

**PARKS COMMISSIONERS**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**MASON LIBRARY**  
**COMMUNITY ROOM**  
**231 MAIN STREET**  
**GREAT BARRINGTON, MA 01230**  
**FEBRUARY 11, 2019**  
**5:00 P.M.**

**PRESENT:**

**KAREN SMITH, CHAIR – NOT PRESENT**

**PAUL GIBBONS – VICE CHAIR**

**THOMAS NORTON**

**PATRICIA SALVI**

**ILANA SIEGAL**

**STEPHEN BANNON**

**CHARLES BOUTEILLER- NOT PRESENT**

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. Minutes of January 14, 2019

**MOTION:** Stephen Bannon to approve.

**SECOND:** Tom Norton

**VOTE:** 5-0

2. **PARKS USAGE REQUESTS:**

None

3. **PARKS CARE AND MAINTENANCE:**

A. Updates from Sean VanDeusen, DPW Superintendent – No updates as Sean was not present.

4. **OLD BUSINESS:**

A. 5 Year Capital Plan/Discussion of operating budget – not discussed.

5. **NEW BUSINESS:**

Park Requests:

Notices were send to Babe Ruth, Little League, Girls Softball and Great Barrington Millers about attending the March meeting.

6. **CITIZEN SPEAK:**

A. None

7. **COMMISSIONERS SPEAK:**

Ilana noted she will meet with Christine Ward and Berkshire South regarding redoing the rules sign at the Lake Mansfield beach area. This will be on the March agenda.

It was noted that Ken Roht is no longer interested in joining the Parks Commissioners. Stephen Bannon advised that Bill Meier voiced interest. An e-mail will be sent to him asking for a letter of interest and to attend the March 11 meeting so the commissioners can make a recommendation to the Select Board.

Paul Gibbons said he received correspondence from Nick Diller asking how much money was put aside for the Dewey Park. Paul said he corresponded with Sean and advised Nick that no money had been put aside yet because there has to be a vote in May at a Town Meeting to approve the appropriation. Nick was told that he and his group need to come up with a plan.

Paul requested that Berkshire South and the Railroad Street Youth Project be sent an e-mail in regard to attending the March meeting.

Tom Norton spoke in regard to the Bike Path Council Meeting that he had attended. He said there are other organizations that take part in that. Berkshire Regional Planning Commission has a regular member as well as Mass DPW. Tom noted that he thought Chris Rembold was involved. At the last meeting they were discussing the expanding their mission. They want to include other towns that might be interested and an assortment of different trails.

Liz asked if there was a map available of the different parks in town. It was thought that a map may be in the Master Plan. If there is, it could be added to the Parks Commissioners page on the website.

The meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Carolyn Wichmann  
Recording Secretary