

PARK COMMISSION

February 15, 2023

The Milford Park Commission met Wednesday, February 15, 2023 3:30 p.m. at Milford Town Hall Upper Town Hall. The following members were present: Paul Braza, Joseph Arcudi, Scott Crisafulli, Parks Administrator James Asam, were present. Mitch Ruscitti will apply for the 1.3-million-dollar grant.

Agenda

I. Public Hearing:

Town of Milford- Milford Park Commission and Milford Selectboard

Concerning the proposed application and use of Community Development Block Grant funds for: 1.3 Million

- * Town Park Improvements and Revisioning
- * Pearl Street Courts Improvements and Revisioning
- * Increased passive and active recreation at both locations

Any person or person(s) wanting to be heard will be afforded an opportunity to be heard

State Representative Brian Murray had some words about Milford and the Town Park, he is in support of the renovation.

Select Board Member O'Loughlin has some words about the project as well and is in favor of the project.

Brendan Reichert - Youth center commissioner new lighting, new signage, new cross walks making Pearl Street safer. In favor of the project.

Tom Sterns in favor of the project and would like a proper concrete skate park along with these designs.

Evelyn Bon Tempo - Town Meeting member precinct 4, gave a bit of history of the park. The town bought the land from Edwins Twitchell and paid \$10,000 for approx 15 acres. She is in favor of the project.

Jamie Wheelock - big supporter of the plan to support this project, as well as Tomaso Park too. He thinks it's a horrible idea to take out the old basketball court to add parking. What is the cost of the bathroom facility? Can we renovate the old bathroom? Can we not expand the walkways? It's a waste of money? He hopes there is a plan to put futsal courts in.

Youth Center can they fill in the slope to make for more parking? Will the park be making an area skateboarding or rollerblading. Do we need to take the free outdoor exercising from BCBS.

Linda Heller, she lives on Congress Street, she is disappointed that there is very little free space. No place to have a picnic or play frisbee. Only this left is a small portion of green space now. These plans don't take that into consideration.

Jamie Wheelock a Wants a commitment from the commissioners that lights will stay on until 10pm at night.

Joe Newman resident of Milford for 13 years, the project has its merits, missing a playground for the kids. Memorial has their own playground. The other thing that was missed was skateboarding, scooters and inline skating.

Rosemary Siqueira also feels that we are missing a playground for the kids. Prospect Heights playground is in shambles. Can we spend some money on this park as well?

Respectfully yours,

Catherine Luchini, Clerk



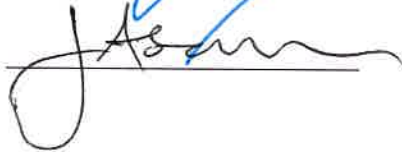
Paul Braza, Chairman



Joseph Arcudi, Board Member



Scott Crisafulli, Board Member



Jim Asam, Director