

## PARK COMMISSION

January 16, 2024

The Milford Park Commission met Tuesday, January 16 3:34 p.m. at Milford Town Hall room 14. The following members were present: Paul Braza, Scott Crisafulli, Joe Arcudi, and Parks Administrator James Asam, were present. Public attendees were Skatepark committee member, Joe Neuman, town members were Henry Papuga, Jamie Wheelock, Mary Frances Best, Cindy Frabotta Stulac, Linda and Richard Heller DVM.

### **Agenda**

#### **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Joseph Arcudi called the meeting to order at 3:34p.m.

*No minutes to Approve*

#### **Meeting Agenda**

##### **I. Skate Park advisory committee- discuss next steps for feasibility study**

January 9, 2024 contract was signed to do a feasibility study for the skate park. Jim will follow up with American Ramp Company for the date of the kick off meeting.

##### **II. Discussion for future considerations pertaining to the Milford Upper Charles Trail Committee**

There was a list of possible scope of responsibilities of the new trail committee which still needs to be reviewed by the MUCT committee. They are looking at if the committee were to be dissolved what would be responsibilities for departments moving forward. This discussion will be scheduled for the next meeting due to Reno Deluzio member who was unable to attend the meeting.

##### **III. Park Projects updates- Pool schedule and Town Park updates**

Pool schedule is about a week behind schedule, but still shooting for to be done by the middle of May early June.

Final paperwork has been submitted for grant money to be released for Town Park Renovations. The planning for project is also a few weeks behind as well. The town members do not want the basketball court taken down on Walnut Street. People living on Walnut Street are concerned about taking the court down and moving the monument. Cindy Frabotta Stulac mentioned originally she was fine with the idea until she realized the courts would be multi-use; she felt this would take away from basketball. Jim and Joe both spoke on this matter reassuring that basketball would take precedent. Concerns from Richard Heller that by limiting use you take away from pick up games and the court should stay right where it is. Jim explained how the permitting would work.

Jamie Wheelock wants it to be a dual use parking lot. Used as a parking lot /basketball court like the Youth Center. It's either a basketball court or a parking lot; it can't be both. There is not a lot of community input in the renovation of the Town Park.

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#### **IV. Review municipal employee disclosure forms for determination**

Jim Asam was contacted by the Ethics Board about disclosure determinations forms when Justin Asam was hired by the commissioners. The forms will be presented and signed today, Disclosure of appearance of conflict of interest form and Disclosure by Non-Elected Municipal Employee of Financial interest form.

*Read by Joseph Arcudi: Motion to As appointing official, as required by G.L.c. 268A, 19, I have reviewed the particular matter and financial interest identified above by a municipal employee. I have determined that the financial interest is not so substantial as to be deemed likely to affect the integrity of the services which the municipality may expect from the employee. Motion made by Scott Crisafulli, Second by, Paul Braza, Copies will be kept by appointing officials as a public record.*

#### **VI. Other Business-Commissioner Requests**

Scott would like a meeting with the Water Department to talk about parking at Tank Field once the weather is better. There isn't any parking for that park and it's dangerous.

Henry Papuga discussed some history of Tank Field when water company owned and had some concerns about the fence the Water department put up.. He's upset that it's fenced in with a high fence with barbed wire all the way to Congress Street. All of the parking is gone and parking on Congress Street is dangerous.


Scott stated to Henry the commission could add those concerns to their meeting with water commission in near future.

*Motion to adjourn meeting made by Paul Braza, Second by, Scott Crisafulli, Unanimous*

*Having no additional business, the Park Commission adjourned its meeting of Tuesday, January 16, 2024 at or about 4:48PM.*

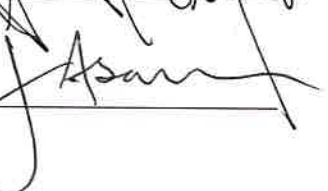
Respectfully yours,

Catherine Luchini, Clerk for the Milford Parks Department

 Joseph Arcudi, Chairman

 Paul Braza, Board Member

 Scott Crisafulli, Board Member

 Jim Asam, Director