



**Easton Park & Recreation**  
**May 1, 2017**  
**Commission Meeting Minutes**

Attendees: Phil Tamallanca, Kirsten Ceva, Tom Cable, Robert Klem, AJ Martinich, Danielle Alves, Lisa Farasciano

Absentee(s): Ray Longo, Dave Gombos, Gary Simone

Guest(s): See attached list

Meeting called to order 6:40@ pm

**Minutes**

The February 2017 and March-April 2017 minutes were distributed and reviewed.

Robert Klem - Accept

Kirsten Ceva - Second

All in favor of accepting the minutes

**Dog Park** – Susan Harris states that she wants to make it a working discussion. They are thrilled to have a dog park and is much more popular as the time goes on. Drainage and sitting water is an issue, very harmful to the dogs. Wants to come to a solution as to how to resolve it. Gravel, K9 artificial turf, etc. to help the drainage part of the area. Phil Tamallanca gives a background to the area. He discusses his conversation with Gary Simone as to what they can do to assist in the drainage of the area. He states we will look into the standing water since that is a health issue for all. The grass area towards the North is the worse area for the standing water. The dog park members would like to have the clay removed from the park. Phil Tamallanca discusses that we are willing to manage the park better, but needs to come up with a plan and understand financial aspect of the improvements. Fundraising can be discussed. A member states that some of the fencing is getting loose. Phil states that we can have them fixed.

**Financial Reports**

**Operating Budget** – Report distributed and discusses briefly. Phil Tamallanca discusses. Brief discussion held about maintenance help.

**Activity/Capital Account** – Danielle Alves discusses the accounts. She stated what the reconciliation number is that she received from Town Hall, but it is not a hard number. Danielle Alves is meeting with volunteers to maintain/improve Aspetuck Park tomorrow. The Slip n Slide should be ordered this or next week. Kirsten Ceva asked about Vets field area plan. Phil Tamallanca discusses that he spoke with Chris Lemos and Mike Clark regarding the area. Privacy fencing was discussed for the area that houses larger equipment that cannot be moved. Purchase of another container is discussed to place a Morehouse. A container is safer than a shed. P&Z needs to be notified along with paperwork that needs to be filled out for placement of the container.

**Field Usage Account** – Report was distributed and discussed. Kirsten Ceva asked about the defibulator, brief discussion is held. Location to place it is discussed. Robert Klem states that we should wait for EMS, police or fire department.

Robert Klem - made a motion to accept the Operating Budget, Activity/Capital Accounts and Field Use Account for March, April & May 2017.

AJ Martinich - Second



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**Recreation & Extended Day** - Programs – Danielle Alves discusses. Spring programs, the ones that ran did very well. Danielle Alves also discusses Ext Day, 6 ½ weeks for school left. Projections went to the BOF last month.

**Unfinished Business**

**New Business** –

**Playground Thank You** - Phil Tamallanca discusses that many town companies and people assisted with the new playground. He asks for ideas of how to acknowledge everyone. A plaque, bricks is suggested. Phil Tamallanca states that at the Grand Official Opening (Playdate), he would like all the commission members to attend.

**Safety and Parking at New Playground** - Cars are parked on both sides of the road in front of the playground. This is a safety issue for the children and adults. Phil Tamallanca states that he would like to discuss this issue with the Easton Police and Ed Nagy. Additional parking is discussed. Options need to be discussed.

**Commissioners Comments** – Phil Tamallanca asks if any members have heard any issues about the fields. He wants people/user groups to come to the commission not just one person on the commission. Robert Klem states that many people are complaining about the state fields. He states that our fields are appalling, shows pictures. Phil states that we need to come up a solution for the trash on the fields. AJ Martinich states that when he ran baseball, baseball and Park & Rec split the costs of certain things. Phil states that going forward a way to handle the issues, it has to come to Gary Simone and the commission. All members need to be aware. If we need to pay for trash/recycling pickup at all the fields, we will need to ask for that in the next year budget. Suggested outsource, trash, field prep, etc.

**Public** –

**Accidents** –

AJ Martinich - made a motion to adjourn.  
Kirsten Ceva - seconded.  
All in favor

Meeting was adjourned at 9:04PM.

Submitted by– Lisa Farasciano



