



Youth Commission

Wednesday, August 10, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Bristol Parks, Recreation, Youth and Community Services – 51 High Street, Bristol CT
Regular Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order

- a. Chair Matthew Gotowala called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.
- b. Attendance

Present: Officer Matthew Gotowala, Chairman
Deborah Ahl, Vice Chair
Ryan Broderick, Commissioner
Makayla Cervantes, Commissioner
Jonathan Lukasiewicz, Commissioner
Richard Kilby, Commissioner
Dr. Corey Nagle, Secretary
Ramon Peters, Commissioner

Kyana Anderson, Youth & Family Coordinator
Stephen Bynum, Youth & Community Services Supervisor
Dr. Joshua Medeiros, Superintendent
Alyson Phelan, Youth & Family Coordinator

Absent: Lance Washington, Commissioner
Jolene Lusitani, City Council Member

2. Acceptance of meeting minutes

- a. **MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Kilby to accept the April 13, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes.
Seconded by: Vice Chair Ahl, all in favor; motion carried.

3. Public Participation: None.

4. Youth and Community Services Supervisor's Reports

- a. Youth & Community Services Supervisor Bynum reviewed the Year to Date Financials.
- b. Youth & Community Services Supervisor Bynum reviewed the Youth and Community Services Supervisor's Report. Commissioner Broderick inquired about programs for youth caught with cannabis and how BEST can aid in that need within the school system. Discussion followed.

5. Old Business

- a. By Commissioners:
 - i. Commissioner Peters provided update on his outreach program at UCONN's Career Center reporting partnerships with BBGC and other organizations. Discussion followed.

6. New Business

- a. Youth & Family Coordinators Kyana Anderson and Alyson Phelan and Youth & Community Services Supervisor Stephen Bynum presented the FY 22-23 Project Aware Budget Proposal.
- b. **MOTION:** Made by Secretary Nagle to approve the FY 22-23 Project Aware Budget Proposal. Seconded by: Commissioner Broderick, all in favor; motion carried.
- c. By Commissioners:
 - i. Chair Gotowala reported the success of the Basketball League at Bracket Park. Commissioner Broderick commented that this program was a great partnership between the Bristol Police Department and Youth and Community Services.
 - ii. Vice Chair Ahl inquired about setting a date to begin re-working the Youth Recognition Awards criteria.

7. Adjourn

- a. **MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Peters to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 p.m. Seconded by: Vice Chair Ahl, all in favor; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Jazzya Coakley
Recording Secretary
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