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Park & Recreation Commission

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, 11.21.2022 – 7:00p

Meeting Minutes

Present Commissioners: Julia Neff, John Grant, Kate Symonds, Michael Perkins, Abigail Smith Hanby

Also Present: Director of Park & Recreation Jared Kuczenski, Alternate Commissioner Diane Impastato

Call to order: Julia Neff calls the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Motion to approve amended agenda including discussion of playground bid addendum: made by Mike Perkins, seconded by Abigail Smith Hanby. Carried unanimously.

Kate Symonds leaves the meeting due to technical issues.

Motion to elevate Diane Impastato to a voting member for this meeting: made by John Grant, seconded by Abigail Smith Hanby. Motion carried unanimously.

Kate Symonds re-joins the meeting and Diane Impastato is told she is no longer a voting member for the purposes of this meeting.

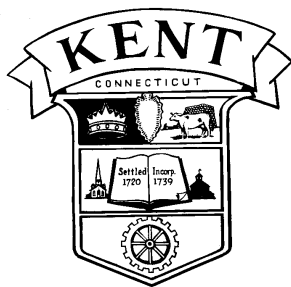
Julia Neff begins discussion regarding the Park & Recreation Capital Plan requests for 2028 and beyond. Items discussed in detail are:

- 1) A vehicle for Park & Recreation staff
- 2) A full basketball court at Kent Commons Park
- 3) A splash pad at Kent Commons Park
- 4) Upgrading the trails at Emery Park
- 5) Reallocating and aggregating the current Emery Park related capital funds into one, single Emery Park Improvement fund with uses to be determined once a plan for the park has been established

Part of the aforementioned discussion includes potential pool use at the Kent School, which Director of Park & Recreation Jared Kuczenski and Commissioner Julia Neff comment that they are currently speaking with the school about.

Motion to submit capital project requests to the Board of Finance for a vehicle in 2028 at \$35,000, a full basketball court at Kent Commons Park in 2028 at \$100,000, a Splash Pad for Kent Commons Park in 2028 at an amount to be determined based upon further research, an Emery Park easy trail in 2029 at \$35,000, and change the allocation of current funding at Emery Park to go towards a general “additional amenities at Emery Park” line instead of the pool and a playground: made by Abigail Smith Hanby, seconded by Kate Simmonds. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to purchase the Dirt Medic field grooming attachment from BSN Sports at a cost of \$2541.34: made by Michael Perkins, seconded by Abigail Smith Hanby. Motion carried unanimously.



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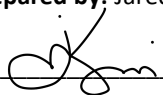
Commission discusses several changes to the bid package for the Kent Commons Park Playground Project. Those changes are:

- 1) Remove height minimum on slides
- 2) Update bid package to allow contractors to either excavate the playground site or build up the site
- 3) Removing the installation deadline and asking bidders to include an installation estimate
- 4) Changing specs to inform bidders that they should not bid on the disposal of current playground equipment as it will be disposed of at the town's transfer station

Motion to reimburse head coaches in all of the KP&R programming for 50% of their child's registration fee for the program they're coaching in: made by Kate Symonds, seconded by John Grant. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion to adjourn meeting: made by Julia Neff at 8:27 p.m.

Minutes prepared by: Jared Kuczenski, Director of Park & Recreation

Signature:  _____

Date: 12.23.22

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