

AGENDA
Trumbull Parks and Recreation Commission
Regular Meeting
Monday, October 19, 2020
7:30 p.m., via Zoom

Join the meeting online:

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Call to Order

Public Comment*

*There will be no live Public Comment session. To submit a comment or question, please email the clerk at lshiel@trumbull-ct.gov **no later than 4:00 p.m.** on Monday, October 19. Please be sure to include your full name and address for the record.

Acceptance of Minutes

Correspondence

Old Business

New Business

- Field User Group Status, Trumbull Travel Baseball
- Indian Ledge Amphitheater Permit Request: One Love, LLC

Park Assignments/Committee Reports

Superintendent's Report

Division Reports

- Park Rangers
- Recreation

Any other business that may rightly come before this Commission

Adjournment

Laura Shiel

From: Kevin Bellows <kbellows@msn.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 24, 2020 4:59 PM
To: bill and/or nancy walsh; Ken Martin; halligan96@gmail.com; Jon O'Brien; Mike Travisano; billbrown1775@sbcglobal.net; Edward Ritacco; Laura Shiel; parisd@trumbull-ct.gov
Subject: Fw: Twin Brooks Park Safety

FYI

From: Ira <buckwiz@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 24, 2020 12:15 PM
To: recreation@trumbull-ct.gov <recreation@trumbull-ct.gov>
Cc: kbellows@msn.com <kbellows@msn.com>
Subject: Twin Brooks Park Safety

Yesterday my wife and I had somewhat disastrous experience during what we had expected would be a leisurely stroll through Twin Brooks Park. While walking along the pedestrian path that runs parallel to Twin Brooks Drive, we were overtaken by three youngsters approximately eleven years old, riding junior size All-terrain Bicycles without any warning of their rapid approach. Since the path is relatively narrow at that point, they all came within a few inches of us, without masks. As we rapidly moved off of the path to avoid being struck, I sprained my ankle. If not for the Pandemic, I would certainly be seeking medical attention today. Many vulnerable people, both young children and the elderly walk along these paths. Unless something is done to curb the irresponsible behavior of cyclists who have no regard for the safety of the pedestrians who use these paths, it is inevitable that one or more of them will encounter serious injury. Please note that we have encountered other cyclists on these paths, typically older, who are respectful of the safety of pedestrians.

Superintendent of Parks & Recreation Report

October 19th 2020

September has provided our Department some much needed opportunities to get into the major Prks system to do work that should have been started in April.

Simple clean up and maintenance on all our plantings and gateways that has been pushed to the side for months finally is getting some much need attention.

If there is a positive outcome to Storm Isisas, it has come in the form of the ground mulch that we have been able to produce in the process of disposing of totality of its debris. The hardwood will be used for decorative areas and the brush which will decompose fairly rapidly will be incorporated into some of our soil reserves to fortify them with greater organics properties.

All of the Restrooms slated for interior painting have been completed and the last of the floor upgrades to our Restrooms are anticipated to be done by months end.

All of the damaged water mains have been repaired and the disturbed areas re-landscaped.

Significant grub activity and damage at upper Indian Ledge Softball and other areas to lesser degrees around Town. Will be doing applications next year after repairs are complete

Starting Irrigation Winterization

An operational agreement has been reached with the BoE Union allowing for our official ability to maintain Hillcrest Pool, BoE personnel will take instruction from us directly and our staff may work on the pool unobstructed. Hillcrest pool is facing some critical repairs in the coming months and we will be coordinating this effort as well.

We have set in motion Swim Lessons on Sundays through the Recreation division starting next month. We have had much interest in them all year and we are excited to be able to make the offering once again.

We also have some end of year recreational activities like Intensive training and Karate happening while the weather is still conducive. We have had no further communication with the BoE for the possibility of utilizing any interior space.

We are reconfiguring Nothnagle field in order to accommodate baseballs increasing request for practice space. By enlarging the skinned area it will allow for multipurpose use from all our current user groups as well as expanding its usability.

Lastly an update on some of our Bridge projects: The Vietnam Memorial Bridge has finally started and is coming together well. If weather is cooperative the structural elements should be complete this year....but that may be a little overly optimistic.

Unfortunately the deterioration of the Great Oak Park Boardwalk has gotten to the point that we have had to shut it down for safety sake. We had hoped to do incremental repairs to it for months but Pressure Treated materials were very difficult to obtain and were costing a premium. The Boardwalk is very popular and we receive inquiries looking for updates often. We will revisit this work in the New Year



Town of Trumbull
Parks and Recreation
Ranger Division

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Ranger Division September 2020 Report

Commissioners,

This report is a summary of the Ranger Division activities for the month of September 2020. During this month the Rangers Division continued to meet the challenges with a Phase 2 opening occurring which contributed with an increase in Sports activities, several special events, and activity in the parks and Rails 2 Trails System.

During this month, Rangers patrolled the parks addressing issues, maintained signage and responded to calls for service. There were 53 written reports in September and consisted of littering/dumping, medical and conduct issues.

During this month, 201 parking violations and 13 written warnings were issued for a variety of issues, the majority being stickers.

Rangers continue to check fields and enforcing the field use policy where several issues were discovered and resolved.

Rangers also provided coverage at several large events at Indian Ledge and the Town Green. These events included the Greater Bridgeport Symphony Orchestra, Comedy event at Indian Ledge and a Comedy Event at the Town Hall Green. At all these events the rangers provided parking and other services. It should be noted that the Rangers at these events should be commended for the duties they performed.

Respectfully Submitted
Steven Chapman
Chief Park Ranger