

MEETING AGENDA
PARKS COMMISSIONERS (VIA ZOOM)
GREAT BARRINGTON, MA 01230
TUESDAY, JUNE 21, 2022
5:15 PM.

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******ALL VOTES ARE ROLL CALL******

1. **CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER**

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A. May 16, 2022 (**Roll Call Vote**)

3. **PARKS USAGE REQUESTS:**

A. Alliance for a Viable Future, Lev Natan, to use the Gazebo behind the Town Hall on Monday, October 10, 2022 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon for Indigenous Peoples Day. Also Memorial Field from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Monday, October 10, 2022. (**Discussion/Roll Call Vote**)

B. Friends of Grove Street Park to use the gazebo/giggle park on Sunday August 14th from noon to 7:00 p.m. for a Fundraiser for Grove Street Park. (Music – Jerry Garcia Day) (**Discussion/Roll Call Vote**) **Seth Keyes asked if this could end at 5:45 p.m. so it doesn't interfere with their programs at St. James.**

C. Southern Berkshire CARE, Melissa Moro to use the Housatonic Park from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on 5/21/22 to 7/16/22 (excluding 5/28 and 7/2) (**Discussion/Roll Call Vote**)

D. Berkshire Pulse to use the Housatonic Community Center, on Saturday, July 16, 2022 from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. for a Hip Hop dance celebration Jam. (**Discussion/Roll Call Vote**)

E. Abby Schroeder – update on the celebration on July 2, 2022 to name Grover's Corner Park for David Grover (**Discussion/Roll Call Vote**)

F. Railroad Street Youth Project, Gabrielle Reeve to use the skate and basketball court at 60 Bridge Street for an outdoor event to celebrate summer, Friday, July 8, 2022 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. (**Discussion/Roll Call Vote**)

G. Railroad Street Youth Project, Sam Riva, to use Lake Mansfield on July 1, 2022 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. for an end of the year mentoring celebration/cookout. (**Discussion/Roll Call Vote**)

H. Mahaiwe Performing Arts Center to use the Gazebo and Town Hall Park for outdoor family movie (Spanish language w/subtitles) on Sunday, September 4 and Friday September 9, from 4:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. **(The free family film will be scheduled for 8 p.m. on Sunday with the following Friday as a rain date.**

4. **PARKS CARE AND MAINTENANCE:**

A. Park Updates.

- Memorial Field Update
- Budget update and capital
- Tighe and Bond Park assessment - continuation

<https://tighebond.maps.arcgis.com/apps/dashboards/e558e7ba73e24325983cced9a432728>

5. **NEW BUSINESS:**

A. Lake Mansfield Task Force- update

B. Robert Slonaker – East Mountain Trails (The Park on the corner of Park/Quarry/East is the Parks Commission. (The rest of the forest off Quarry Street is the Select board.) Neighborhood Parking

C. Michael Peretti/Tom Norton in regard to planting trees at the Alice Bubriski Playground – Housatonic Village Commons

D. Police presence – Lake Mansfield and Memorial Field

E. Moratorium of the Great Barrington Board of Health of the use of Glyphosate containing herbicides.

F. Grove Street court lines

6. **OLD BUSINESS:**

A. Berkshire South

B. Railroad Street – skate park planning and maintenance priority

C. Tighe and Bond – dollar value/long term replacement and initial design of Grove Street Park and Dewey Park. Status update

D. Charging for use of town spaces/rental policy when money is being charged

7. **CITIZENS SPEAK:**

Chair will recognize individuals at this time who wish to speak

8. **COMMISSIONERS SPEAK:**

9. **NEXT MEETING**

Monday, July 18, 2022 @ 5:15 p.m.

10. **ADJOURNMENT:**

Karen W. Smith

Chair

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