

**CITY OF GROTON
BEACH & PARKS COMMITTEE
MINUTES
April 9, 2014**

Alfred Restivo called the meeting to order at 7:02PM.

Roll Call

Present: Alfred Restivo, Barbara Teehan, Kathleen Harrington, Karen Griswold, Gail Kelly, Scott Nadeau, Edith Williams, Linda Schneider and Mary Pratt

City Representatives: Recreation Director Mary K. Hill, Mayor Marian Galbraith, and Councilor Ilvento

Guests: Connie Fuisting, Shirleyann Dunbar-Rose, and David P. Rose

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the March 12, 2014 meeting were accepted as written.

Motion Moved by: Mary Pratt

Motion Seconded by: Gail Kelly

Approved: Barbara Teehan, Karen Griswold, Gail Kelly, Linda Schneider and Mary Pratt

Abstained: Kathleen Harrington

Correspondence

There was no written correspondence.

Shirleyann Dunbar-Rose of 75 Baker Avenue, Groton addressed the Committee with her concerns about opening up Eastern Point Beach to walk-ins at no cost for non City residential taxpayers.

David P. Rose of 75 Baker Avenue, Groton addressed the Committee with his concerns about opening up Eastern Point Beach to walk-ins at no cost for non City residential tax payers.

Monthly Reports

The March 2014 Recreation Director's report was approved as read.

Friends of the Zbierski House plan to meet April 16, 2014 at 5pm.

The Youth Advisory Council has not had a quorum at its last two scheduled meetings. A meeting is scheduled for April 17, 2014 and a quorum is expected.

Old Business

A. The ramp at the Zbierski House is currently under construction. Railings are expected to be installed in the middle of April.

B. The Freedom of Information workshop will be on Monday, April 21, 2014 at 5:30pm prior to the Committee of the Whole and the Council Meeting.

C. The Mayor and Council reviewed the Parks and Recreation Committee User Fees and Rules and Regulations for 2014 and requested that the Committee discuss and review the waiving of the \$5 walk-in fee.

A motion was made to revise the User Fees for Walk-ins as follows: Kids 17 and under – free; Residential City Taxpayers with ID – free; Non City Taxpayer Walk-ins - \$5; Residential City Taxpayers can purchase a walk in guest pass for up to 4 people - \$30

Motion Moved by: Kathleen Harrington

Motion Seconded by: Linda Schneider

Approved: Barbara Teehan, Karen Griswold, Scott Nadeau, Edith Williams, Linda Schneider and Mary Pratt

Opposed: Gail Kelly

A motion was made to replace item H of the Rules and Regulations as follows: Kids 17 and under – free; Residential City Taxpayers with ID – free; Non City Taxpayer Walk-ins - \$5; Residential City Taxpayers can purchase a walk in guest pass for up to 4 people - \$30.

Motion Moved by: Kathleen Harrington

Motion Seconded by: Mary Pratt

Approved: Barbara Teehan, Karen Griswold, Scott Nadeau, Edith Williams, Linda Schneider and Mary Pratt

Opposed: Gail Kelly

D. The Committee discussed the following items to be included in the Special Permit for the Zbierski House: Containers for the consumption of any beverage must be plastic or can – no glass; Limit the use of the Zbierski House during the beach season to Friday, Saturday, and Sunday after 6pm; Wine and beer to be the only alcoholic beverage used. User fees will be discussed at next month's meeting.

New Business

None

Any other business to come before this committee

Barbara Teehan commended Mary Hill and Valerie Koschmieder for their work on the new brochure that was sent to residents.

The Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, April 19, 2014. A local Boy Scout troop will help fill the eggs and volunteers will disperse the eggs.

Opening Day of Little League and Earth Day cleanup at Washington Park will be on Saturday, April 26, 2014.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:58PM

Motion Moved by: Gail Kelly

Motion Seconded by: Linda Schneider

Approved: Barbara Teehan, Kathleen Harrington, Karen Griswold, Gail Kelly, Scott Nadeau, Edith Williams, Linda Schneider, and Mary Pratt

**Respectfully submitted,
Karen Griswold
Secretary**