

Town of Hamden
Town Center Park Commission
Minutes of a Special Meeting
Thursday, July 22nd, 2021
4:45 pm

Minutes

- 1. Call To Order:** Chairman Fitch called the meeting to order at 4:50 pm.
- 2. Attendance**
 - a. In Attendance:** Matthew Fitch, Chairman; Victor Mitchell; Gerry Tobin; Jessica Hazan
 - b. Absent:** Mike D'Andrea
 - c. Also In Attendance:** Patrick Donnelly, Mayor's Administration; Liana Paglia, Commission Clerk
- 3. Approval of Past Minutes:** June 24th, 2021
 - a. Ms. Hazan made a motion to approve the minutes from the special meeting, which took place on June 24th, 2021. Ms. Tobin seconded the motion, and all were in favor.
- 4. Chairman's Report**
 - a. Chairman Fitch reported that the Arts Department is spearheading a smaller-scale concert series in August. As the contracts have not been finalized, the list of performers cannot be released yet.
- 5. Old Business- N/A**
- 6. New Business**
 - a. Appointment of Ad Hoc Commission for Rotary Plaza
 - i. Chairman Fitch noted that the paved TCP park entrance project is moving forward. There was a brief discussion regarding the logistics of the pavers, which were recently approved, the stone dust pathway, and the addition of two benches. Lastly, he acknowledged the need to fundraise.
 - b. Event Approval for 9/12/21
 - i. The application for the event had not yet been submitted to the Parks and Recreation Department. Therefore, Chairman Fitch requested a vote to authorize Mr. Donnelly to approve the event in the commission's place, when the application is eventually submitted. Mr. Mitchell made a motion to vote on Mr. Donnelly's authorization. All commissioners present voted yay.
 - c. Food Truck Festival Update- Patrick Donnelly
 - i. Mr. Donnelly explained that there is a desire to mold the Food Truck Festival into a Harvest Festival. This event would be a combination of a farmer's market (local vendors) and a food truck festival. He briefly listed some of the 20-28 food trucks that have already committed. He explained that each vendor must pay a \$25 day fee to attend. He is optimistic about the event turnout.
- 7. Adjournment:** At 5:03 pm, Chairman Fitch requested a motion to adjourn. Ms. Hazan made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Mr. Mitchell.

Submitted by: Liana Paglia, Commission Clerk