

**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
AGENDA  
OCTOBER 21, 2013  
7:00 P.M.  
Long Hill Conference Room  
Town Hall**

Call to order

Public Comments  
Sports Groups  
St..Joseph High School  
Pop Warner

Acceptance of Minutes

Correspondence  
Trumbull Nature Commission

Old Business

New Business

Budget Review

Park Assignments/Committee Reports

Superintendent's Report

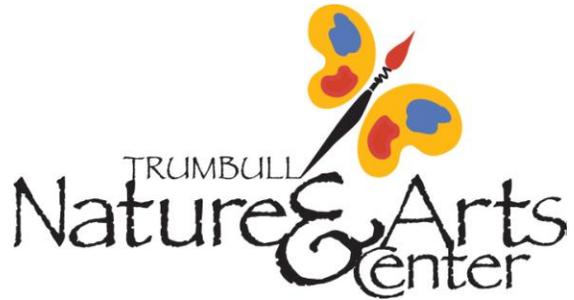
Recreation Director's Report

Any other business which might rightly come before this Commission

Adjournment

**IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND,**

**PLEASE CONTACT CLERK AT (203) 261-0129**



October 4, 2013

The Trumbull Parks and Recreation Commission  
Attn: Mr. Bob Ferrigno, Chairman

Dear Commissioners:

Thank you for allowing us to offer our presentation at your Commission meeting on September 16.

As we indicated during the meeting, the Patrons of the TNAC believe that eventual relocation of the Trumbull Nature and Arts Center into Old Mine Park would provide numerous benefits to the community, including:

- Provide greater educational opportunities for Trumbull students in a more diverse ecosystem.
- Serve as a gateway to the rail trail and parks.
- Provide a cultural destination for area residents.
- Combine multiple buildings at separate locations (Nature Center, Ranger Station, restrooms) into a single building at Old Mine Park, thereby improving efficiency and saving money.
- Provide landscaping improvements to the area near the upper pavilion in Old Mine Park. (Currently, this area experiences significant erosion and poor drainage during winter and spring months and during periods of heavy rainfall.)
- Encourage volunteer efforts in trash removal, native plantings and invasive species removal in Old Mine Park.
- Encourage the protection and appreciation of natural resources in the parks.

We envision that the relocation effort will take several years to complete. An important initial step in this effort will be the negotiation of a land use and service agreement between the Town and the Patrons of the TNAC. (The Patrons of the TNAC is a federally-recognized 501(c)3 corporation and charitable organization.) This agreement will be negotiated by various parties, including the Patrons of the TNAC and the Parks and Recreation Commission, among others. Topics for discussion will include architectural and construction plans, maintenance of the building and grounds, a traffic study, ensuring that funding is secure prior to construction and any other issues of concern.

At this current point in time, we simply need a resolution from your Commission that the relocation of the Trumbull Nature and Arts Center to Old Mine Park is possible. Once that potentiality is approved, we can begin the negotiation process to work out the details of the land use / service agreement in a satisfactory manner to all parties.

Thank you once again for your consideration of our request. We appreciate your time and are grateful for your support.

Sincerely,

Kevin S. Malone  
President, Patrons of the TNAC, Inc.