

Parks and Recreation Committee
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, April 15, 2004
Durham Town Hall – Council Chambers

Attending: Committee members: Ken Andersen, Denny Byrne, Jane Crooks, Jerry Needell, John Parry, Frank Pilar, and Melanie Rose as well as Director of Public Works Mike Lynch and several UNH students.

I. The Minutes of March 18, 2004 were approved.

II. Public Comments.

There were none.

III. Discussion Items

Several vendors of playground equipment previously selected by a subcommittee (Denny Byrne, Jane Crooks, John Parry and Mike Lynch) gave oral presentations regarding replacement equipment for the Woodridge recreation site:

7:00 - 7:40 Miracle Recreation, Bob Petteinelli, Carl Frederick

7:50 - 8:30 Gametime, Doug Knotts, Marturano Recreation Company

8:40 - 9:20 Landscape Structures, Thomas Civiello, O'Brien & Sons Inc.

The presentations were 40 minutes long with 30 minutes for presentations and 10 minutes for questions/answers followed by 10 minutes for the Committee to share thoughts on each presentation without the vendor being present. Thomas Civiello was not able to attend, so Mike Lynch gave a brief summary for him based on a conversation the two held earlier.

The subcommittee of Denny Byrne, Jane Crooks, John Parry and Mike Lynch will meet on April 19 to follow up. Miracle and Landscape Structures will be asked to develop a design and proposal for the playground. Input from a parent/child group will be sought. A final recommendation will be brought back to the full Parks and Recreation Committee. With the approval of the full Parks and Recreation Committee, this vendor will be asked to submit a proposal for the playground.

IV. New Business

Denny Byrne and Mike Lynch gave an update on the skateboard park. The possible site at Jackson's Landing may have wetland implications, so these

concerns must be addressed. A possible secondary site would be Woodridge field area.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth K. Andersen, chair