



**Town of Atherton  
PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
January 9th, 2019  
Regular Meeting  
6:30 PM  
Main House  
150 Watkins Ave**

**The meeting was called to order by John Davey at 6:33 p.m.**

**1. ROLL CALL**

Committee Members: Alicia Bakowski, John Davey (Chair), Christine David, Frank Merrill, 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 – November Minutes**

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

**4. PRESENTATIONS – Knox Playschool Update – Susan Knox gave an update on the Playschool. It is in its 21<sup>st</sup> year. There are 125 children and 110 families. It is fully enrolled in the morning. The school is open to children 18 month to 5 year olds. There are 9 staff members and 25 of the kids are from Atherton. Susan brought up that there is still an issue with the 15 minute parking, some of the fencing in the yard will need to be repaired and there is a musty smell. Discussion began about the 1970's trailer being old. Low cost replacements were discussed. The committee made a motion to have an expert inspect the trailer and write a report. However, because it was not an agenda item. The motion is void.**

**5. REGULAR AGENDA-**

**No items**

**6. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

6a. Initial presentation/discussion on proposed Dog Park in Holbrook-Palmer Park

**Christine David started the discussion of a new dog park. Davey mentioned that the Master Plan has two off leash areas and \$430,000 was the original quote for the 2 dog areas. DeGolia mentioned that the dog areas are a low priority per the rankings. The committee agreed that the front gate is a higher priority. Staff will check on liability of a dog park and fencing of off leash area. Discussion will continue at a future meeting.**

6b. Staff will give update on Park Projects

**7. COMMITTEE AND STAFF MEMBER COMMENTS**

7a. Foundation report: Frank Merrill

**Merrill stated the Foundation will be prioritizing the fence/art area on the corner of Middlefield and Watkins as a focus project.**

7b. Friends of the Park report: Alicia Bakowski

**Bakowski stated the December tea was successful and over sold. There is interest in having the Town be more involved in the Tea and Egg Hunt. There is a lack of people volunteering their time. The Easter Egg Hunt is set for April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019.**

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

7d. Park events report Staff

**SET/CONFIRM NEXT MEETING DATE**

Next meeting date: February 6th, 2019  
Holbrook Palmer Main House  
150 Watkins Ave, Atherton  
6:30 PM – Regular meeting

**Arbor Day/Memorial, Capital Circulation Project, Train Noise**

**9. ADJOURN**

**Motion: Davey Second: David PASSED 5-0**

The Meeting was adjourned at **7:38 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Bentz-Dalton – Park Manager