

## Park and Recreation Commission

June 7, 2011

7:10 p.m.

### Attendance:

Robert G. Potter, Director  
Joseph Schettino, Chairman  
Harry Swaun, V. Chairman  
Michael Sutyla

Linda Diamond (absent)  
Bonnie Finkeldey  
Robert Neri  
Robert Karcich

**Guests:** Carol Walters, Sandy Springer, Grace Guidone (Dog Park Committee Members)

**Minutes:** Mr. Sutyla motioned to approve the minutes of the May 3, 2011 P & R Commission meeting as submitted. Mr. Karcich seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mrs. Finkeldey motioned to move the discussion of the Dog Park up to the next item on the agenda. Mr. Sutyla seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Dog Park Committee: Came to present a Site Plan to the P & R Commission per their request. Sandy Springer explained the project, the .3 acre of property and the location of the double entrance gate. Parking – unofficially: adjacent to the Hurd property; first parking lot on the left as you enter the Peters Complex. Rules and Regulations will be posted everywhere. Maintenance will be the responsibility of the Department of the Department of Public Works. The area may be filled with mulch as opposed to grass. The fence will be between 4 ft. to 6 ft. high. There will be one entrance. DPW the lead and asbestos bid has gone out. Once that is done, the house will be turned over to the Fire Dept. There isn't a time table for the completion of the project but they are hoping for this Fall. The Dog Ordinance takes care of the Town. The Dog Park Committee will submit Rules and Regulations to the P & R Commission for their consideration and the P & R Commission will take it from there. The Dog Park will most likely be open from dawn to dusk, there is no electricity or water, and there will be stations for disposable bags.

Carol Walter and the Dog Park Committee left at 7:30 p.m.

### Discussion:

Mr. Sutyla: Hurd property electricity – if we want to take advantage of what was there, we should do something about it early. Water – maybe we could look into well water, Entrance – all traffic, people walking on the sidewalk, children, bikers, spectators, etc. he would suggest that the double gate be moved to the parking lot side. Mrs. Finkeldey will go back to the Committee to revisit the location of the double gate. They are trying to salvage the existing fencing. Mr. Schettino – the distance to go from the parking lot to the front entrance has to be handicap access. By March 2012 everything in our Parks has to be ADA compliant. The entrance to the Dog Park from the parking lot maybe a safer way to go because the existing sidewalk is a public sidewalk. Mr. Neri – if there isn't any other way to get into the park but a public sidewalk, what happens if a child gets bit by a dog going into the dog park?

### Correspondence:

**Copies of the 2011 – 2012 P & R Budget & CEC Budget:** were given to the Commissioners.

### Sub-Committee Reports:

1. **Linda Diamond, Liaison, Land Conservation Trust Outreach Committee, Mike Sutyla, Alternate.** Nothing to report.
2. **Joseph Schettino, Liaison, Footbridge Committee with Frank Byrne and Larry Ouellette:** Nothing to report.

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3. **Linda Diamond, Liaison: P & Z Commission Planning Committee, West End of Route 1 Planning Effort:** Nothing to Report.
4. **Dog Park Ad Hoc Committee: Bonnie Finkeldey & Bob Karcich - Previously addressed.**

### Old Business:

#### Action Items:

1. **Develop Additional Field at IRRC – Cream Pot Road:** Still waiting to pursue this.
2. **Town Beach Project:**
  - Did the second pour. Changed a few things – left trim on the inside, not on the outside edge.
  - Windows: Originally 2x4 and were cut back to 2x3 and we are trying to go to a 2x6 size. Three windows: 2 in the front and 1 on the side.
  - ADA – the serving window has to one row lower. That one row will be added to the top. Floor to counter will be 3 ft.
  - We are trying to go back to stainless steel.
3. **Artificial Turf Field:** Four bids were received for the Site Work and two were within budget; Campanaro in the amount of \$379,000 and Schumack in the amount of \$397,000. The Turf Committee recommended Campanaro, Coastline Construction for the job. IRRC #2 has been closed. DPW has shut down the water on field #2 and they will try to salvage as many irrigation parts as possible. Our irrigation consultant will be brought in to help them. The Bids for the Turf came in with a high of \$541,928.00 (The Cadillac Bid) to a Secondary bid (incapsulated fill) dropped the price to \$416,378.00 with an \$82,000 contingency with the price changing depending on logo choice. The Committee did not recommend a Turf Field Company. Mr. Aniskovich, Bo Potter and Frank Byrne will be going to Long Island to look at a Turf Field. Turf Field Products wants to come before the Committee to make a presentation because they feel that the Committee was given some mis-information. So all 4 bidders were given invitation to come and presentation to the Committee. This will take place on Thursday, June 9, 2011 at p.m.

Mr. Karcich left at 8:20 p.m.

The entrance to the turf field will remain to the left of the existing concession stand. The field will be 120 yards by 65 yards (playing surface). The field will have a brand new drainage system and the bleachers will be centered on the new field.

### New Business:

Next P & R Meeting will take place on August 2, 2011.

### Director's Report:

**DPW:** has been very cooperative with working with the P & R Director on all of the projects we have going on. It rained the week before the tournament and they still did an excellent job.

**Town Beach Concession Stand:** is coming down with the help of DPW. DPW will be doing the sidewalks around the new building.

Mr. Neri: IRRC Baseball – 25 ft. past 1<sup>st</sup> baseline, in foul territory, there is a sink hole about 6 to 7 inches deep. Bo will mention this to DPW.

Mr. Sutyla motioned to adjourn. Mr. Neri seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted by,

Lois A. Ruggiero,  
Assistant to Director