

**PEQUOT LAKES PARK COMMISSION  
THURSDAY, MAY 10, 2012  
CITY HALL**

Members Present: Commissioners Jeff Bruch, Dena Doughty, Karen Ettesvold, Patty Bonicatto, and Chair Pete Clement

Also Present: Sandy Peine, City Clerk; Mike Loven, Public Works Supervisor; and Council Member Cathy Malecha

1. Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chair Clement.

2. Welcome New Park Commission Member

Chair Clement introduced Patty Bonicatto who was recently appointed to fill the vacancy on the Commission.

3. 4/12/2012 Park Commission Minutes

**COMMISSIONER BRUCH MOVED TO APPROVE THE 4/12/12 PARK COMMISSION MINUTES. COMMISSIONER ETTESVOLD SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**

4. Update on Memorial Tree

Commissioner Ettesvold stated that she has been working with Commissioner Bonnicato and the Tree House Nursery in determining the style of tree, or trees, to plant as a memorial to Del Anderson. She said that she has some ideas but would like the Park Commission to approve the location. The Park Commission decided to visit Trailside Park to assist in determining the location of the tree.

Commissioner Ettesvold stated that there is a possibility that a family may be interested in donating money toward a playground or splash park. The Commissioners discussed possible locations, but no decision was made. Mike Loven informed the Commission that the City is working with the DNR regarding ownership of the park.

5. Update on Planting Flowers in Bobber Park

Commissioner Ettesvold stated that she will be working toward getting the flowers in the flower pots by Memorial Weekend.

6. Consider Donation to Paul Bunyan Scenic By-Way

It was the consensus of the Park Commissioners to donate \$250 to the Paul Bunyan Scenic Byway. The Clerk noted that this donation is a budgeted expense in the Park Budget.

7. Park Improvements

Mike Loven informed the Commissioners that the following improvements have been made to the Parks:

- The **Band Shelter** has been sealed
- **Trailside North Park** – Bike racks moved to a more convenient location, PVC pipe cut to ground level, added adult swings
- **Bobber Park** – Will be replacing wood chips
- **Gildner Park** – Added top soil and seed to low spots

8. Park Tours

A. **Trailside Park** - Consensus of the Commission to plant a couple of trees behind a bench to define an area. This will be in honor of Del Anderson from funds donated by his family. Discussion was held regarding keeping the trees smaller so as to not block the view of the businesses. Once the project is complete, we will send a picture and thank you to Del's family.

B. **Gildner Park** – Some suggestions for Gildner Park include the following:

- A small picnic table in the fort for children
- Sandbox
- Another playground piece of equipment
- More swings – possibly a tire swing
- BBQ Grill

9. Other Business

There was no other business.

10. Adjournment

There being no further business, **COMMISSIONER BRUCH MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. COMMISSIONER DOUGHTY SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**

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The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandy Peine  
City Clerk