

MINUTES OF THE RECREATION COMMITTEE  
EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE ROOM  
May 29, 2018, 4:30pm

Committee Members present:      Councilor Jonathan McCallion, Chair  
   Councilor Nancie Cameron, Vice-Chair  
   Councilor Martin P. Dumont, Sr.  
   Councilor Richard R. Michaud

Administration/Staff present:      City Manager, Bob Belmore  
   Development Services Director, Shanna Saunders  
   Recreation Supervisor, Kristen Davenport  
   City Clerk, Trish Harris

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The meeting was called to order by Councilor McCallion at 4:30pm

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Councilor McCallion moved to accept the minutes of the Meeting held on March 8, 2018, seconded by Councilor Dumont motion passed 2-0. Cameron and Michaud abstained.

CITY ORDINANCE – CHAPTER 30, CONDUCT IN CITY PARKS - MALLEY FARM BALLFIELD

City Manager Belmore presented a draft of proposed Ordinance changes to City Ordinance Chapter 30.

The first of the proposed changes was to amend Chapter 30, Conduct in Public Parks, Section 2.2 Definitions, by deleting Queensbury Mill Pocket Park. This topic had already been discussed and approved at a previous Recreation meeting.

The second proposed change was to amend Chapter 30, Conduct in Public Parks, Section 12 City Trails, by adding Mast Point Dam Recreation Area. There was brief discussion about City trails.

The third proposed change was to AMEND Chapter 30, Conduct in Public Parks, Section 13 (c) Dog Waste in Parks, by adding Malley Farm Recreational Area Softball/Baseball Field. This City owned property is leased to a Softball League. They have placed signs at the entrance of the park stating, No Dogs Allowed. They did not have permission to post these signs and it is not in the City Ordinance. The signs were removed at the City's direction after a complaint was received from a resident. Other parks within the City have signs stating that dogs are not allowed on the ballfield, and this is what is proposed for Malley Farm.

***Councilor Dumont, seconded by Councilor Cameron, made a motion to sponsor an Ordinance change to Chapter 30, Conduct in City Parks on all three proposed changes. The motion passed 4-0.***

There was further discussion about advertisements from sponsors at the ballfield. This is allowed in the softball league lease but the signs must be approved by the City Manager.

There was brief discussion about signage and advertising for other ballfields. This will be placed on a future agenda, for further discussion.

#### RECREATION PROGRAM UPDATES

Recreation Supervisor Davenport reviewed the handout that was distributed for the meeting, giving updates on Granite State Track and Field, Summer Camp and Training, Millennium Park, and Noble Pines Park.

Councilor McCallion asked about the condition of the ballfield at Millennium Park. The quotes for repairs came in higher than expected, and the Recreation Department has applied for a grant from Liberty Mutual. They will look at getting contractor proposals again.

There was brief discussion about the Serve with Liberty project. Six volunteers from Liberty Mutual repainted the restroom ceilings, stalls and walls as well as some benches. Davenport stated that she received a donation of a flat screen TV for the recreation building anonymously.

There was discussion about Park Maintenance. Joe Ferland has returned for the season and will be handling park maintenance.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

City Manager Belmore stated that Councilor Dumont will be appointed as the Chair of the Veterans Memorial Commission as recently announced by the Mayor; Dumont mentioned that Councilor Michaud is being recommended as the Vice Chair. There was discussion about the Dover Veterans Memorial recently established.

The Committee briefly discussed the proposed Veterans Memorial at Malley farm. Neither the VFW nor American Legion want to move forward at this time and the coordinator has also moved on.

***Councilor Dumont moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilor Cameron, motion passed 4-0 and the meeting adjourned at 4:57pm.***

Respectfully submitted,

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Trish Harris, City Clerk