

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**  
**(to be approved at next BOS meeting)**  
**COLUMBIA BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Thursday, March 31, 2011 – 6:00 pm  
Adella G. Urban Administrative Offices Conference Room  
323 Route 87, Columbia, CT 06237

**Selectmen Present:** Carmen Vance (First Selectman), Rebecca Stearns, Robert Hellstrom, William O'Brien

**Also Present:** Ann Dunnack, Nikki Keldsen, Jonathan Luiz, Mike Savino

**CALL TO ORDER:** C. Vance called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The pledge was recited.

2. **NEW BUSINESS**

2.1 **Beach Pass Fees:** A. Dunnack informed the BOS as to what transpired at the Public Hearing held by the Rec Commission on Tuesday, March 29, 2011 concerning raising beach pass fees. A. Dunnack provided copies of the recommended fee structure that the Rec Commission approved of on March 29, 2011. W. O'Brien inquired as to what the feedback has been concerning the Rec Commission's recommended fee structure. A. Dunnack said that she received two complaints, both of which were made from citizens that were not irate. C. Vance posed questions to A. Dunnack concerning swimmers using the beach after hours. A. Dunnack and N. Keldsen mentioned that the hours the lifeguards will work during the summer weekdays has been pushed back as a method of encouraging beach passes be purchased. R. Stearns said that she is in favor of fishermen being required to have a beach pass if they are fishing in the area that the lifeguards are responsible for covering. A. Dunnack mentioned that last summer a fisherman was rescued by the lifeguards. W. O'Brien and R. Hellstrom agreed with R. Stearns that fishermen fishing near the town dock should have a beach pass. W. O'Brien MOVED to adopt the Recreation Commission's recommended fee structure for beach passes. MOTION CARRIED 4:0. The adopted fee structure is as follows:

Resident Adults Season Pass (ages 16 through 61)	-	\$25
Resident Youth Season Pass (ages 3 through 15)	-	\$15
Residents Under age 3	-	free
Resident Seniors Season Pass (ages 62 and older)	-	\$10
Resident Family Season Pass Max	-	\$100
Resident Day Pass (ages 3 and older)	-	\$5 per day

NOTE: Fishermen must have a beach pass to access the town dock.

Non-Resident Guest Day Pass (ages 3 through 15)	-	\$5
Non-Resident Guest Day Pass (ages 16 and older)	-	\$10

NOTE: Non-Resident Guests must be accompanied by a resident season pass holder.

Non-Resident Season Pass:	-	10x's resident rate
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3. **ADJOURNMENT:** C. Vance MOVED to adjourn. MOTION CARRIED 4:0 at 6:21 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Jonathan Luiz.