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Salem Parks and Recreation Commission
Minutes of Meeting

Date and Time: Tuesday August 16, 2022, at 6:45 p.m.
Location: Via Zoom

Members Present: Chair, Amy Everett, Deborah Amaral, Bob Callahan,
James Shea, Johnel Roberts

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Patricia O'Brien

Clerk: Eileen Sacco

Meeting Called to Order

Amy Everitt called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. and reads legal notice as follows:

Notice: Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020, Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §20 and the Governor's March 15, 2020, Order imposing strict limitation on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Park and Recreation Commission will be conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible. Specific information and the general guidelines for remote participation by members of the public and/or parties with a right and/or requirement to attend this meeting can be found on the city's website, at www.salem.com.

Approval of Minutes

The approval of the minutes was postponed this evening.

Request of Salem High School to Hold a Back to School Fair at Palmer Cove on August 25 (rain date 26th) from 5:30-7:30 – Laura Assade

Laura Assade addressed the Commission and stated that this event is intended to be a celebration of being back to school

Bob Callahan stated that he felt that this is a great event for the students. He questioned if there would be amplification at the event. Ms. Assade stated that they are having it and they are working with Trisha O'Brien on the appropriate noise levels.

There being no further questions or comments regarding this matter Bob Callahan moved to approve the use of Palmer Cove for the Salem High School Back to School Fair on August 25th with a rain date of August 26th. James Shea seconded the motion.

Amy Everitt called for a roll call vote as follows:

Bob Callahan	Yes
James Shea	Yes
Debbie Amaral	Yes
Johnel Roberts	Yes
Amy Everitt	Yes

The motion carried (5-0)

Request of Salem High School to use Palmer Cove Park on August 21, 2022 for a Family Barbeque and Games – Andrew Bub Salem High School

Mr. Bub addressed the Commission and stated that they are requested to use Palmer Cove Park for a Family Barbeque and games for students returning to school in September.

James Shea stated that he thinks that this is a great idea for the student and wished them a successful event

There being no further questions or comments regarding this matter Bob Callahan moved to approve the use of Palmer Cove for the Salem High School Back to School Fair on August 25th with a rain date of August 26th. James Shea seconded the motion.

Amy Everitt called for a roll call vote as follows:

Bob Callahan	Yes
James Shea	Yes
Debbie Amaral	Yes
Johnel Roberts	Yes
Amy Everitt	Yes

The motion carried (5-0)

There being no further questions or comments regarding this matter Bob Callahan moved to approve the use of Palmer Cove for the Salem High School Back to School Fair on August 25th with a rain date of August 26th. James Shea seconded the motion.

Amy Everitt called for a roll call vote as follows:

Bob Callahan	Yes
James Shea	Yes
Debbie Amaral	Yes
Johnel Roberts	Yes
Amy Everitt	Yes

The motion carried (5-0)

Request of the Salem Athenaeum for the use of the Salem Common on September 9, 2022 for Barks and Books – Carolyn McGuire

Ms. McGuire addressed the Commission and stated that this event will feature two authors and is sponsored by Jenna Blume of the Copper Dog and New England Dog Biscuits.

Ms. Amaral explained that any vendors selling goods requires a permit at a cost of \$25.00. She suggested that work with Trisha O'Brien on the Vendors that may need to pay a fee.

There being no further questions or comments regarding this matter Bob Callahan moved to approve the use of Salem Common for the Salem Athenaeum for Bark and Books on September 9, 2022. James Shea seconded the motion.

Amy Everitt called for a roll call vote as follows:

Bob Callahan	Yes
James Shea	Yes
Debbie Amaral	Yes
Johnel Roberts	Yes
Amy Everitt	Yes

The motion carried (5-0)

Request for a Permit to Use the Salem Willows Gazebo for a Birthday Party on August 27, 2022 – Kelly Tongo

Kelly Tongo addressed the Commission and explained that she is requesting a permit for the Salem Willows Gazebo for a birthday party for her daughter. She stated that it will be family and friends. She stated that they would use a blue tooth speaker for music.

There being no further questions or comments regarding this matter Bob Callahan moved to approve the use of Salem Common for the Salem Athenaeum for Bark and Books on September 9, 2022. James Shea seconded the motion.

Amy Everitt called for a roll call vote as follows:

Bob Callahan	Yes
James Shea	Yes
Debbie Amaral	Yes
Johnel Roberts	Yes
Amy Everitt	Yes

The motion carried (5-0)

Request for a Permit for the Use of the Salem Willows Shell for a Music Festival on September 8, 2022 – Mass Bay Colony Brewers DBA East Regimen Brewery

A representative of Mass Bay addressed the Commission and reported that this is a benefit for Fisher House in Boston and noted that they provide assistance for veterans and their families. He stated that they would be setting up at 10:00 – 12:00 p.m. He noted that they will have music from 12-8 p.m. He also noted that he will be getting a one-day liquor license noting that are planning for a gated beer garden. He also stated that they would have about 20 vendors

Scott Perry was asked how many people that they expect to attend the event. It was estimated that there would be about 500 people attending. He also explained that the beer tent would be by admission and a donation to Fisher House and Fisher House would be passing a canister during the event.

Bob Callahan noted that Sunday night is a school night so 8:00 p.m. is a hard stop for music. The Commission discussed Mr. Callahan's suggestion and it was suggested that music be allowed from 11 – 7. The representative agreed to that.

There being no further questions or comments regarding this matter Bob Callahan moved to approve the use of the Salem Willows Shell for a Music Festival on September 8, 2022. James Shea seconded the motion.

Amy Everitt called for a roll call vote as follows:

Bob Callahan	Yes
James Shea	Yes
Debbie Amaral	Yes
Johnel Roberts	Yes
Amy Everitt	Yes

The motion carried (5-0)

There being no further business to come before the Salem Park and Recreation Commission this evening, Bob Callahan moved to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Eileen Sacco
Clerk