

**Dawson Recreation Complex Committee**  
Recreation Department Conference Room  
1420 Main Street, Holden, MA  
February 14, 2023  
Minutes

**Attendees:** David White, Chairman; David Murphy, Vice Chairman; Peg Daley, Secretary; Angela Greene, Recreation Director; Jason Guamond, Jason Villnave, Sean Xenos, Don Graves, Brad Stone, Patrick Wood, DPW

**Absent:** David Murphy, Vice Chairman; Sean Xenos

**Also in attendance:** Amanda Gaal, W&S

**Call to Order:** 6:30pm by David White

David met with the Holden police and fire chiefs to discuss the following concerns of the chiefs:

- EV parking needs to be addressed. It can be installed as an underground infrastructure or a grant can be applied for. Installing the EV parking should be done as part of the project and not later as it will be needed to be in place for tournament accommodation and travel teams, 24/7.
- Security is necessary for the snack restaurant and pavilion. All unanimously agree to not fence it in as it may be used as a dog park which is undesirable. The chiefs agree pathway and boardwalk lighting is not necessary. Cameras and 911 phones and up to 6 AED's located outside are necessary as is Level 1 power charging.

David stated that the scheduled completion at the end of August is way too long; Amanda explained that the permitting process is the reason the time line is so long, explaining in detail some of the permitting issues. The Town wants it finished by November or sooner.

Other issues discussed were:

- Consideration of older residents walking around all fields, not just the playing fields.
- The need to ask Chief Hall about public access concerns. There is a 12-foot vertical height difference between the ballfields and walkway; eliminating fencing is being considered but either fencing or a retaining wall will be needed if drop is too high; discussion ensued about what type of retaining materials may be used.
- Location of the water and sewer on Industrial Drive should be identified soon.

**Motion to adjourn** made by Jason Villnave at 8:05 PM. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tina McAndrew  
Secretary