

**CITY OF MIDDLETOWN**  
**Recreation & Community Services Department**  
**61 Durant Terrace**  
**Middletown, Connecticut 06457**

**MINUTES**

**Recreation & Community Services Commission Meeting of September 10, 2015**  
**Senior and Community Center, 61 Durant Terrace, Middletown, CT 06457**  
**6:00 p.m.**

**Present:** Philip Pessina, Jerry Winzer, William Wasch, Ed Dypa, Anthony Jaskot, David Bauer, Rick Romano, Mary Bartolotta

**Absent:** Tom Hutton, Lucy Bettencourt, Sal Uccello

**Staff**  
**& Students:** Deb Stanley

**Public:** none

**Call:** Meeting was called to order at 6:08 pm.

**Public**  
**Hearing:** None

**Minutes:** Jerry Winzer moved to accept the Minutes from the June 11, 2015 meeting, seconded by Ed Dypa and unanimously accepted

**Report:** Debbie Stanley spoke about outdoor movie night and that Apple Rehab and Metro Movies sponsored refreshments. The pool and the lake closed on August 21. There were two days that the lake was closed due to high bacteria counts. She discussed summer camps and bussing. The Recreation Department is producing three brochures annually with most viewing online. Senior actives participation is increasing. There have been a few issues with the lunch program that need to be resolved.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- **Sports Grant Funding** – There was much discussion regarding the balance of \$8,900 and how it might be used to supplement winter/spring sports, new families, ensuring that no child is turned away from participating due to financial hardship, or supplementing the cost of equipment storage for teams/programs. There was further discussion on what would qualify as acceptable spending outside of the grants that were distributed. David Bauer suggested a subcommittee to help streamline the process for groups to apply for grant funding for the coming year. Rick Romano, Mary Bartolotta, Gerry Winzer, Ed Dypa and Phil Pessina expressed interest in being on this subcommittee.
- **Facility usage agreements and fees** - The Common Council has reviewed and approved the documents for usage.
- **Status of City playing fields** – There was no discussion on this topic
- **League Equipment and Storage**- There was discussion on making necessary changes and improvement to the Remington Rand building to make it safer and organized to suit the needs of each team/sport. Dean Lisitano will inspect the building and make recommendations. There were concerns about stairs, lighting, and humidity causing damage to equipment. Safety and security were also discussed.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- The new fall brochure is available for the Recreation Division

**Motion: Commissioner Dypa motioned to adjourn. Winzer moved the motion. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.**