

The Waltham Recreation Board held a Special Meeting on July 29, 2020. The meeting was held via Zoom.

Present were: Patricia Curtin, Richard Scanlon, Stacey Tully, Gary Vallerand and Jerry Walker. Absent were Wayne Cook, Tom Creonte, John Graceffa and Jennie Scafidi.

Also present were Director, Nick Abruzzi and Assistant Director, Kim Scott.

Chairperson Richard Scanlon called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. He announced that the meeting was being recorded through the Zoom app and would be shared to WCAC, Waltham's cable channel and would be shown on the local channel at a later date.

Director Abruzzi introduced Peter Hedlund of Hedlund Design Group as well as Brian Kuchar from Horsley Witten Group. He explained that the goal of the project was to improve the safety of the lower level (base area), focus on the drainage issues as well as added recreational amenities while creating a welcoming flow to the Park. Director Abruzzi noted that the Directors of many City Departments have already reviewed these plans. The goal, for this Park, is to have many future phases of improvements.

Mr. Hedlund then discussed the proposed plan in greater detail. The new design would call for improvements to the parking lot as well as provide improved vehicle circulation. There would be one main entrance/exit onto Totten Pond Road. The amenities, along one side of the Park, would include a water spray park, children's playground area, picnic area, pavilion, multipurpose half court and a gaga pit. A small sledding hill would also be created in the far side of the field. Kiosks would also be added for additional communication. Several bio retention areas would be formalized to assist with controlling and slowing down the water flow.

The Board had several questions regarding the redesign of the parking area, new amenities, signage and requested further explanation of the drainage plan. It was noted that building improvements were not a part of this plan, but in recent years, the roof on all three building has been replaced.

A motion was made by Gary Vallerand to approve the base area design for improvements at Prospect Hill Park. This motion was seconded by Stacey Tully. All were in favor.

A roll call was requested to approve the Prospect Hill Park base area capital improvement project design.

Board Member	Yes	No	Absent
Wayne Cook			X
Tom Creonte			X
Patricia Curtin	X		
John Graceffa			X
Richard Scanlon	X		
Jennie Scafidi			X
Stacey Tully	X		
Gary Vallerand	X		
Jerry Walker	X		
	Total: (5)	Total: (0)	Total: (4)

A motion to adjourn was made by Tricia Curtin and seconded by Stacey Tully. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kimberly A. Scott
Assistant Director