

**CITY OF NORWALK
RECREATION, PARKS AND
CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
PUBLIC HEARING: DEPARTMENT FEES AND CHARGES FY 2017/2018
MARCH 8, 2017**

ATTENDANCE: Travis Simms, Chair; Michael Corsello; John Kydes;
Shannon O'Toole Giandurco; Steven Serasis (6:53 p.m.)

STAFF: Michael Mocciaie, Director

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Mr. Simms opened the public hearing at 6:49 p.m.

Mr. Serasis joined the meeting at 6:53 p.m.

There were no members of the public present and he closed the public hearing at 7:00 p.m.

I. ROLL CALL

Mr. Simms called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and called the Roll. A quorum was present.

II. MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 8, 2017

- ** MS. O'TOOLE GIANDURCO MOVED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED
- ** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present this evening who wished to speak.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

- ** MR. KYDES MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:
 - 1. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ACHILLES INTERNATIONAL (501C3) TO USE SHADY BEACH FOR THE LIGHTHOUSE TO LIGHTHOUSE RACE TO BE

**HELD SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2017 FROM 9:30 AM – 4:30 PM.
SET UP TO TAKE PLACE ON 6:00 AM WITH TEAR DOWN NO LATER
THAN 5:00 PM ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2017.
ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE 250.**

**2. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO ENTER INTO
AN AGREEMENT WITH ACHILLES INTERNATIONAL (501C3) TO
USE SHADY BEACH FOR THE LIGHTHOUSE TO LIGHTHOUSE
RACE TO BE HELD SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2017 FROM 9:30 AM –
4:30 PM. SET UP TO TAKE PLACE ON 8:30 AM WITH TEAR DOWN
NO LATER THAN 5:00 PM ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2017.
ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE 150.**

A representative was present and explained that this fundraiser has been taking place for around 20 years.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

Mr. Simms asked the representative to attend the March 14th meeting of the Common Council.

V. NEW BUSINESS

**** MS. O'TOOLE GIANDURCO MOVED TO APPROVE THE
FOLLOWING ITEM:**

**3. APPROVE THE USE OF CRANBURY PARK GALLAHER MANSION
AND IMMEDIATE SURROUNDING GROUNDS BY VINCENT
ALTAMIRANO AND CRYSTAL PARKS FOR A WEDDING TO BE
HELD SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2018 FROM 3:00 PM – 10:00 PM.
ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE 120-150.**

Mr. Altamirano was present.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**** MR. SERASIS MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ITEM:**

**2. APPROVE THE USE OF CRANBURY PARK GALLAHER MANSION,
TEA HOUSE AREA AND IMMEDIATE SURROUNDING GROUNDS BY
CAITLIN MOSELEY AND JOSEPH LAFFERTY FOR A WEDDING TO
BE HELD SATURDAY, JUNE 24, 2017 FROM 2:00 PM – 11:00 PM.
ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE 110.**

Ms. Moseley and Mr. Lafferty were present.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**** MR. CORSELLO MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ITEM:**

1. APPROVE THE USE OF THE NATHANIEL ELI FIELD BY CILHEMA L'MINGGIO FOR A FAMILY FUN DAY TO BE HELD SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, 2017 FROM 1:00 PM – 8:00 PM. SET UP TO TAKE PLACE SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, 2017 AT 11:00 AM WITH TEAR DOWN NO LATER THAN 9:00 PM ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, 2017. ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE 100.

Mr. L'Minggio was present. He said that this is their third year holding this event. It was successful in the past.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**** MR. KYDES MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ITEM:**

4. APPROVE THE USE OF THE CRANBURY PARK PAVILION 1 AND IMMEDIATE SURROUNDING GROUNDS BY DEILY CHILIN FOR A BABY SHOWER TO BE HELD SATURDAY, MAY 20, 2017 FROM 9:00 AM –4:00 PM. ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE 149.

Ms. Chilin was present.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**** MR. CORSELLO MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ITEM:**

5. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH NINETY 9 BOTTLES FOR THE USE OF OYSTER SHELL PARK FOR THE “NINETY 9 BOTTLES CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL” TO BE HELD SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 2017 FROM 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM, WITH A RAIN DATE OF SUNDAY, JUNE 4, 2017. SET UP TO TAKE PLACE SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 2017 AT 9:00 A. M. WITH TEAR DOWN NO LATER THAN 7:00 P.M. ON SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 2017. ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE 1,000.

A representative was present. He said this will be their fourth year holding this event. They donate their profits to charity each year. He described the event and the costs and said that they provide free water and snacks for their guests. In addition, they provide free Uber at their expense for new users and the Parking Authority is providing free parking at the Maritime garage.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

Mr. Simms asked the representative to attend the March 14th meeting of the Common Council.

**** MS. O'TOOLE GIANDURCO MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ITEM:**

6. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH TEAM MOSSMAN EVENTS TO USE CALF PASTURE BEACH FOR THE "MOSSMAN SPRINT TRIATHLON" TO BE HELD SUNDAY, JULY 16, 2017 FROM 6:30 AM – 11:00 AM. SET UP TO TAKE PLACE SATURDAY, JULY 15, 2017 AT 10:00 AM WITH TEAR DOWN NO LATER THAN 5:00 PM SUNDAY, JULY 16, 2017. ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE 400.

A representative was present and said that this is their 15th year her. It is a swim, bike, run event. They donate their proceeds to local church groups. Mr. Serasis noted that this is a very well run event.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

Mr. Simms asked the representative to attend the March 14th meeting of the Common Council.

7. APPROVE THE 2017 – 2018 DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS FACILITY USAGE AND PARK FEES.

Mr. Mocciae reviewed the proposed fees. Mr. Simms said that during the summer holidays Norwalk residents have expressed concerns about overcrowding and parking at the beach. Mr. Kydes agreed and added that non-residents need to pay more. He said that residents finds it less enjoyable when the Beach and Cranbury Park are crowded. Mr. Corsello said that supply and demand controls the prices.

Mr. Kydes suggested fee increases for non-residents. A discussion ensued and the Committee members agreed with the fee increases proposed by Mr. Kydes.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**** MR. SIMMS MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES TO ADD AN ITEM THE AGENDA**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**** MR. SIMMS MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ITEM:**

AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, HARRY W. RILLING TO ACCEPT FUNDING AND SIGN ALL DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATING EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH THE VETERANS PARK PUMP OUT STATION UNDER THE FEDERAL CLEAN VESSEL ACT. THE CONTRACT IS BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORWALK AND THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION. THE CONTRACT IS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,352.83 EFFECTIVE JANUARY 2017 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2017. THE STATE FUNDS 75% OF OUR OPERATING EXPENSES

Mr. Mocciae explained that this is the 15th year. He apologized for the addendum; however, the document was lost in the building and just arrived.

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

VI. DISCUSSION

There was no further discussion.

**** MR. SERASIS MOVED TO ADJOURN**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

The meeting was unanimously adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Rosemarie Lombardi
Telesco Secretarial Services