seaside Park**, in the area at the end of Barnum Boulevard.
2. Jose Pabon, Awaken Movement, 93 Park Terrace, Bridgeport, CT, requesting to hold a Live performance of music at the **Seaside Park Band Shell** on Saturday, July 3, 2021, from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. setup 5:00 p.m., cleanup 8:30 p.m.
3. Adam Safi, TAD Productions, LLC, 3535 Park Avenue, Bridgeport, CT, requesting to hold a concert at the **Seaside Park Band Shell** on Saturday, September 24, 2022, With set-up dates of September 22nd – 23rd, 2022, and break down and clean up on Sunday, September 25, 2022, Gates open @ 12:30pm | First Act @ 2:30pm | End @ 12:00AM

NEW BUSINESS

1. Pete Spain, 280 Grovers Avenue, Bridgeport, CT to speak about the **Preserve at St. Mary's-by-the-Sea**, 1.7-acre Bridgeport public park and its restoration.
2. Howard Saffan, Managing Member, Harbor Yard Amphitheater. LLC, requesting to speak to the Board in regard to hold a proposed Seaside Park Festival "Sound on the Sound Festival 2022 on Saturday, September 24, 2022 through Sunday, September 25, 2022 for the Sound on Sound Festival, and possibly a Country Festival the weekend of September 17, 2022 through September 18, 2022.

3. Scott Lipow | Founder & Director, Fairfield Fierce Basketball, requesting to construct a basketball dome in place of one of the soccer fields at the **Puglio Park** location.
4. Deborah A. Caviness, President, BPT-OIC, Inc., 510 Barnum Ave., #104, Bridgeport, CT requesting to hold the Juneteenth Parade and Festival on Saturday, June 19, 2021, at the **Seaside Band Shell**.
5. Drew Goldsman, AICP, *Urban Conservation Director*, The Nature Conservancy in Connecticut on behalf of the Seaside Wellness Trail Project Team, requesting to update the Park Commissioners on the **Seaside Wellness Trail**.
6. Khaled Elleithy, 703 State Street, Bridgeport, CT, requesting to hold a religious event (Speech, Prayer and refreshments at **Seaside Park** on either May 13th or 14th, 2021, from 6:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m., with approximately 500 people in attendance.
7. Gabriel Zayas, Pomperaug District Vice Chairman for Membership, Boy Scouts of America, Connecticut Yankee Council, requesting to speak to the Board to reserve the upper field of **Veterans Park** for a Cub Scout event. Events will include Bow and Arrow, Slingshot, Nature, Hiking, BB Gun Target, and other Scout skills on Saturday, June 5, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with a set-up time of 8:00 a.m. and take down by 6:00 p.m.
8. Davon Pratt, Yagga LLC, 1545 Boston Avenue, Bridgeport, CT, requesting to hold a Basketball Community Event at **Newfield Park** on Sunday, June 6, 2021, from 11:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m., with a setup time of 9:30 a.m.
9. Don Wilson, Bridgeport Youth Lacrosse, Inc., 56 Fairview Avenue, Bridgeport, CT requesting to pilot a "Concession Stand" at **Puglio Park** field in the existing Pavilion.

Also requesting to hold a kickoff event for their Peace Day Rally at **McLevy Park** on Monday, June 7, 2021, and to hold their Peace Day Rally at the **Seaside Park Band Shell** on Sunday, June 13, 2021.

10. David Daniels III, 325 Lafayette Street, Bridgeport, CT, Bridgeport Jazz Fest Partners, requesting to hold a Jazz Concert at **McLevy Park** on Saturday, August 28, 2021, from 12:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. with a set-up time of 10:00 a.m. and clean-up until 8:30 p.m.
11. Deborah Sims, requesting to paint a mural on the restroom exterior wall facing the basketball courts at **Newfield Park** on June 5, 2021 for Wear Weekend campaign to bring awareness to victims of gun violence. The mural will be painted on a removable board and placed on the wall.
12. Daniel Vieira, LivFree, 10 Buttercup Lane, Shelton, CT requests to hold his Baseball Tournament for Charity at **Seaside Park**, on Friday, September 24, Saturday, September 25, and Sunday, September 26, 2021 with a start time of 7:30 a.m. and end time of 9:00 p.m. They are requesting to use ball fields 1, 6, 7, 10, 11 & 14.
13. Heidi Vanderwal, requesting to hold the Stratfield Saturday Market at **Clinton Park** on Saturday's from June 9, 2021 until October 9, 2021, from 9:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. with a setup time of 8:00 a.m. and cleanup until 2:30 p.m.

14. Melva Riddick, Black Rock School, 545 Brewster Street, Bridgeport, CT, requesting to hold two school field days at **Ellsworth Park**, on June 4, 2021, rain date June 11, 2021 and June 7, 2021, rain date of June 14, 2021. Starting time 8:00 a.m./8:30 a.m. and ending at 2:30 p.m.
15. Efrain Colon, Puerto Rican Parade of Fairfield County Inc., 50 Harding Avenue, Stratford, CT, requesting to end the Puerto Rican Parade at the **Seaside Park's Casino Bathhouse**, on Sunday, July 11, 2021.
16. Patty Foster Newton, and Anthony Oakes, Coleman Brothers Inc., requesting to hold a Midway at the **Seaside Park Band Shell and area** (used by the Gathering of the Vibes), from Monday, June 28, 2021 through Sunday, July 11, 2021, with setup days of Monday and Tuesday, the Midway Carnival beginning on Wednesday and leaving on Sunday. Time: 6P – 11P
17. Delores Peace, Teacher, Hall School, 290 Clermont Avenue, Bridgeport, requesting to hold their School Fund Day/Picnic at **Success Park** on June 10, 2021, with a rain date of Friday, June 11, 2021, from 10:00 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.
18. Randy Young, requesting to hold a community outreach to give back to the community, at **McLevy Park** on Saturday, May 22, 2021, from 1:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. giving away hotdogs and hamburgers, will also have a DJ with small equipment, mentor/motivational speaker, little girl Bridgeport dance team, singer, and three comedians.
19. Diana Soares and Samantha Peck, Bridgeport Military Academy, 160 Iranistan Avenue, Bridgeport, CT, requesting to hold Field/Fun Day, at **Seaside Park**, on Friday, May 21, 2021, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
20. Charles Carroll, P.T. Barnum Foundation, Inc. Trustee Barnum Festival LLC and the P.T. Barnum Foundation Inc., requesting to hold a Golf Tournament at the **D. Fairchild Wheeler Golf Course** on Saturday, June 17, 2021, to benefit the Barnum Festival.

REPORTS

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

CRAIG A. NADRIZNY, ACTING PUBLIC FACILITIES DIRECTOR

ADJOURNMENT