

(k) *Park and recreation commissioners.* The division of parks and recreation shall be under the charge of eight (8) commissioners, one of whom shall be elected as chairperson. They shall:

- (1) Be charged with the control, development, management, operation and maintenance of a system of public parks, forestry and recreational areas and facilities, and shall be charged with the supervision and maintenance of playgrounds, playfields, bathing beaches, swimming pools, recreation centers and other recreation and park activities, areas and facilities. It shall have the power to expend for this purpose any funds appropriated by the town for such purpose and any funds donated or bequeathed for recreation and/or park purposes by private individuals or organizations. It shall be charged with the responsibility of providing an adequate and wholesome recreation program for people of both sexes and all ages.
- (2) The commission shall have the power to conduct outdoor and indoor recreation activities and facilities on the grounds and in the buildings in charge of the school board, subject to its consent.
- (3) The commission may call upon any other department of the town government for assistance in performing its duties as outlined in section 2-23(c).
- (4) The commission, with the approval of the town selectmen, shall have the authority to conduct, at reasonable charges, such facilities for amusement, entertainment, refreshment or transportation of the public as are suitable for park and recreation purposes, and may let privileges therefor, but such privileges shall be subject to the supervision and control of the commission.
- (5) The commission shall be charged with the control, maintenance and development of public parks and recreational areas now in existence or that may hereafter be acquired, except narrow parkways, boulevard strips and small areas along streets, which shall be under the jurisdiction of the department of public works.
- (6) The commission may make, with approval of the town manager, all contracts to carry out the objectives and

purposes of the commission and shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be necessary for the proper administration of the affairs of the commission.

(l) *Director of emergency medical services.* The department of emergency medical services shall be under the direction of the director of EMS and he/she shall:

- (1) Direct the operations of all ambulance related services, facilities, and medical equipment.
- (2) Manage the personnel of the department and under the direction of the town manager, recruit, hire, direct, assign, train, motivate, discipline, and discharge all personnel of the department.
- (3) Develop and deliver emergency and nonemergency medical services, public health education programs, and relevant EMS information for public release.
- (4) Maintain accurate medical service records and proper financial records for billing and collection of patient accounts.
- (5) Supervise and administer any special projects and ongoing programs assigned by the town manager for the benefit of the departmental mission or to support the mission of other town departments.
- (6) Recruit, train, support, and direct volunteer labor for accomplishment of the departmental mission.
- (7) Maintain all necessary licenses, certificates, and approvals required for the lawful and proper execution of the town's goals in delivery of quality emergency medical services, and assure and promote proper certification of employees.
- (8) Other related duties and tasks as assigned by the town manager.

(m) *Housing advisory committee.* Any housing rehabilitation program operated by the town shall be under the charge of the housing advisory committee. The committee shall consist of five (5) Barre Town residents appointed by the board of selectmen.