



## City Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes from Thursday, March 15, 2018

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The meeting was called to order @ 6:10 by Chairman Elinor Mount-Simmons. In attendance were Mark Milliken, Elinor Mount-Simmons, Robin Vroegrop, and Tasia Walker. A motion to adopt the Agenda was offered by Robin and seconded by Mark. The Chair reviewed minutes from both the January and February meetings and following this review, they were approved w/ a motion from Robin and second from Mark. The Body then addressed Business Matters.

*Old Business items: Reports referencing the \$200,000 DOT Beautification Grant and Boat Rental Delinquencies were not available due to member absences or information not available, so both were tabled until the April meeting.*

*Scipio Creek: The boardwalk has been pressure-washed. Concerns also mentioned as to who actually owns it and who maintains it.*

*Hendel's/Porter Park: Josh Stephens of Preble Rish gave presentation about the planned projects at Battery Park, which include new bathrooms, repairing the seawall and deepening the boat basin. Laying out blueprints, Stephens shared information about the process and answered questions. Once preliminary work is completed, i.e., blueprint approvals, permits, etc., building will begin presumably after the November seafood festival. Discussion w/ questions coming forth from the committee. After digesting info from Stephens, he was thanked for attending and sharing the information. Following his departure, the meeting continued. Additional Battery Park discussion included addressing the current outside bathrooms, water fountain placement, adding shade trees and benches, designated parking, and problematic situations in the community center, i.e., front doors not functioning correctly, electrical outlet plates broken and/or missing, and building maintenance. With these matters reviewed, it was agreed that our review of Hendel's/Porter Park was finished. Secretary Diane will be directed to create a comprehensive report of all our findings and we will present report to an upcoming City Commissioner's meeting, most likely April or May.*

*New Business items: Several topics were addressed, namely:*

*\*MainStreet Grant-\$70K for beautification. It was mentioned that we should have input on this if money will be used to beautify any of our parks. It was decided to invite MainStreet rep to next meeting.*

*\*FDRAP Grant-when is next grant cycle?*

*\*Arbor Day Event-observance of this will be held Sat, Mar 24, 9-11am. John Solomon (Chamber of Commerce) will be planting a tree.*

*After all matters had been discussed, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm. Our next meeting will be Thursday, April 19, 2018.*

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