TOWN OF BOLTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN FACILITIES AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, May 3, 2022 – 9:00 a.m. Call-In Number: 1-929-205-6099 Meeting ID: 834 0946 7056

- 1. Call to Order.
- 2. Discuss Indian Notch Park Fees.
- 3. Discuss Cemetery Fees.
- 4. Discuss Herrick Park Rental Fees.
- 5. Discuss Seasonal and Day Sticker for Trash/Recycle Center.
- 6. Cemetery Sign Update.
- 7. Adjourn.

Indian Notch Fees

Indian Notch:

- The gate fee and season pass fees for Indian Notch have been the same for many years, and with mimum wage rising and unforeseen circumstances over the last few years, we have lost quite a bit of money from the lake.
- Our season passes allow up to 2 license plates- 2 cars
- I originally just raised the fees In my budget, but I have instead come up with a few different options
- Two options:

Current Rates	Resident	Non-Resident
Season Pass	\$35	\$75
Senior Citizen (60+)	\$10	\$75
Daily per car weekday	\$3	\$5
Daily per car weekend/holiday	\$5	\$15

Option 1- Raise all fees	Resident	Non-Resident
Season Pass	\$40	\$80
Senior Citizen (60+)	\$15	\$80
Daily per car weekday	\$5	\$7
Daily per car weekend/holiday	\$7	\$20

Option 2- Raise Just non- resident	Resident	Non-Resident
Season Pass	\$35	\$100
Senior Citizen (60+)	\$10	\$100
Daily per car weekday	\$3	\$10
Daily per car weekend/holiday	\$5	\$20

For reference:

- o Columbia town beach: pay per person, not per car
 - Residents pay \$25-\$35 for a season pass per person, pay \$5 for a day pass, family max of \$120
 - Non-residents pay \$200-\$300 for a season pass, no daily passes
- o Coventry town beach:
 - Residents pay \$25 for a car, \$12 for a second car for season pass, daily pass is \$5
 - Nonresidents do not get season pass, but pay \$15 for a weekday pass and \$30 for a weekend

My opinion:

- If we keep resident fees the same, and raise the non-resident fees, we are able to hopefully make money or at least break even (See charts on Spreadsheets)
- Other towns have similar fees to ours for residents, but much higher fees for non-residents at their beaches
- I am open to other options on how to break even, but losing money on the lake is an issue

Note:

- There is a bill proposed that would cap nonresident beach parking fees at 50% more than resident fees for certain municipalities- House Bill 5361 https://www.cga.ct.gov/2022/TOB/H/PDF/2022HB-05361-R00-HB.PDF
- If passed, this would impact us greatly, so it is also something to think about/ create a
 potential plan
- This has not been passed yet, and the CRPA opposes the bill as written and feels that an arbitrarily-set cap on fees without first studying maintenance and staffing costs of these areas is premature: See email below:

"CRPA Members,

House Bill 5361 - An Act Concerning Public Access to Certain Coastal Resources is up for public hearing in the Planning and Development Committee this Monday at 10:00 am. If passed this bill would cap nonresident beach parking fees at 50% more than resident fees for certain municipalities as defined in statute below. However, it sets a precedent for inland waterfronts as well. CRPA is in support of access to safe, quality recreational areas. Affordability and safety need to be carefully balanced at waterfront facilities where safety is of the utmost importance.

CRPA's testimony is attached. CRPA opposes the bill as written and feels that an arbitrarily-set cap on fees without first studying maintenance and staffing costs of these areas is premature.

Please draft your own testimony using data from your facilities and email it to: pdtestimony@cga.ct.gov

If you would like to testify you may sign up for the public hearing which is <u>via Zoom</u> <u>here</u>. Registration must be submitted prior to 3:00 pm, Sunday, March 13, 2022.

Definitions of towns the bill impacts:

22a-93:

(2) "Municipality" means any town listed in subsection (a) of section 22a-94, the city of Groton, the borough of Stonington, the borough of Groton Long Point, the borough of Fenwick and the borough of Woodmont, but shall not include any special district;

Sec. 22a-94. Coastal area; coastal boundary. Commissioner to prepare maps. (a) The Connecticut coastal area shall include the land and water within the area delineated by the following: The westerly, southerly and easterly limits of the state's jurisdiction in Long Island Sound; the towns of Greenwich, Stamford, Darien, Norwalk, Westport, Fairfield, Bridgeport, Stratford, Shelton, Milford, Orange, West Haven, New Haven, Hamden, North Haven, East Haven, Branford, Guilford, Madison, Clinton, Westbrook, Deep River, Chester, Essex, Old Saybrook, Lyme, Old Lyme, East Lyme, Waterford, New London, Montville, Norwich, Preston, Ledyard, Groton and Stonington.

As always, if you have any questions please feel free to contact me,

Valerie Stolfi Collins

Executive Director"

	Indian Notch Park 300108				
Expenses	Description	Weekly		Year	rly
Uniforms				\$	(350.00)
Supplies/First Aid				\$	(550.00)
		Total		\$	(900.00)
Lifeguards 2022- MIN WAGE AT	\$14				
lead Life Guard @ \$16.00/hr	40 hours per week * 13 w	\$	640.00	\$	8,320.00
T Lifeguard @ \$14.00/hr	40 hours per week * 12 w	\$	560,00	\$	6,720.00
FT Lifeguard @ \$14.00/hr	32 hours per week * 12 w	\$	448.00	\$	5,376.00
PT Lifeguard @ \$14.00/hr	24 hours per week * 12 w	\$	336.00	\$	4,032.00
PT Lifeguard @ \$14.00/hr	16 hours per week * 12 w	\$	224.00	\$	2,688.00
PT Lifeguard@ 14.00/hr	8 hours per week * 12 we	\$	112.00	\$	1,344.00
	Total			\$	28,480.00
	Social Security			\$	2,178.72
		Total		\$	(30,658.72)
		TOTAL EX	PENSES	Ś	(31,558,72)

Anticipated Revenue	Description	Weekly	Year	rly
Pavillion Rentals	average 2 @ \$175.00*		\$	350.00
Beach Pass- season pass -resident	average 15 @\$40*		\$	600.00
Beach Pass- season pass -nrresident	Average 10 @ \$80*		\$	800.00
Beach Pass- season pass -senior	Average 35 @\$15*		\$	525.00
Gate	Average 5,000 visitors		\$	30,000.00
		TOTAL REVENUE	\$	32,275.00
	RESIDENT	NON-R		
Daily per car weekday*	\$5	\$7		
Daily per car weekend/holiday	\$7	\$20		
* All fees raised this year due to minim	um wage increase			
		Total	\$	716.28

Anticipated Revenue	Description	Weekly	Yea	rly
Pavillion Rentals	average 2 @ \$150.00		\$	300.00
Beach Pass- season pass -resident	average 15 @\$35		\$	525.00
Beach Pass- season pass -nrresident	Average 10 @ \$75		\$	750.00
Beach Pass- season pass -senior	Average 35 @\$10		\$	350.00
Gate	Average 5,000 visitors		\$	20,000.00
		TOTAL REVENUE	\$	21,925.00
	RESIDENT	NON-R		
Daily per car weekday*	\$3	\$5		
Daily per car weekend/holiday	\$5	\$15		

Head Life Guard @ \$17.00/hr	40 hours per week * 13 weeks	\$	680.00	\$ 8,840.00
FT Lifeguard @ \$15.00/hr	40 hours per week * 12 weeks	\$	600.00	\$ 7,200.00
FT Lifeguard @ \$15.00/hr	32 hours per week * 12 weeks	\$	480.00	\$ 5,760.00
PT Lifeguard @ \$15.00/hr	24 hours per week * 12 weeks	\$	360.00	\$ 4,320.00
PT Lifeguard @ \$15.00/hr	16 hours per week * 12 weeks	\$	240.00	\$ 2,880.00
PT Lifeguard@ 15,00/hr	8 hours per week * 12 weeks	\$	120.00	\$ 1,440.00
	Total			\$ 30,440.00
	Social Security			\$ 2,328.66
		Total		\$ (32,987.38)

Anticipated Revenue	Description	Weekly	Yea	irly
Pavillion Rentals	average 2 @ \$175.00		\$	350.00
Beach Pass- season pass -reside	average 15 @\$35		\$	525.00
Beach Pass- season pass -nrresion	Average 10 @ \$100*		\$	800.00
Beach Pass- season pass -senior	Average 35 @\$10		\$	350.00
Gate	Average 5,000 visitors		\$	35,000.00
		TOTAL REVENUE	\$	37,025.00
	RESIDENT	NON-R		
Daily per car weekday*	\$3	\$10		
Daily per car weekend/holiday	\$5	\$20		
* All non resident fees raised th	is year due to minimum wage	increase	-	
		Total	\$	5,466.28

2021 GATE \$8,531.00

FY2017			
Beginning Cash balance	\$	862,887.75	
Revenue	\$		Plot Sales
	\$	1,598.57	Interest
Expenditures	\$	(19,590.00)	Cemetery Services
	\$	(800.00)	Buy Back of Plots
Ending Balance FY2018	\$	849,196.32	
Revenue	\$	10,200.00	Plot Sales
	\$	1,718.74	Interest
Expenditures	\$	(19,924.00)	Cemetery Services
Ending Balance FY2019	\$	841,191.06	
Revenue	\$	8,500.00	Plot Sales
	\$	9,179.59	Interest
Expenditures	\$	(20,756.00)	Cemetery Services
	\$	(3,850.00)	Buy Back of Plots
Ending Balance FY2020	\$	834,264.65	
Revenue	\$	9,350.00	Plot Sales
	\$	7,192.67	
Expenditures	\$	(22,881.00)	Cemetery Services
Ending Balance FY2021	\$	827,926.32	
Revenue	\$	8,500.00	Plot Sales
	\$		Interest
Expenditures	\$	(20,356.00)	Cemetery Services
Ending Balance FY2022	\$	816,591.00	
Revenue	\$	4,250.00	Plot Sales
	\$ \$		Interest
Expenditures	\$	10. 10.	Cemetery Services
	\$	(2,450.00)	Buy Back of Plots
Current Balance	\$	806,018.50	

Back in FY2019 I moved the money in the Cemetery account from a low interest bearing checking account to a money market which greatly increased the interest revenue. In FY2021 the money was in that same account,

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CEMETERY FUND

- 1. It is recognized that pursuant to Connecticut General Statures §7-148(c)(2)(K), that a special fund to be known as the Bolton Cemetery Activity Fund ("the Fund") be hereby established, which Fund shall be used in whole or in part for Bolton Center Cemetery and Quarryville Cemetery activities including but not limited to: acquisition of land; oversight; maintenance; improvement; repair; burials; and replacement of equipment. The Board of Selectmen in establishing the Fund assumes responsibility for the Bolton Center Cemetery and Quarryville Cemetery properties deeded to the Town of Bolton.
- 2. The Fund shall be in the custody of the treasurer of the Town of Bolton and all or any part of the monies in said Fund, may from time to time, be invested in any securities in which public funds may lawfully be invested. All income derived from such investments shall be paid into the Fund and become a part thereof. The monies so invested shall at all times be subject to withdrawal from such investment for use as provided in paragraph 1, above.
- Annually, the treasurer shall submit to the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance, a
 complete and detailed report of the condition of said fund, which report shall be made part of
 the Bolton annual report.
- 4. Subject to the provisions of the Charter and this ordinance, decisions regarding the use of monies in said fund shall be made by the Board of Selectmen in its discretion. The Selectmen may delegate, upon such conditions, as the Board of Selectmen shall determine, disbursement authority to a duly authorized individual or commission.
- 5. There shall be deposited in such fund: (a) all monies received by the Town from whatever source and from whatever means as gifts or bequeaths for use as provided in paragraph one above; (b) all monies received by the Town as income from burials, plots or other cemetery related activities; and (c) all monies appropriated to said fund.
- 6. Upon dissolution of the Fund as the result of transfer of the cemetery properties from the Town to another entity as permitted by law, any remaining balances shall be paid over into such other fund as the ordinance terminating said fund shall direct.