

**AGENDA**  
**BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS**  
**SEPTEMBER 13, 2022 – 5:00 PM**

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ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF: **AUGUST 9, 2022 (REGULAR MEETING)**

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](mailto:tatiana.urena@bridgeportct.gov) to sign-up for Public Speaking.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Shante Hanks, State of Connecticut Department of Housing, providing an update on the refinements of The Resilient Bridgeport Project. In addition, seeking approval to maintain the stormwater park upon completion of the Rebuild by Design project.
2. Christopher Caruso, Council of Italian-American Societies of Greater Bridgeport, CT, providing an update regarding the Christopher Columbus statue that was removed at **Seaside Park**.
3. Don Wilson, 56 Fairview Avenue, Bridgeport, CT, requesting to host a Bridgeport City-Wide Sports and Anti-Violence Festival a.k.a “Peace Week” on the following dates and locations:
  - a) **McLevy Green**: Saturday, June 3 – Sunday, June 4, 2023 from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. with over 150 people in attendance with food trucks, vendors, and a DJ-on site.
  - b) **Seaside Park (Bandshell) & to include Fields and Diamonds**: Saturday, June 10, 2023 (Juneteenth Parade & Festival) for sporting events beginning at 8:00 a.m.
  - c) **Seaside Park (Fields)**: Sunday, June 11, 2023 to host sporting tournaments starting at 8:00 a.m.
4. Beth Santa, 71 Old Post Road, Southport, CT, providing a progress report on the Seaside Gateway Trail at **Seaside Park**.
5. Beth Santa, 71 Old Post Road, Southport, CT, requesting the Parks Department’s approval to provide electrical support for the irrigation system in **Seaside Park** as part of the Seaside Gateway Trail.

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6. Rick Landau, Ash Creek Conservation Association, Inc., 20 Haddon Street, #3, Bridgeport, CT, requesting approval to continue enhancing the overall resiliency efforts of preserving the Ash Creek at **St. Mary's by the Sea**.
7. Scott Griffin, Cooperative Educational Services, 40 Lindeman Drive, Trumbull, CT, requesting to host a Run/Walk on Saturday, October 29, 2022 at **Seaside Park (West Beach)** from 7:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. for approximately 120 people in attendance.
8. David Martin, Garden Bros Circus, 2187 Siesta Drive, Sarasota, FL, requesting to host a Family Fun Circus event at **Seaside Park (Bandshell)** in 2023. Load-in on Monday, July 10, 2023; show dates: Thursday, July 13, 2023 thru Sunday, July 16, 2023 from 3:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. and a load-out on Monday, July 17, 2023 for approximately 500 people in attendance.
9. Tammie V. Smith, Praise Worthy Theater Group, 132 Richard Street, New Britain, CT, requesting to host a Vending Fundraising event for Praise Worthy Group on Saturday, October 1, 2022 at **McLevy Green** with approximately 25 vendors (including food) from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. for about 0-50 people.
10. Amanda Richards, 186 N State Street, Ansonia, CT, requesting to host a Community Outreach / Walk event for Mental Health Awareness on Saturday, October 15, 2022 at **McLevy Green** from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. for approximately 80-100 people.
11. Fernando A. Hernandez, 2 Grenelle Street, Bridgeport, CT, requesting to host a BBQ on Saturday, September 17, 2022 at **BJ Brown Park** from 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. with live music: DJ and band for approximately 100 people.
12. Grace Brangwynne, Ned for CT, 58 State Street, Hartford, CT, requesting to host a Rally for Ned Lamont on Saturday, October 22, 2022 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at **Beardsley Park** with approximately 300-500 people in attendance.

**REPORTS**

Commissioner's Report

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

**ADJOURNMENT**