

**Wallingford Parks & Recreation Department
Parks & Recreation Commission
Meeting Minutes April 12, 2013**

Recreation Commission Members Present:

Dave Gelo, Mike Savenelli, Roz Gallagher, Jason Michael, Phylis Murray

Recreation Department Staff Present:

John Gawlak CPRP Director Parks & Recreation

Opening Remarks:

Dave Gelo called the meeting to order @ 8:06 AM.

Minutes:

Dave then asked for a motion to accept the March meeting minutes. Mike Savenelli made the motion, which was seconded by Phylis Murray.

Old Business:

Wallace Park: A discussion was held regarding criteria of civic groups vs. ethnic groups. Mike Savenelli will take on the task of language clean up. Dave met with Steve Palermo (Public Works) to locate benches and remove 4 white pillars. DPW will fill in low spots. It was voted "no" to the idea of a permanent Christmas Tree.

Vets Park: A short discussion took place re: cleaning of Community Gardens. Dave passed photos around.

High School Concession Stands: Jason Michael met with the Supt. of Schools. Jason led the discussion. The Supt. is behind the idea 100% but does not want to force the issue. The sticking point is the Booster Club Equipment. We need to have a meeting to discuss. Need to set up a meeting with Bill Pursell and Stacey Deleonardo, Booster Club Presidents of Lyman Hall and Sheehan respectively.

Dog Park: A secondary meeting was held immediately following the main meeting. Dog Park representatives in attendance: Mark Semrau, Mr. & Mrs. Singer, Barbara Sibley, Cindi Piscitelli, and one other individual. Subjects that the WDLA discussed were:

Community Lake Parking- turnover is high, 10 weekends and 300+ days parking spaces empty.

Amphenol Parking

Car Pool Lot

Pavilion

Little League

Tennis.Basketball

Linear Trail

Other sites to consider: Marcus Cooke, Galko and Harrison Park

(average 20 cars)

Director's Notes: (See attached submittal)

Next Meeting:

The next Recreation Commission meeting will be held on Friday, May 10, 2013 @ 8:00AM at the Recreation Dept. Dave will E-mail all commissioners as a reminder of next meeting date. He will also Fax or E-mail copy of agenda to Town Clerk's office, Town Council Office and Commission Secretary directly.

Adjournment:

Jason Michael made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Dave Gelo. The meeting was adjourned at 10:15AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Joanne Vass, Recording Secretary