

# **MINUTES**

## **Recreation Commission Meeting**

### **November 19, 2018**

#### Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM on November 19, 2018

#### Recreation Commission Members Present:

Lynn Connors  
Ann Delaney  
Mitch Katzman  
Bob Phillips  
Paul Tucceri  
Paul Aries, Associate Member

#### Recreation Staff Present:

Nicole Banks, Director  
Rich Adams, Business Manager

#### Public Comment:

Drew Butler, who is a dad of a soccer player and coach of a town soccer team, and a new member of the Westwood Youth Soccer Board of Directors, announced that he is attending the meeting to listen to matters about capital projects, turf fields, and the lighting discussion.

#### Consent Agenda:

Approval of the minutes from October 22, 2018 Recreation Commission meeting; Paul Tucceri moved to pass the minutes and Bob Phillips seconded the motion.

#### Commission Member Reports:

- Open Space Meeting Recreation Plan report by Ann Delaney:
  - A draft of the Open Space goals will be reviewed and recommended to the Planning Board Meeting on December 11, 2018 for adoption.
  - The Open Space Goals are aligned with many of the Recreation capital projects.

#### Director/Staff Report:

- Financial Report:
  - Spring \$21,000 addition
  - Highlights included: Patrick Chung Football Clinic
  - Fishing Derby held on May 12th
- FY 2020 - 2024 Capital Project Request Review
- FY20 Highlights:
  - Thurston field lighting project discussion to recommend moving to FY 21
  - Van purchase recommend moving to FY21
  - New field development option recommend adding for FY21

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- Morrison Park tennis court Installation recommended not installing a single lit tennis court citing high construction cost, meeting guidelines for number of courts in town, park congestion and lack of parking, lighted courts will be available at the high school.
- Pickle Ball Court at Sheehan School recommended moving forward.
- Upcoming meetings:
  - Long Range Financial Planning Update 11-29-18
  - Board of Selectmen review of Morrison Park options scheduled 12-10-18
- Fields and Facilities Update:
  - Commission members discussed improvements to field utilization.
  - The pros and cons of lighting the Thurston Fields were debated and a discussion needs to take place with the Baptist Church.
  - Field development potential at the First Parish was discussed as an option.
- Bob Phillips requested that information and work from subcommittees not be shared publically until we get to the final discussions and review with the entire Recreation Commission. This came out of events that followed the last meeting regarding field utilization.

### Next Meeting:

December 17, 2018, 7:00 PM

### Adjourn:

Moved by Mitch Katzman, seconded by Paul Tucceri to adjourn the Recreation Commission meeting at November 19, 2018, at 8:35 PM.