



Gates Recreation and Parks Commission Meeting February 14, 2023



Those contacted by email:

Commissioners: Rhoda Ride Brom Bianchi John Unson
Eileen Andrews Steve Murphy Greg Westbrook

Director: Dan Hoock

Town Board Liaison: Chris DiPonzio

This meeting was conducted via email. The meeting information was sent to each Commissioner on February 16 with the request that each respond back to Dan Hoock, using the "reply all" key. These minutes are based on those replies. The format of these minutes will reflect the responses of those Commissioners who have given their input.

Review and approval of the January Commission meeting minutes:

Approval of the January Commission meeting minutes:

Approval: Rhoda Ride, Eileen Andrews, Brom Bianchi and John Unson
No response for the approval of minutes: Steve Murphy and Greg Westbrook

Financial Report:

The financial statements was distributed to the Commission via email.

Approval of the January Financial statement was made by:

Approval: Rhoda Ride, Eileen Andrews, Brom Bianchi and John Unson
No response for the approval of the financial report: Steve Murphy and Greg Westbrook
Input from Commissioners: No official motion to accept the financial report was received. No action taken.

Correspondence:

None at this time.

Programming:

A report listing(s) of the past programs was included in the information packet sent.

Input from Commissioners: Rhoda Ride shared she was pleased that programming was going well.

* Westgate Winterfest

This outdoor hockey event went well and all participants enjoyed themselves.

* **Shrek at RWCCT** - no input was received on this event

Old Business:

* **Day of Play:** Dan reported this event was well attended (85+) and was a very successful program.

Input from Commissioners: John Unson shared he was pleased this event was so successful.

* Summer Celebration:

Dan reported the bands Nik and the Nice Guys/Atlas have been confirmed. Firework vendors have been contacted. Next, food vendors and community groups will be contacted.

Input from Commissioners: No input was received.

* **Kid's Fest:** Dan included a flyer with information about this upcoming event. It remains a work in progress for planning.

Input from Commissioners: No input was received.

* **Park Projects:** Dan shared the following information out upcoming park projects:

- First Responders Park** - a new open pavilion is proposed for this park. It might be 20'X40' or 20'X60'. When the plans are confirmed related to size and placement, RFP will be sent out to perspective builders.
- Memorial Park** - The town is looking for an architect to design a new shelter. Also a grant is being applied for through the CBDG related to replacing the outdoor bathrooms.
- Lions Park** - the grant monies received from CBDG for 2022 will be covering the costs of a new parking lot at this park.

Input from Commissioners:

Rhoda Ride shared she was pleased see progress in the parks projects proposed.

Brom Bianchi shared he was glad to see the proposed park projects were moving forward.

John Unson shared the update on the park projects was promising.

New Business:

- * **Easter Egg Hunt:** Dan thanked the Commissioners for their input related to the prizes for this event. The prizes have been purchased.
Input from Commissioners: No input was received.

- * **Summer Brochure:** Dan reported the first draft has been completed and the final copy should be mailed out in mid-March.
Input from Commissioners: No input was received.

• Upcoming Events:

- * March 4 - "We will Rock You" event

- * April 8 - Easter Egg Hunt at TSE

- * **Other: Nothing at this time**

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 14, 2023. The meeting will again be done via email.

Respectfully Submitted,
Valerie Young - Secretary