

TOWN OF SOUTH WINDSOR
NAMING OF PUBLIC LANDS AND BUILDINGS SUB-COMMITTEE
MINUTES
December 10, 2020

1. *Call Meeting to Order*

Chairman Evans called the meeting to order at 5:36 p.m.

2. *Roll Call*

Members Present: Chairperson Evans
 Councilor Lopez
 Councilor Maneeley

Others Present: Mayor Andy Paterna
 Ray Favreau, Director of Park and Recreation
 Toby Lewis, Park & Recreation Commission
 Art Sladyk, Patriotic Commission

3. *Approval of Minutes (10/8/20)*

Chairperson Evans made a motion to approve the minutes of October 8, 2020.
Councilor Maneeley seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

4. *Discussion Items*

Councilor Maneeley made a motion to suspend the rules to take Item 4.B. before 4. A.
Chairperson Evans seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

B. Revisit the Approved Location for Honoring Al Larson

Mr. Art Sladyk from the Patriotic Commission came forward and stated that although Mr. Larson deserves recognition, the Patriotic Commission is trying to keep the proposed area in Veterans Memorial Park for veterans. Mr. Sladyk then voiced the disappointment of the Patriotic Commission that they were not invited to the previous meeting of the Naming of Public Lands and Buildings Sub-Committee to discuss this matter.

Answering questions from the Sub-Committee, Mr. Sladyk explained that the Patriotic Commission is trying to change the image for this area of the park, so people will recognize it is for veterans.

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4. *Discussion Items (Continued)*

B. Revisit the Approved Location for Honoring Al Larsen (Continued)

Chairman Lewis from the Park & Recreation Commission thanked Mr. Sladyk for keeping the integrity of the park for the veterans and explained that the Park & Recreation Commission felt honoring Al Larson by naming the lap pool in the aquatics complex after him would be appropriate.

Councilor Lopez made a motion to recommend to the Town Council to rescind their approval of naming the interior driveway which connects the lower parking lot to the upper parking lot at Veterans Memorial Park in honor Al Larson, and reconsider naming the lap pool in the aquatics complex in honor of Al Larson.

A. Naming Considerations: James Throw

Mayor Paterna explained that the family of James Throwe is interested in having a Town building named after him, and specifically the Town Hall because he was involved with the construction of the Town Hall. Another suggestion that could be considered is naming a meeting room in the Town Hall in honor of James Throwe.

Councilor Maneeley voiced concern about naming the Town Hall after Mr. Throwe and was more inclined to name a room such as the Council Chambers in honor of Mr. Throwe.

Chairperson Evans stated that she likes the idea of naming the Town Hall after Mr. Throwe but felt both suggestions were good.

Councilor Lopez said he was in favor of naming the building after Mr. Throwe.

After more discussion was held, Chairperson Evans recommended that this discussion be brought to the Town Council to gather their feelings on this matter.

5. Miscellaneous

Chairperson Evans stated that at the next meeting, discussions would continue regarding the naming of a location in honor of Mr. James Throwe but felt that public input should be added to the agenda in case the public would like to comment on this item.

6. *Adjournment*

At 6:04 p.m., Councilor Maneeley made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilor Lopez seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah W. Reid
Council Clerk