

Final

Town of Westport
Parks & Recreation
 WESTPORT PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
 Longshore Club Park, 260 South Compo Road
 Westport, CT 06880

May 17, 2023

The Westport Parks and Recreation Commission held a meeting on Wednesday, March 15, 2023 @ 7:35 pm. It was held in the Town Hall auditorium, and livestreamed on the Town's website.

Members Present:

David Floyd, Chairman; Elaine Whitney, Alec Stevens, Matthew Haynes, Christine O'Keeffe

Members Absent:

None

Also Present:

Jennifer Fava, Director of Parks and Recreation; Rick Giunta, Deputy Director Parks and Recreation; John Broadbin, Deputy Director of Public Works; Matthew Mandell, Executive Director of the Westport Weston Chamber of Commerce, presenters noted in the minutes, along with members of the public.

1. Approval of minutes: February 15, 2023 and Special Meeting March 2, 2023

(Note: Approval of minutes transpired after Public Comment.)

Upon a motion by Alec Stevens to approve the February 15, 2023, minutes seconded by Christine O'Keeffe. Passed 4-0-1. Elaine Whitney abstained.

Upon a motion by David Floyd to approve the March 2, 2023 minutes seconded by Elaine Whitney. Passed 5-0

2. To take such action as the meeting may determine related to a banner request from the Westport Weston Chamber of Commerce regarding the 2023 Dog Festival.

Matthew Mandell presented.

Public Comment: Public comment was provided related to the banner request.

Upon a motion made by Matthew Haynes, seconded by Elaine Whitney.

The Parks and Recreation Commission approves the request from the Westport Weston Chamber of Commerce to hang one (1) banner at Winslow Park for a period not to exceed 10 days for the annual dog festival, unless event is postponed to rain date.

DRAFT MINUTES SUBJECT TO REVIEW, CORRECTION, AND APPROVAL BY THE
 PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF WESTPORT

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<https://www.westportct.gov/government/appointed-boards-a-z/parks-and-recreation-commission/meeting-agenda-and-minutes>

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Upon a motion for an amendment made by Elaine Whitney and seconded by Christine O’Keefe and passed 4-1. David Floyd opposed.

The Parks and Recreation Commission approves the request from the Westport Weston Chamber of Commerce to hang one (1) banner at Winslow Park for a period not to exceed 10 days for the annual dog festival, unless event is postponed to rain date, with the expectation that the Westport Weston Chamber of Commerce returns next year to review this years event.

Upon a motion made by Elaine Whitney, seconded by Christine O’Keefe to accept the motion as amended and approved 4-1. David Floyd opposed.

RESOLVED: The Parks and Recreation Commission approves the request from the Westport Weston Chamber of Commerce to hang one (1) banner at Winslow Park for a period not to exceed 10 days for the annual dog festival, unless event is postponed to rain date, with the expectation that the Westport Weston Chamber of Commerce returns next year to review this years event.

3. Public Comment: Members of the public provided comments related to the Dog Festival Event.

No action taken by the Commission.

4. Reports of:

Golf Advisory Committee: Jane Dally, Chair of the GAC, presented.

Parks Advisory Committee: David Floyd, Chairman of the PRC, presented.

Racquets Advisory Committee: No representative was present.

5. To take such action as the meeting may determine related to a request from the Department of Public Works to use a portion of Winslow Park for a project staging area.

Bryan Thompson, WPCA Collections Systems Supervisor presented.

Upon a motion made by Elaine Whitney, seconded by Matthew Haynes, approved unanimously 5-0.

RESOLVED: The Parks and Recreation Commission approves the request from the Department of Public Works to utilize a portion of Winslow Park for a project staging area as presented.

6. To take such action as the meeting may determine relative to the Longshore Capital Improvement Plan. (Continuation from March 2, 2023 meeting – no additional materials presented)

Gary Sorge presented.

Public Comment: Multiple members of the public made comments.

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Upon a motion made by Matthew Haynes, and seconded by Elaine Whitney, passed unanimously 5-0

RESOLVED: The Parks and Recreation Commission here by adopts the Longshore Club Park Capital Improvement Plan dated March 15, 2023, as drafted by Stantec relating to zones 1-3 and 5-7. As it relates to zone 4, the Commission adopts option 2 which depicts the new clubhouse being located in the vicinity of the currently existing clubhouse.

Upon a motion made by David Floyd, seconded by Alec Stevens, passed 3-2. Elaine Whitney and Christine O’Keeffe opposed.

RESOLVED: The Parks and Recreation Commission adopts the ten-year capital forecast alternative 2 as depicted in the aforementioned plan.

7. Commissioner’s Comments: David Floyd presented.

8. Administrative Report: Jennifer Fava presented.

Upon a motion by Christine O’Keeffe, seconded by Matthew Haynes, and passed unanimously 5-0, the meeting adjourned at 10:42 pm.

Respectfully,
Jamie Boone, Recording Secretary