

Recreation Commission Remote Meeting
October 13, 2022
8 – 9:30 am

Attending: Paul Cramer, John Lanza, Anthony Munchak, Mark Wolfson & Laurance Stuntz

Staff: Matt Chin & Chad Norton

Guests: Beth Sullivan Woods (Select Board) , Wendy Paul (Advisory), Jessica Garris - Resident, Christopher Garris – Resident, & John Mancini - Resident

1. Call to order
2. Citizen speak :
 1. John Maccini: 5 Highland Rd, lives very close to the Sprague courts and expressed to the Commission that pickleball play on the courts is noisy, intrusive, and annoying. Would like the Commission to consider if they would like to live near this noise. Mr. Maccini stated that this is a national problem and that pickleball play should be moved to Hunnewell Courts.
 2. Chris Garris: Stated that the pickleball noise on the Sprague courts is impacting his quality of life and that pickleball play should be moved to Hunnewell courts. If the play can't be moved, then sound mitigation and restricting hours of operation should be considered.
 3. Lisa Cremonini: resident and tennis player, echoes the sentiments regarding noise around pickleball. Additionally, as pickleball popularity increases, how will the Town accommodate this growing group? This is something Ms. Cremonini would like the Commission and Town to consider.
 4. David from Linden Square Unit 49: Paul Cramer read email in to the meeting record.
 5. Paul Cramer stated, for full disclosure, that he and Town Counsel Tom Harrington are pickleball players and that they play on the Sprague courts. Between now and next meeting the Department/Commission will look into noise abatement and hours of operations.
3. Minutes: Motion made by Laurance Stuntz to approve August 18, 2022 minutes as presented.
Second: John Lanza

All commissioners in attendance voted Yes:

Paul Cramer, John Lanza, Anthony Munchak & Laurance Stuntz – Mark Wolfson abstains

4. Interboard meeting update:
Mr Lanza informed the Commission that at the Interboard meeting, the Select Board reported that Town reserves are at 20% and the budget guideline for fiscal year 2024 is expected to be set at 3%.
5. Morses Pond project /PBC meeting: Mr. Cramer updated the Commission on his meeting with Jay McHale (NRC) and Weston & Sampson (W & S). Two issues are that the project date has been pushed to FY 25 and that the cost of the overall project is \$4 million more than previously projected. Possible \$1million in savings after value engineering project.
6. Director's Report
Matt Chin informed the Commission that Fall registration and programs have begun and Winter programming has started.
7. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn made by Mark Wolfson

Seconded by John Lanza

All commissioners in attendance voted Yes:

Paul Cramer, John Lanza, Anthony Munchak, Mark Wolfson & Laurance Stuntz