10-19-26 Meeting Minutes
Trumbull Parks and Recreation Commission
Long Hill Room, Town Hall
Regular Meeting - Monday, October 19, 2026

Present: Kevin Bellows – Chairman, Nancy Walsh, Rodney Arganese, Bruce Pine, Debra Kroszner, Art Bradshaw
Absent: Mike Travisano, Steve Gardiner
Also Present: Abigail Relkin – Clerk, Erica Pivor – Parks & Recreation Office

Call to Order at 7:04 PM

Public Comment

Motion to approve addition to Public Comment.
Motion by J. O'Brien, 2nd by B. Pine, Unanimous Vote

1. Rodney A., Glenbrook Road – TYL Lacrosse Tournament – Trumbull Youth Lacrosse (TYL) for Saturday November 21 (or a November 27 Rain date) for a 3v3 tournament. Looking to use MacDougal Stadium. LIVFree did this event last year with us. We have gotten all required signatures and completed the field use form (based on availability). Looking at 150 – 200 people. This is a free event but asking anyone participating to sign up and bring canned goods to bring to a local food bank. If we can, we'd like to have a food truck.

    Question: A. Bradshaw – will there be any involvement from out of towners?

    Response: This will be only TYL.

    Response: K. Bellows – As long as the food truck gets the required certificates from the town (health department), that should be fine.

Motion to return to the regular meeting.
Motion by D. Kroszner, 2nd by J. O'Brien, Unanimous Vote

Acceptance of Minutes

Motion to approve the September minutes.
Motion by A. Bradshaw, 2nd by J. O'Brien, Unanimous Vote

Correspondence – None

Old Business

1. **Notre Dame baseball field – B. Pine**
   Comment: K. Bellows - Notre Dame is ready to start adjustments to make the field, but there were members of the Town Council looking for more information. There was a meeting on Friday afternoon with those town council members.
      Response: E. Pivor – George presented changes that the town was asking of to Notre Dame. The school approved all changes that were presented from the town.
         Question: R. Arganese – Do we know what the requests were?
            Response: I do not have the specific change requests.
   Comment: K. Bellows – D. Paris noted that the field would also be used by Trumbull during the season, not just Notre Dame. He also mentioned that if the field is approved, it would not be ready by the spring season.

2. **Trumbull United Tournament (Columbus Day Weekend)**
   Comment: R. Arganese – I did see a lot of people playing soccer that weekend. I saw signage for the Connecticut Rush.

3. **Old Dyke Road & Beaches Pool**
   Comment: K. Bellows – The changes are in the hands of the engineer, and DPW. There will need to be a plan before it can go out to bid.

4. **Parks Signage**
   Comment: K. Bellows – Send an email to D. Paris about the signage for removing litter from the parks.
      Response: D. Kroszner – Island Brook has a big litter problem.
      Comment: B. Pine – There may still be old signs at DPW.

New Business

1. **Lacrosse Tournament – November 21**

Motion to approve the Trumbull Youth Lacrosse Tournament on November 21 (rain date November 27) subject to field availability based on the Parks and Recreation calendar.
Motion by N. Walsh, 2nd by A. Bradshaw, Unanimous Vote

2. **Little League Turf Fields**
   Comment: K. Bellows - Representative Rutigliano had put in a grant for new turf fields but there was nothing done about the specs of the fields. This recently came up and there is a possibility we will get a turf field (field 4) at Unity for little league, softball, and baseball.
      Comment: E. Pivor – They got the green light about 10 days ago and will be sending out the bid. The field *could* be finished by Spring 2027.

3. **Open Gym**
   Comment from Report: "Open Gym has started; we had very low enrollment for the first session. Feedback is that November/December should pick up as fall sports will be over."
      Comment: K. Bellows – We were told there were a few hours at Tashua.
         Response: D. Kroszner – We had to call to register, but we were not aware of that. It is possible that only a few people knew about this. There is a cost per month, and you can sign up for times based on the child's age. I think once it is colder more people will be doing it. There was a Parks and Recreation representative. Personally, I paid $18 for a month block (1.5 hours a night).
      Question: K. Bellows – The people coming to petition the added timing for open gym were young adults and adults. Are there times for this age group?
         Response: D. Kroszner – I think there was a spot for high school age kids.
      Question: B. Pine – Have they hired a basketball coordinator?
         Response: K. Bellows – Based on Noreen's report, no one has been hired yet.

Superintendent's Report – Emailed Out

Division Reports:

Recreation – E. Pivor

Comment: Wanted to come to the meeting to meet the commission and get to share a bit of what I do for the department. A lot of my time is spent in the community, talking to citizens, and getting feedback about the different events. I coordinate concerts over the summer, coordinate the farmers market, Trumbull Kids Triathlon,

hosted our first ever Dog Day at Unity Park (in partnership with the Trumbull Animal Group (TAG). The Pumpkin Fest is this coming Sunday (another free event) at the town gazebo. The season will end at the Tree Lighting on December 4th. There is a new program called, "The Winter Collective" – an instructor comes each week to teach new hands-on activity (Tuesday nights, 7:00 – 8:30) will be held again this year. The last two summers we have partnered with Christian Heritage, and we are able to use their facilities for rain dates for the concerts.

Motion to adjourn.
Motion by D. Kroszner, 2nd by A. Bradshaw, Unanimous Vote

Adjournment at 8:04 PM