

SPECIAL MEETING
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

MAY 18, 2022 - 5:30 PM

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ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF: **APRIL 12, 2022 (REGULAR MEETING)**

INTRODUCTION OF NEW PARKS BOARD COMMISSIONER, DENESE TAYLOR-MOYE (D)

PUBLIC SPEAKING FORUM: The public may call the office of Parks and Recreation at 203-576-7234 and speak with Tatiana Urena or email her at tatiana.urena@bridgeportct.gov to sign-up for Public Speaking.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Maria Pereira, Councilwoman 138th District, providing an update on the proposal to establish a Dog Park located at **Success Park** on behalf of constituents residing in the JFK Precinct and the Success Park neighborhood.
2. Deborah A. Caviness, Juneteenth of Fairfield County, providing an update on the details of the Juneteenth Parade at **Seaside Park – Bath House & Bandshell** on Saturday, June 11, 2022 for their annual Juneteenth Community Festival with approximately 4,500 people in attendance.
3. Ernest Brown, 77 Huntington Turnpike, Bridgeport, CT, providing an update on the Team Focus Summer Groove concert at **Seaside Park Band Shell** on Saturday, August 13, 2022 from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. with approximately 10,000 people in attendance.
4. Daniel Vieira, President, LivFree, providing an update on Diamond #1 during the 4th annual LivFree baseball tournament at **Seaside Park**. Also seeking approval of **Diamonds 6, 7, 10, 11, 14, 15** on Friday, September 30, 2022 from 3:00 p.m. to 10 p.m. and Saturday, October 1, 2022 to Sunday, October 2, 2022 from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
5. Don Wilson, BYLSA, providing an update on the pilot program of the “Concession Stand” at **Puglio Park** in the existing Pavilion, starting Monday, March 28 – Wednesday, November 23, 2022, with hours of operation of Monday through Friday – 3 p.m. – 7 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. – 7 p.m. and Sunday 12pm - 7pm.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Jon Urquidi, Department of Engineering, City of Bridgeport, requesting a motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) concept plan of the Rooster River Project at the **Fairchild Wheeler Golf Course**.
2. Michael Jankovsky, City Attorney's Office, City of Bridgeport, requesting a motion to approve the temporary easement for the Town of Trumbull WPCA to construct the realignment of the sanitary sewer force main that runs through **Beardsley Park**.
3. Alfredo Castillo, Councilman 136th District, requesting the use of **Seaside Park** on Saturday, June 25, 2022 from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. for the Bangladeshi American Association of CT - BBQ event with approximately 300 people in attendance.
4. Ganim Legal, P.C., 2370 Park Avenue, Bridgeport, CT, requesting to donate a new scoreboard, or repair the existing one at **Ellsworth Park** for the Black Rock Little League and surrounding community.
5. Kiante Brown, CEO of Ride-Away Rentals, requesting for an approval on a proposed business model for Family Bike Rentals at **Seaside Park** and **Beardsley Park** as a test pilot for April 2023.
6. Harry Trinidad, Salsa Warrior Radio, 15 Scuppo Road, Unit 301, Danbury, CT, requesting the use of **Seaside Park Bath House** to host a Salsa music and dance event every Sunday on 6/12/22, 6/26/22, 7/10/22, 7/24/22, 8/7/22, 8/21/22, 9/4/22, 9/25/22 with a start time at 1:00 p.m. and end time at 7:00 p.m. with approximately 100 people. **Note: 9/25/22 is the same weekend as the Sound-on-Sound event.*
7. Heide Vanderwal, Stratfield Saturday Market, 138 Westfield Avenue, Bridgeport, CT, requesting a Farmers Market at **Clinton Park** every Saturday beginning June 25, 2022 through October 1, 2022 with a start time of 9:30 a.m. and end time at 1:30 p.m.
8. Ruth Ortega & John Torres, Bridgeport Caribe Youth Leaders, 1067 Park Avenue, Bridgeport, CT, requesting to host a Community Outreach – Carnival Theme event (and to include Inflatables and a DJ on-site) at **Seaside Park Casino Bath House** on Saturday, June 18, 2022 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. with approximately 200 people in attendance.
9. Charles J. Dowd, Sacred Heart University, 5151 Park Avenue, Fairfield, CT, requesting a Fireworks Show to coincide with the kick-off of their Men's and Women's Basketball season at **Fairchild Wheeler Golf Course** on Friday, October 14, 2022 from 9:00 p.m. to 9:15 pm. with approximately 1,000 people in attendance.
10. Lauren Coakley Vincent, Bridgeport Downtown Special Services District (DSSD), 938 Broad Street, Bridgeport, CT, requesting the use of **McLevy Green Park** and closure of Bank Street for the 2022 Downtown Thursday Farmer's Market beginning July 7, 2022 – October 17, 2022. Start time at 10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. with approximately 500 people in attendance.
11. Richard E. Baldwin, 89 Cottage Street, Bridgeport, CT, requesting to host the Marina Village Annual Reunion at **Seaside Park** on Saturday, August 20, 2022 from 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. with a DJ on-site with approximately 150 people in attendance.

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12. Eleni Limberis, Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, 4070 Park Avenue, Bridgeport, CT, requesting the use of the **Veteran's Memorial Park** (Parking Area Only) for the Annual Greek Festival & Fair from Friday, June 3, 2022, thru Sunday, June 5, 2022 from 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. with approximately 500 to 1,000 people in attendance.
13. Holly Spain, Paradigm Broadcasting/Project Sunshine, 164 Meadowview Avenue, Stratford, CT, requesting a free Community Concert with food trucks at **Seaside Park Bandshell** on Saturday, June 18, 2022, from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. with approximately 25-50 people in attendance.
14. Pastor Gabrielle Beam, Rise to Read Inc., 248 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport, CT, requesting the use of **Washington Park** on the corner of Barnum Avenue and Noble Avenue for a Vacation Bible & Reading Literacy Camp for Children beginning Monday, July 25, 2022 through Saturday, July 30, 2022 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. with approximately 150 people in attendance.
15. Michael Jordan, Bernardy Buddy Jordan Foundation, 112 Lansing Street, Bridgeport, CT, requesting to host an Annual Community event at **Newfield Park** on Saturday, June 18, 2022, rain date Sunday, June 19, 2022 from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. with approximately 250 in attendance.
16. Dylan Gallup, Water Lantern Festival, Logan, Utah, requesting to host a Water Lantern Festival at **Seaside Park West Beach** on Saturday, October 15, 2022 from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and a seeking secondary approval date of Saturday, June 25, 2022 from 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. with approximately 2,000 people in attendance.
17. Roteesea Rogers, Precious Memories Early Childhood Learning Center, 1332 North Avenue, Bridgeport, CT, requesting the use of **Beardsley Park** for a Preschool Graduation on Saturday, June, 25, 2022 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. for an estimated 50 people in attendance and seeking approval to waive the park entrance fees.
18. Brandon T. Woods, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc, P.O. Box 1446, Bridgeport, CT, requesting the use of **Seaside Park West Beach** for a BBQ with a DJ on site on Saturday, June 11, 2022 from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. with approximately 100 people in attendance and seeking approval to waive the park entrance fees. Requesting a secondary location at **Clinton Park** if 1st request is denied.
19. Josue Cruz, Radio Ministry Fire of God, 355 Brook Street, Bridgeport, CT, requesting host a Community Outreach and Parade at **Nany Goat Park** on Saturday, June 25, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 pm with approximately 100 people in attendance.
20. Harold Dimbo, Project Longevity, 1000 Lafeyete Blvd. Bridgeport, CT, requesting to host a Stop the Violence Community & Police event at **Beardsley Park** on Saturday, June 25, 2022 from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. with approximately 75 people in attendance.
21. Harold Dimbo, Project Longevity, 1000 Lafeyete Blvd. Bridgeport, CT, requesting to host a Banquet for Sister's at the Shore event at **Seaside Park** on Friday, May 20, 2022 from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. with a DJ on-site with approximately 50 people in attendance.

REPORTS

Commissioner's Report

Director's Report – Craig A. Nadrizny, Acting Public Facilities Director

ADJOURNMENT