

Park & Rec Meeting

12/13/22

Attendees: Chairman Ben Chapman, Vice Chair Jocelyn Lyons, Commissioner Matt Ferro, Commissioner Marci Kovick, Bill Fitzgerald (DPW), Brian (DPW)

Not in attendance: Commissioner Dan Hart

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Old Business:

- Miller Tracy - tabled
- Bartlett Street project - tabled
- Summer Program
 - Now or soon would be the time to start thinking about planning, supplies, etc.
- Winter/Spring planning
 - Tree decorating event with the Library
 - Park and Rec donated the funds for prizes and crafts for Tree decorating contest
 - Three prizes: Library favorite, Park and Rec favorite, Popular Vote
- Review of playground signs - tabled
- Department Head meeting update - tabled
- Recreation Director position
 - One interview that went relatively well but wasn't a great fit
 - If we decided to go the route of a short-term position for just the Summer Program, we would need

New Business:

- DPW
 - Open Space Plan has been completed – opens up opportunities for grants
 - Grants can be used for park and recreation facilities (basketball courts, etc.)
 - Sometimes there is some administrative paperwork, town meeting approval
 - Park grants due in June, now would be the time to start planning, public participation (mailing, internet surveys, electronic sign, public forum)
 - Could make the article at Town Meeting contingent upon getting the grant
 - Town has historically been helpful for flexible articles
 - DPW can possibly help with a study if needed (limited support)
 - Since we want to do Fagan and Bartlett, can we apply for multiple grants?
 - What do we do next in terms of Fagan? No plans yet – architect? DPW can help
 - Soil at Fagan – revisit which sports/fields should be where? Master plan for Fagan could be of interest. Playground also needs to be addressed soon.
 - Could we use the drawings from the engineer for basketball courts at Fagan?
 - DPW – Park Maintenance
 - Earlier we ask for things, better it can fit into schedule
 - Brian free to reach out to the board for anything needed, any gaps that may exist due to lack of Director

- Review Holiday Event
 - Civic Association event at Demarco Park
 - Great turnout, kids and adults loved the crafts
 - Were able to find other paints at the Civic Center
- Discuss Civic Center organization
 - Would be helpful to take inventory at the Civic Center for supplies, etc.
 - Maybe January meeting under Open Meeting?

Next meetings:

January 10

January 24