

FINAL



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

September 25, 2024

The Westport Parks and Recreation Commission held a meeting on Wednesday, September 18, 2024 @ 7:30 pm. It was held electronically and recorded via Zoom.

**Members Present:**

David Floyd, Chairman; Elaine Whitney, Christine O’Keeffe, Gery Grove, Ronald Clarke

**Members Absent:**

None.

**Also Present:**

Rick Giunta, Deputy Director of Parks and Recreation; Michael West, Park Superintendent, Carmen Roda, Operations Manager; Velma Heller, Chair of the Parks Advisory Committee; Ed Picard, Member of Westport Tree Board; along with members of the public.

**1. Approval of minutes:**

**June 12, 2024**

Upon a motion by Elaine Whitney to approve the June 12, 2024, minutes, seconded by Christine O’Keeffe. Passes 3-0-2, Gery Grove and Ronald Clarke abstained as they were not members of the Parks and Recreation Commission for the June 12, 2024, meeting.

**2. Public Comment**

Multiple members of the public made comments.

**3. Reports of:**

**Golf Advisory Committee:** No representative was present. Rick Giunta reported.

**Parks Advisory Committee:** Velma Heller reported.

**Racquets Advisory Committee:** No representative was present, David Floyd reported.

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

Recordings of this meeting can be found at:  
<https://www.westportct.gov/government/appointed-boards-a-z/parks-and-recreation-commission/meeting-agenda-and-minutes>

# FINAL

- 4. To take such action as the meeting may determine relative to introducing a Tree Identification Program in Westport Parks.**

Ed Picard presented.

**Public Comment:** Multiple members of the public made comments.

**Upon a motion made by Elaine Whitney and seconded by Ronald Clarke, passed unanimously 5-0.**

**RESOLVED:** The Parks and Recreation Commission approves the Westport Tree Board's request to introduce a tree identification program in the Westport Parks as discussed at the meeting of September 18, 2024, said program is to be administered and funded by the Westport Tree Board.

- 4. Commissioner's Comments:** David Floyd and Elaine Whitney commented.
- 5. Administrative Report:** Rick Giunta and Carmen Roda reported.

**Upon a motion by Ronald Clarke, seconded by Gery Grove, and passed unanimously 5-0, the meeting adjourned at 8:26 pm.**

Respectfully,  
Jamie Boone, Recording Secretary