#### PARK COMMISSION

January 19, 2023

The Milford Park Commission met Thursday, January 19, 2023 3:30 p.m. at Milford Town Hall Room 14. The following members were present: Paul Braza, Joseph Arcudi, Scott Crisafulli, Parks Administrator James Asam, were present. Public attendees were 911 Veterans Committee, 4th of July Parade Committee Ray Auger and Ej from Fiesta Shows, Gregory Nesta from Planet Aid, Jamie Wheelock

## Agenda

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

Paul Braza called the meeting to order at 3:31p.m.

# Meeting Agenda

# I. Veterans 911 Committee to discuss options for veterans memorial

Veterans Council member Jo-Ann Morgan read a letter from Jason Mack. Went through the proposal of the options they have provided. The feeling is all of the Veterans are honored in Draper park and feel that would be the best place. Commissioners want to schedule a meeting to visit the Draper Park and go over it with the Veterans 911 Committee January 31, 2023 at 1:00 p.m.

# II. July 4th Parade committee to discuss locations for possible carnival planned for spring

Looking to use the Annex again if possible. Irrigation system has been fixed at the Annex since the last carnival. Plains Park sidewalks are being upgraded and soccer and LAX will be using the Annex in the spring. The 4th of July committee is looking into summer dates. EJ said they will repair anything that is broken or disturbed. Jim will look at dates of the sports for the carnival at the Annex and reconvene.

# III. Discussion with Planet Aid for additional donation center to be located at Plains Park

Since textile donations are going to be discontinued. Planet Aid is looking for an option at Rosenfeld Park to host a donation center container.

There are a few bins at the schools and the PTO gets a percentage of money donated back to the school. Parks would get a portion of the money. Drivers weigh the donations, clothing is either sold or donated and shoes are done separately. Will commit to picking up the trash if it's left there. Commissioners will need to look at the spot at Rosenfeld park and Jim will see what permits will need to be applied for. *Motion made to consider a bin on a trial basis by Scott Crisafulli and seconded by Joseph Arcudi.* 

## IV. Tree work in progress on bike trail along route 85

Emergency funding was used to remove dangerous trees along sections of trail on Rt 85, Zain circle and Louisa lake sections..Jim stated the work was completed between January 16 and 18 with little disturbance to trail use.

### V. Grant opportunities

Looking at options for Town Park and across the street from the Youth Center. Between now and end of February they need to have two hearings, before they move forward on application for the grant.

Scott will look into grant for the Louisa Lake parking lot and get back to commission

Skate Park: Scott Crisafulli said the Commissioners need to vote on a skate park committee. Jim asked to speak with the Finance director about fundraising and what needs to be set up.. This discussion will be tabled until the next meeting.

Friends of the Skate Park committee would like to hold a fundraiser to raise money for the construction of a new skate park. Looking for a date for the Pavillion. This discussion will be tabled until the next meeting.

# VI. Other Business- Commissioners Request- Public invitation to speak

Jamie Wheelock asked to add an item to the next agenda: Would like the Parks and Recreation Department to have their own Facebook page. Is there a construction schedule for the pool project? Would like to see the plans for the new Louisa Lake parking lot. Some of the 90 trees that were cut were on the bike trail. Will wood from the trees cut at Rosenfeld park be removed? Jim stated they debris will be removed

He thinks it was a bad decision that the trees were cut, but not removed along trail. Would like all of the Parks Commissioners meetings to be scheduled ahead of time at the beginning of the year.

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

Having no additional business, the Park Commission adjourned its meeting of Thursday, January 19, 2023 at or about 5:04 p.m.

Respectfully yours,

Catherine Luchini Clerk

Paul Braza, Chairman

Joseph Arcudi, Board Member

Scott Crisafulli, Board Member

Jim Asam, Director