

Park and Recreation Commission
Minutes of the Meeting
March 8th, 2017

Meeting called to order: 7:33 pm.

Commissioners in Attendance: George Caye, Craig Zimmerman, Al Larson, Katie Graham, Bill Nowak and Ritu Goel

Also in Attendance: Ray Favreau, Bob Dickensen, Matt Riley, Claire Labbe, Aeldon Guerette.

Al welcome new PARC member Ritu Goel to the meeting.

Approval of Minutes: Motion made and seconded to approve the January minutes. Passed unanimously.

Public Input: None

Special Reports: The Town Council and Town Manager are looking for all commissions and boards to create a “1-3-5 Strategic/Budget Plan” to send to the Town Council. Ray showed us the Park Plan. Craig asked that we create one now for review. Suggestions were made and Ray will create a plan for us to review and amend.

Review Current Master Plan: Ray handed out maps of all the town parks, fields and schools for PARC to review and make suggestions to change according to our new PARC Master Plan. One issue brought up was what will happen to any fields that will be removed (Eli Terry School) when new schools are built for the upcoming referendum. Craig will talk to the Superintendent and get back to us with the answer. Al would like members to review the 8/11/15 Draft Outline for review in April.

Report of Council Liaison: Matt Riley. With the possibility of a reduction in what the state will be giving to towns, we may be looking at more cuts in South Windsor. Craig is concerned with the possibility of increased user fees for Rec. Programs to cover all costs i.e. lawn service for fields electricity for building etc. or eliminations of sports programs in schools.

OSTF: None

Report of the B of E Liaison: None

Report of Parks and Rec. Director: Ray asked us to read the Report. He is meeting with the abutters of the 11 acre parcel along with Town Manager and John Caldwell.

Motion to adjourn at 9:35pm by Katie, seconded by Bill

Next Meeting: 7:30pm April 12th, 2017

Respectfully Submitted

George S. Caye