



STATE OF CONNECTICUT – COUNTY OF TOLLAND  
INCORPORATED

# TOWN OF ELLINGTON

## Parks and Recreation Commission

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CYNTHIA COSTANZO  
KEVIN HAYES  
SHERRY KRAUS  
SHAY DRAKE  
CHRISTOPHER WEITZ  
CHERI MURPHY  
TARA KOZIK

GORDON OLIVER  
CHAIRMAN

Parks and Recreation Commission  
Regular Meeting August 9, 2023  
7:00 PM at 31 Arbor Way  
Zoom option available  
(see instructions to join below)

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Gordon Oliver, Cynthia Costanzo, Cheri Murphy, Shay Drake, Tara Kozik, Sherry Kraus, Christopher Weitz.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Dustin Huguenin, Director of Recreation

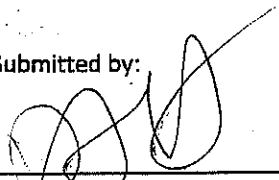
- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** Gordon Oliver called the meeting to order at 7:06PM.
- II. **CORRESPONDENCE:** None.
- III. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** May 31, 2023 special meeting  
MOVED (WEITZ) SECONDED (KRAUS) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE May 31, 2023 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES.
- IV. **PUBLIC FORUM:** None
- V. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:** None
- VI. **RECREATION DEPARTMENT REPORT:** Recreation Director Huguenin reported to the commission that the summer program season is ending, and he provided an update to the commission on a variety of upcoming projects including, outdoor fitness areas, parks master plans and athletic field lightning. He also informed the commission that the town's first Town Administrator will begin soon. Commission member Shay Drake inquired about the recent beach tree removal and Director Huguenin responded that the tree's had been hazardous for some time and this summer the Department of Public Works declared them a hazard and removed them. Discussion ensued about the need for shade and Director Huguenin replied that this will be an essential component of the upcoming master plan. Director Huguenin also mentioned concerns had arisen regarding tennis court usage and indicated this may be something the commission wants to investigate and create policy if necessary.
- VII. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
  - A. Finance: None
  - B. Maintenance: None
  - C. Operations: None
- VIII. **OLD BUSINESS**
  - A. Poulin Project: Director Huguenin reported that the rink is currently closed and awaiting repair.
  - B. Athletic Field Lighting Project: Commission member Cyndi Costanzo reported that the lights project should go out to bid this fall with a successful bidder chosen before the new year.
  - C. Master Plan: The final proposal should be received soon, and the commission expects to formulate a committee to assist in the planning process at the September meeting.
  - D. Disc Golf Course Project: The Department is still seeking potential locations for a disc golf course.

IX. NEW BUSINESS: None

X. ADJOURN

MOVED (WEITZ) SECONDED (KRAUS) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN AT 8:23PM.

Submitted by:



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Dustin Huguenin