



**Town of Atherton  
PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
March 6th, 2019  
Regular Meeting  
6:30 PM  
Main House  
150 Watkins Ave**

**The meeting was called to order by John Davey at 6:30 p.m.**

**1. ROLL CALL**

Committee Members: Alicia Bakowski, John Davey (Chair), Christine David, Frank Merrill (absent), Perry Narancic, Robert Roeser-excused, Marylue Timpson.

Councilmember Liaisons: Rick DeGolia

Staff: Sally Bentz-Dalton

**2. PUBLIC COMMENTS – For items not on the agenda-**

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – February Minutes**

**Motion: Timpson    Second: Bakowski    PASSED 6-0**

**4. PRESENTATIONS – none**

**5. REGULAR AGENDA-**

**5a. Off leash dog area definition and discussion**

**John Davey and Christine David presented about an off-leash dog area concept. Davey presented the power point on concepts of dog parks and recommended signage examples. David recommended that it is one area for all size of dogs so that they play together. Timpson commented that the proposed location is close to Menlo Park property line. Roeser commented that it is important to get Merrill’s input about the groundcover. DeGolia mentioned that this project would not be able to be looked at or funded till at least 2023 and then Timpson recommended it to be presented to the Foundation as a future project. Roeser commented that this project would need a strong operating budget and if it could be moved further away from the tennis courts as the sound of the dogs would be a distraction. The discussion continued with hours of operation. Davey commented the hours could be limited. DeGolia commented that David and Davey should contact residents maybe by e-mail about use and interest and to come back with an exact diagram and materials. David concluded that the next steps will be to 1) agree on a location 2) determine specs 3) to obtain quotes 4) request council for a budget for this in 20/21. However, it was then discussed to 1) Create the specs 2) Get quotes 3) Test and change size and 4) Start fundraising/find funding sources. Davey and David will come back to a future meeting with more information.**

**5b. Vote on Arbor Day Tree Planting & Kathy Hughes Anderson Memorial Planting**

**Motion: As approved as proposed**

**Motion: Timpson Second: Bakowski PASSED 6-0**

**6. DISCUSSION ITEMS – none**

**7. COMMITTEE AND STAFF MEMBER COMMENTS**

7a. Foundation report: Frank Merrill

**No report**

7b. Friends of the Park report: Alicia Bakowski

**Friends is considering being a committee under the Foundation. Friends needs people to help with the Easter Egg Hunt on April 20<sup>th</sup>. Friends will be hosting a cocktail party for new residents the first Thursday of May.**

7c. Staff – Park goings on reports and Q&A Staff

7d. Park events report Staff

**SET/CONFIRM NEXT MEETING DATE**

Next meeting date: April 3rd, 2019  
Holbrook Palmer Main House  
150 Watkins Ave, Atherton  
6:30 PM – Regular meeting

**9. ADJOURN**

**Motion: Narancic Second: Timpson PASSED 5-0**

The Meeting was adjourned at **7:46 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Bentz-Dalton – Park Manager