

**WINDSOR LOCKS PARK COMMISSION**

Minutes of Regular Meeting

Monday, September 8, 2014, 7:00 p.m. Town Hall, Park Office

**Commissioners present:** Todd Annis, Paul Ciarcia, Rich Labbe, Chairman Darren Netto, Bob Norris, Dan Squires and Director David Wrabel

**Also Present:** N/A

- 1) **Meeting Called to Order** – The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.
- 2) **Minutes** – The minutes of the regular meeting on August 11, 2014 were read.  
**MOTION: To accept the minutes as read with revision to remove Chairman Darren Netto’s name from “Commissioners present” at August 11, 2014 meeting.**  
**Bob Norris** **Seconded by Todd Annis**  
**Motion passed unanimously**
- 3) **Public Input** – None.
- 4) **Old Business**
  - a) **Park Conversion** – The deed indicates Woodland Park remains a park. There was discussion about the use of the park. Attorney Scott Storms will be consulted for an opinion about what it would entail to change use of this park mandated in 1957.
  - b) **Pesci Park Pool and Pavilion** – Need to add project to capital improvements to replace filtration system and pump house and install a retaining wall.
- 5) **New Business**
  - a) **Smoking Ban** – Discussion addressing smoking in parks. Little League can stop a game and resume that game when person(s) stop smoking at the game. There is a need for coaches to enforce this non-smoking policy at games. The “No Smoking Ordinance” adopted in Ellington, CT will be reviewed with a goal to adapt to Windsor Locks parks. Next step is to discuss with Board of Selectman.  
**MOTION: To bring forth no smoking policy in parks to Board of Selectman and bring to legal ordinance.**  
**Dan Squires** **Seconded by Paul Ciarcia**  
**Motion passed unanimously**
  - b) **Southwest Family Park** – Discussed options for naming park property after Phil Famiglietti, recognizing his 30 years supporting the town via his contributions while serving on the Park Commission. There are still options to recognize people by using their name on portions of parks (for example, basketball court and fields).  
**MOTION: Name Southwest Family Park the Phil Famiglietti Park.**  
**Dan Squires** **Seconded by Bob Norris**  
**Motion passed unanimously**
  - c) **Capital Improvements 2015-16** – Discussed five year layout for park plans.  
**MOTION: Five-year Capital Improvements plan.**
    - **Eliminate request for Veteran’s Memorial Park Press Box/Concession Stand.**
    - **Fiscal year 2015-2016, request retaining wall and filtration and pump house for Pesci Pool.**
    - **Fiscal year 2016-2017, add safety lighting for Pesci Park and path between Veteran’s Memorial and South Elm Street. Also, install well and irrigation system for new town deeded park off Cody Way.**

- **Fiscal year 2017-2018, refurbish and install new backboards at Southwest Family Park basketball court.**
- **Fiscal year 2018-2019, expansion of the Barbara MacDonald pavilion at Pesci Park.**
- **Fiscal year 2019-2020, install Veteran's Memorial Park walking path and exercise stations.**

**Todd Annis**

**Seconded by Rich Labbe**

**Motion passed unanimously**

- 6) **Correspondence** – David Wrabel received a request to use Noden Reed Park for October fest.
- 7) **Report From Recreation Director** – Fall soccer enrollment is lower than expected and also seems to be trend in neighboring towns; kids seem to be playing travel soccer or school soccer instead; glad kids are playing soccer and perhaps that will be the future venue for soccer players; consider not offering soccer team for 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade since a team has not been fielded for a number of years. Family Day on September 7, 2014, had a low turnout; perhaps combine with October Fest in future, weather was great on Family Day. Received new playscape for Southwest Family Park (Phil Famiglietti Park) and looking to have it installed Fall 2014 or Spring 2015 by hiring outside contractor; Public Works provided a date of Summer 2015 to install Southwest Family Park playscape, however, discussion amongst Commissioners was to install playscape earlier than next summer. Director David Wrabel will coordinate layout of playscape at new park off Cody Way.
- 8) **Report from Chairman** – None.
- 9) **Report From Commissioners** – Veteran's Park still needs work because the infield 3<sup>rd</sup> base line to 2<sup>nd</sup> base line is in bad shape and sod needs to be redone. Softball field is OK (reported by Bob Norris). At Southwest Family Park, waiting for the two swings, that have already been received, to be installed (reported by Paul Ciarcia). Pesci Park is in good shape and the Pesci I fence has been installed (reported by Dan Squires).

10) **Meeting Adjourned**

**MOTION: To adjourn meeting at 8:20 p.m.**

**Bob Norris**

**Seconded by Dan Squires**

**Motion passed unanimously.**

**Next meeting: Tuesday, October 14, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. (Special Meeting)**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Jennifer Dearborn  
Recording Secretary**