



**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.

