

**PARK COMMISSION
AGENDA
November 14, 2011
7:30 P.M.
Long Hill Conference Room
Town Hall**

Call to order

Public Comments
Sports Groups
Festa Tournament Committee

Acceptance of Minutes

Correspondence
Trumbull Racing and Cycling Kids – National Race Sept 14/15/16, 2012

Old Business
Cemetery Project – Erica Huston
Nature Commission Letterboxing Activity

New Business

Budget Review

Park Assignments/Committee Reports

Superintendent's Report

Any other business which might rightly come before this Commission

Adjournment

PLEASE CONTACT CLERK AT (203) 261-0129 IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND.

October 18, 2011

TO: Dr. Al Bradshaw, Southern Connecticut State University
FROM: Robert R. Ferrigno, Trumbull Park Commission Chairman
RE: Death Dying and Bereavement Course Project
Erica Huston, 1995 Huntington Tpke, Trumbull, CT

This is to advise you that Erica Huston attended the Trumbull Park Commission meeting of October 17, 2011 to request permission to complete a project to identify grave sites on a grid and possibly re-set and clean some stones at the Ye Old West Yard Cemetery on Unity Road, Trumbull.

The Park Commission indicated approval of Erica's project suggesting there is a great need for this type project for our historic Riverside Cemetery on Daniels Farm Road. She indicated great interest and will request consideration to expand her project to include Riverside Cemetery.

We look forward to the completion of Erica's project and receiving a copy of documentation of the historic graves for our records.

From: Ken.Martin@raveis.com
To: debrasilber@gmail.com; lhcommish@aol.com; dparis@trumbull-ct.gov
CC: joanaparks@hotmail.com; llevine25@aol.com
Date: Sun, 23 Oct 2011 06:25:04 -0700
Subject: RE:: Riverside cemetery, Burroughs Cider Mill, Main Street

Deb,

Thank you for your input.

Her project as presented to the Parks board was to "map out" a cemetery. Her interest originally was the West yard on Unity.

You may recall she showed us a project map plan which she also presented to the PARKS COMMISSION on Monday evening.

I suggested Riverside as it's history is important being close to the Rails to Trails extension and Pequonnock river corridors and to create another point of public interest in that area.

Restoration was not part of her presentation at either meeting.

They only discussion on grave makers was to possibly have those now stacked in the yard relocated to the proper location once the sites were properly identified.

This of course under the supervision of Dmitri Paris which I requested at our board meeting.

Fortunately, he as able to attend the Friday visit along with Bill upon my request and we now know fully what her intentions were.

I agree with Bill that if she has any further interest in these sites she can view our cemetery files under the supervision of Ruth or Lois.

She also left me a voice message yesterday to discuss the project further and I do not plan to return her call.

I think we have satisfied her request on both fronts, Parks and THS.

Also, Mrs.Krisak returned my call regarding the THS request to view the old Burroughs Cider Mill on Main Street.

Unfortunately at this time there is work being done to the building so a November visit is not likely. She will contact us when the work is completed as she is willing to open up the building for a tour.

Alicia, please feel free to circulate this exchange to all others present at the Tuesday meeting.

Thanks,

Ken



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----- Original Message -----

From: debrasilber@gmail.com

Sent: 10/22/2011 3:48:44 PM

To: LHCommish@aol.com

Cc: Ken.Martin@Raveis.com

Subject: Re: Riverside cemetery

I'm sort of not surprised. Restoration of gravestones really has to be done by someone who knows what they're doing -- and Erica's group might, or they might not, we really don't know. Ken, did she present any credentials to the Parks Board when she came before them? Mapping the cemetery is one thing, but working on the gravestones is something else entirely.

On Sat, Oct 22, 2011 at 11:28 AM, <LHCommish@aol.com> wrote:

Ken,

I met Erica Friday morning at Riverside cemetery. Dimitri and Charles were there also, walking around. Erica's project is "restoration". She has studied and was counting on being able to clean up some of the gravestones. However, Dimitri told her that "she could not do that at all". So, everyone left and I told Erica if she still wanted to meet with Ruth at the society to look at some files, she was available and that I was available to meet again if she needed any information from the stones at the cemetery.

Bill Wakeley

> From: wallythomas@comcast.net
> Subject: Parks Commission Agenda
> Date: Tue, 25 Oct 2011 22:06:40 -0400
> CC: trumbulltrackbmx@yahoo.com; uggtc@aol.com
> To: joanatparks@hotmail.com
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> Joan Plouffe,
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> I received your email address from Mary Markham who advised me to send you this email.
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> I am the President of Trumbull Racing And Cycling Kids, the group that operates the BMX track. For the past several years, it has been Jeff Topolski, the Vice President/Track Director that has been appearing before the commission about the track's activities. After many years of volunteer service, Jeff has notified us that he phasing himself out of activity with the track, and will no longer be Vice President/Track Director as of next month, when we have our annual elections of officers.
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> I am requesting the TRACK BMX be put on the agenda for the next meeting of the Parks Commission. I know that we usually appear in the late winter to present our plans/schedule for the upcoming spring/summer racing season, and TRACK still fully plans on doing that. The specific subject I would like to bring before the Commission is that TRACK has been asked by the sanctioning body to host a national race on September 14, 15, & 16, 2012.
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> This year, there have been important changes in the organization of BMX racing. For many years, there were two major organizations sanctioning BMX racing in the USA. The National Bicycle League (NBL) and the American Bicycle Association (ABA). TRACK has been affiliated with the NBL. This year, The NBL and the ABA merged, under the new name USA BMX. USA BMX appears to be operating very efficiently, and is working on it's 2012 National Race schedule. They have offered us their "New England Nationals" on this specific weekend in September. Since this year (2011), there was a major concert planned for September, I felt it necessary to notify the Parks Commission as soon as possible.
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> Thank you for your consideration,
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> Wally Thomas
> President,
> Trumbull Racing And Cycling Kids
> H: 203-445-0780
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[Joan Plouffe](#)

To jblueweiss@baipollock.com, zjs195110@earthlink.net, mask97@aol.com

From: **Joan Plouffe** (joanatparks@hotmail.com)

Sent: Tue 11/01/11 3:41 PM

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To:

Jeff:

I will be including the Festa Tournament on the November 14 Park Commission Agenda.

The following are items for discussion from the Park Commission Minutes of October 17, 2011.

- Opening time of park facilities.
- Clarification on Park System priorities for opening and closing of facilities.
- Noise Ordinance Requirements
- Payment of Rangers overtime for special events.

PARK COMMISSION
JULY 14, 2008

Public Comments:

Pam Georgas and Paul Buttress, Nature Commission:

The Nature Commission is requesting approval to conduct a family Letterboxing activity within our park system, initially at Old Mine Park. This is a program of letters and clues (outdoor treasure hunt) to introduce families to what Trumbull has to offer: parks, historical sites or buildings. The Nature Commission would conduct the program and fund raise but requested a Parks Department liaison for the project.

- From: Nature Commission a request to conduct a family Letterboxing activity within our park system, initially at Old Mine Park.
MOTION by Mr. Scippa, second by Dr. Bellows unanimously passed to allow the Nature Commission to conduct a family Letterboxing activity within our park system, initially at Old Mine Park with the condition that the program be limited to Trumbull residents only and with Park Ranger guidance to and through environmental area.

PARK COMMISSION
FEBRUARY 8, 2010

From: Trumbull Nature and Arts Center - Request to utilize Old Mine Parking for Rail Trails hiking event for June 5 & 6 for 25 participants. They are also planning to launch their letterboxing project on one of those days. (We will indicate to them that use of Old Mine is contingent upon whether there is Picnic Scheduling for those dates and that the event should be limited to 25 participants because of the parking limitations.)