

AGENDA ~ MINUTES

Tetlak Park Fields Committee

Thursday February 27th 2014

Town Hall – 7:00 PM

Attending: Glen Schumitz Chairman, Deb Gatto Park & Rec Liaison, Elaine Raccio, Jay Borkowski, Sue Kondic, Eric Scheurich, Jim Husfam, and Brian Nesteriak Town Engineer

Absent: Vic Fallas, Lisa Suttile, Scott Coleman, Greg Kaehner

Call to order: Glen Schumitz, Chair called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM

Amendment to the Agenda – Move Audience of Citizens to 1st order; Elaine Raccio made a motion to move the Audience of Citizen's, Jay Borkowski seconded the motion and the motion passes unanimously. Mr. Richard Chandler, of 99 Bowers Hill Road, Oxford, the yellow house adjacent to the Tetlak Proposed Fields spoke of the site-line, the parking lot proposed placement is 30' from his home, worried about the lack of privacy, concerned about passive users, concern of lighting and night events at the park, as to review the positioning of the parking lot and the committee said it would take it under consideration.

Review and Approval of Minutes (Regular Meeting 11/21/13) Ms. Joanne Pelton brought to Glen's attention that the November minutes listed the Committee as a Commission, the minutes must be amended to reflect this change. Elaine Raccio made a motion to change the November 2013 minutes and Jay Borkowski seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.

Liaison Report – nothing to report at this time

Audiences of Citizens – Moved to 1st item on the agenda – see above

Engineer Report – Engineer, Brian Nesteriak showed a preliminary overlay of phase I on an aerial view of the property. Discussion regarding the moving of the rock walls, the multiuse field, parking and topography. Discussion of necessary distance from the wetlands for useable land, the multiuse field is 180' flat with a 40' decline that will need to be filled Will need engineered retaining walls where the fill will be needed and discussion about the inability to fill a flood zone. Brian Nesteriak had several questions for the committee:

1. The multipurpose field needs to be large enough to allow for, (1) regulation soccer field and/or football/lacrosse field; (2) regulation softball fields so 2 games can be played simultaneously so tournaments can be hosted; and (2) baseball fields without mounds
2. Need for disturbing as little rock, or landscape of the fields – not restrictions from family donating the property but committee wants the park to remain aesthetically pleasing.
3. Clay on the fields that will not interfere with soccer or football yet allow for youth and adult softball
4. The moving of material is expensive, there will be a need for materials to be moved
5. Suggesting a road around the perimeter of the multiuse field, a 10' plateau for standing, 30' would be needed for a road
6. Softball has 200' w/out overlapping; will need a temporary fence for tournament use as this is a requirement
7. Time to re-survey, TPA did a survey

8. What are the restrictions regarding the power-lines and field or seating – best if avoidance of this situation is possible
9. Need to test soil conditions, bore test or dig to 20' to check for ledge or bedrock to help in determining the truest cost of the project
10. What amenities are needed? Dug-outs (must be 'caged' with a top), sod, irrigation, stands, flag-pole, backstops, bathrooms, snack shack, storage, water, electricity (underground if possible), handicap accessibility, goal posts, goal-keeper stops for soccer, gravel parking or paved - committee asked Mr. Nesteriak to add all amenities to the plan so as to have a true cost, and will be added if and when possible; drainage and irrigation will be needed
11. Who is responsible for field maintenance? Deb Said Parks & Rec are responsible

Brian will finalize design, Glen at Selectmen's meeting next Wed. to give committee update to the selectmen, Brian will have plans and potential costs (rough budgeting) as well as proposed testing for ledge prices to propose to the selectmen. Phase I and Phase II will be available for the meeting.

Phase I – Multi-purpose – goal for fall 2014

Phase II - (2) sand volleyball, (2) basketball, (1) tennis courts

Phase III – cannot be completed as projected, no amphitheater so will be removed from the plans,

Other Business – Can committee members and team/coach members offer to build, make etc. some structures without cost to the town as donations? Deb G. said yes, and that was a hope of park & rec.

Adjournment Glen Schumitz made a motion to adjourn at 8:46 PM, Elaine Raccio seconded the motion and the motion to adjourn carried unanimously

Respectfully Submitted,



Christine R. O'Dell
Tetlak Park Field Committee Clerk

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