ATTENDANCE: Maura Mazzocca, Co-Chairman; Alfredo Arno; Bob Hogan, Selectman;

NOT PRESENT: Tom Carlson; Bunny Ferguson; Joe Stordy

ALSO PRESENT: Christopher Hanafin, Coordinator; Jennifer Goldsmith, Recorder; Brendan Egan-Recreation Department.

REMOTE ACCESS: Kenny Tigges, Remotely, Co-Chairman 09:34

Meeting called to order at 09:36 A.M.

Minutes: January 2018

January minutes are up for approval.

Motion: Mr. Arno moved to approve the January 2018 minutes as is. Seconded by Mr. Hogan. Roll call: Mazzocca Approved; Tigges Approved; Hogan Approved; Arno approved. Commission approves unanimously.

Something to talk about:

Linda McNamee would like to have DAC on her show. Hoping to get a few members to join her on March 28th to discuss what the commission does and how it helps the community. Will provide DVD to the commission after the airing of the segment. Time is 7:30 pm at BCAT studio and done shortly after 9:30. She will provide you with questions and you can edit as you feel necessary.

Let Mr. Hanafin know if you are interested. He will forward the email to the commission for everyone to see. Mr. Hogan asks Mr. Tigges if he is able to do this. Mr. Tigges stated he should be available but no commitment yet.

09:46 Mr. Egan Arrives

Update on Regan Park:

Regan park, pathways, parking spots all complete poured in place. Completely accessible from walkway to playground. 4 elements on the playground which are also accessible.

Architectural access board has redone their requirements for playground surfaces playground fiber is no longer acceptable surface. So that will be a big thing across Massachusetts once that gets passed because any surface that has those must be changed. No estimate as to time when this could be approved but just to keep it in mind.
New requests:

Brendan Egan would like request a few more collaborations with the commission and thank them for the continued assistance with ensuring the recreation department can provide things for the community at a reduced cost to the families.

The Commission is interested in helping fund some of the programs requested. They love partnering with the Recreation Department to help assist with costs for The Therapeutic Recreation program. Commission does not want to fund professional development as that is something that should be budgeted for.

10:28 am Brendan leaves

The Commission would like to fund two of the proposed programs. First being the $5,000 for Therapeutic Program costs and the second one being the Wildwood Park Playground Access for $3,570. This brings a total of $8,570.00 to assist the Recreation Department

Ms. Mazzocca makes a motion to approve the two programs. Mr. Hogan Seconds, Mr. Arno approves & Mr. Tigges approves. Commission approves unanimously.

Mr. Hogan leaves 10:47 am

ADJOURN MEETING:

Ms. Mazzocca motioned to adjourn at 11:06 am. Mr. Arno Seconded and All are in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 11:06 AM.

Submitted by,

Jennifer Goldsmith
Recording Clerk