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PARK COMMISSION MINUTES

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February 4th, 2025

Meeting was called to order at 7:08pm by Roy Blakely.

Present: Roy Blakely, Jason Morneau & John Teiner. Meeting was held in person at the Park Department office (142 South Street). Guest Speakers (Mark Champagne) & Lou LeBlanc – resident.

Roy Blakely made a motion to accept the minutes of December 19th, 2024. Motion was seconded by Jason Morneau. Park Commissioners signed Bills FY25W32E.

Mark Champagne – Wrentham Resident spoke about his and his son (Quinton's) mission and podcasts on the tough time his son went through, and his experience related to coaching to help children be aware of mental health awareness. Their goal and mission are to reach out and connect with children at a vital age and hope to move forward within the community and get involved with parents to help children in the community. Lou LeBlanc talked about CPA and for phase 2 of FOD to put in CPA funding requests and phases to help complete large expensive projects. Strategy for pricing, CPA obligations and smart spending. 5 – 10 years. John Teiner to get figures and prices which are financially responsible. Need to meet with CPC.

At the last meeting 12/19/24 John Teiner presented to the Park Commissioners Phase 2 plans for Field of Dreams (80 School Street) expansion for the future. Full size soccer field (where we can move Plainville town park rec youth soccer program) which Malia grew up playing would be perfect to dedicated and honor Malia Jusczyk after her courage fight and inspiration. MJ the "heart of Plainville".

Park Commissioners were all in favor and stated our 1st priority for this spring 2025 is the sunscreen shield for the Babe Ruth baseball diamond and a new mower. Might need to do fundraising for phase 2 of FOD.

John Teiner presented to the Park Commissioners the facility requests form and Event permit form to the Town of Plainville from Spirit of Plainville (Friend of Plainville Park & Rec). 6 summer concerts in July & Aug. Country fest 8/16/25 and hometown picnic on Sunday June 1st with fireworks. Roy Blakely made a motion to approve all the SOP events at the town park. Motion was seconded by Jason Morneau, all in favor.

PAL President (Mike Roberge) submitted PAL parade dates to the Park Department Saturday 4/26 with a rain-out date Sunday 4/27. Police Chief wants PAL parade to start at FOD to PAL this year. Roy Blakely made a motion to approve PAL parade. Motion was seconded by Jason Morneau, all in favor.

John Teiner presented the Park Commissioners the Park Commissioners/Department Annual Year End Report for FY24. Roy Blakely made a motion to approve the report. Motion was seconded by Jason Morneau, all in favor.

John Teiner requested to name the town park courts (basketball and tennis) after Malia Jusczyk who sadly passed away June 14th of 2023. Way back in 2016 the Jusczyk Family was the main reason we started and completed the major renovation for the courts. The Jusczyk Family donated and fundraised \$7K and USTA grant matched another 7K for the tennis court renovation. Malia loved coming down to the town park courts and playing basketball and tennis with her family even during her treatments and hardest days. Roy Blakely made a motion to name the courts after Malia Jusczyk. Motion was seconded by Jason Morneau, all in favor.

Next Park Department meeting will be held on May 29th, 2025, at 7:00PM.

Roy Blakely made a motion to adjourn at 8:24PM. The motion was seconded by Jason Morneau, all in favor.