

Recreation Commission Regular Meeting
Monday, September 18, 2023
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- 2 The regular Recreation Commission meeting was held Monday September 18 at the Gale Recreation Center starting at 5:00 P.M.
- 3 Members present: Lynn Altadonna, Ryan Thibault, Brett Loomis, Jared Anello, Forrest Shinnars, Lyn Goldsmith, Julian Roscioli-Barren, Dave Rogers, Matt Frazee. Absent: Audience: Michael Diender, Bill Little, Shap Smith, Harry Sheppard, Donna Adams
- 4 **5:00pm called to order. Agenda Approved**
- 5 **LA motioned to approve the minutes BL second**
- 6 **Memorial Park Study Update**
- 7 Black River Design presented a conceptual layout scheme which is combination of the two previous layouts discussed at the last meeting. It included the new rec center, improved traffic and pedestrian circulation, raising grades, keeping 3 baseball fields, new basketball court by the fields, a new smaller playground, storm water treatment, improving the parking and road to back, enclosing the parks operations and new parking and pickleball/tennis courts out in back. There was discussion about a skatepark instead of 4 additional pickleball courts. Neither of which are in the current program but decided it could show as a future option. Discussed need for keeping the 3 baseball fields and Matt indicated that there is current and future demand for all 3 fields. Consensus was positive and people expressed that things are moving in the desired direction. Some concern about basketball court proximity to baseball field, is stream corridor wide enough for buffer, scale park amenities in the design that are not in the program and would drive costs, single building would be more cost effective.
- 8 Some building concepts were also presented including a 2 building design which was well received but presents challenges with cost and supervision. Harry and Matt plan to work with BRD to further develop the plans and bring back to the Rec Com for review prior to presenting to the Selectboard in October. Planning to have next Rec Com meeting on Oct 12 and go to Selectboard on Oct 25.
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- 10 **Town Plan**
- 11 Matt presented the current Town Plan for Recreation. Brett motioned to table further discussion to the October meeting. Matt asked all to review and bring feedback for discussion.
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- 13 **Other business**

7:12p Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted
Matt Frazee