

Londonderry Town Parks
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Agenda

The Londonderry Parks Board will meet on **Monday, September 23rd @ 5:00pm at the Town Hall (139 Middletown Rd, Londonderry) and on zoom.**

Join Zoom Meeting <https://zoom.us/j/99210793068>

1. Call the meeting to order.
 - a. *Elizabeth called the meeting to order at 5:02pm. In attendance, Elizabeth, Andy, Steve, Marge, Taylor (Zoom), Chad (Zoom), Liam, PUBLIC: Joel Jordan, Melissa Hart (zoom)*
2. Additions and deletions.
 - a. *No Additions or deletions*
3. Public comment/visitors.
 - a. *No public comments.*
4. Minutes approval.
 - a. *Approval motioned by Steve, Marge seconded, motion carries*
5. Kelly's Resignation / Applications
 - a. *Steve motioned to approve Elizabeth as Parks Board Chair, Marge Seconded, discussion: none, motion carried.*
 - b. *Marge motioned to approve Steve as the Parks representative to the MTR Advisory Committee, Andy seconded, discussion: none, motion carried.*
 - c. *Marge made a motion to recommend Joel to the Selectboard, Steve seconded, discussion: Joel Jordan, spoke about his desire to be transparent that he and his business partner already are hired by the parks board to provide sound for Music Mondays. Marge told him, when the contract comes up again, Joel will recuse himself and not vote. Motion carried.*
 - d. *Discussion to ask Selectboard to recognize Kelly's years and years of dedication to Londonderry Parks with unanimous support. Elizabeth offered to write a letter, as well, Liam will bring up to the Selectboard.*
 - e. *Discussion about taking minutes. Marge reluctantly offered.*
6. Signs
 - a. *Signs are paid for, delivered, and look great. Will be installed before winter.*
7. Plowing Bid Update
 - a. *2 bids, Dryden and Alberti, significantly different costs. Steve began discussion about plowing parks in the winter and cost for unknown use of the parks. Offered we do it one more year with monitoring or stop all together. Chad believes the cost is "on par" and discussed the need to plow regularly or not at all, occasionally is not an option due to wear and tear on equipment. Recommended parking on side of roads near Memorial if need to hike and save the town money. Marge and Andy spoke about closing date and notification to the public. Steve*

spoke to being okay to closing and if we are wrong, we will hear about it from the public. Also, asked about a set closing date versus a weather-based date, ie. Nice weather and tennis/pickleball still being able to play. Liam spoke to being okay with manning the gates and allowing recreation as long as possible. Also mentioned that tennis/pickleball nets will be pulled for the winter at some point. Elizabeth mentioned that first snow could equal nets being pulled. Steve asked about bid prices from Dryden for Pingree (\$1400) and considered what that looks like spread out over taxpayers. \$1000 for Memorial, he mentioned solid no on that. Group discussion about potential usage and Liam taking brunt of complaints if there are any. Liam mentioned using game cameras to monitor usage at parks for winter. Marge motions to close Pingree (first snow) & Memorial (no later than Oct 1st) and not plow during winter, Chad second, discussion: none, motion carried.

8. Memorial Park Shutdown

- a. *Liam: currently closed for pond draining, need new locks for both park gates. Recommendation from Joel (who scrapped pond in spring) to spray pond muck down as draining. S. Londonderry Fire Dept, willing to facilitate on their training night. Taylor: Draining can take about a day, can open in morning to line up timing for FD. Taylor volunteered pulling the drain.*

9. Benches / Picnic tables

- a. *Concerned citizen (Jim Wilbur) reached out about condition of benches at Williams (as are tables at Buxton). Moved onto Liam's list for end of fall or beginning of spring. Marge: contact Jillian Joyce for BBA students*

10. Pingree Pavilion – Timer Dial

- a. *Liam: would we want to invest in timer dial to minimize potential of lights being left on. Taylor: estimate switch cost at \$25-30. Tabled conversation due to shutting off power if closed for winter.*

11. Pickleball / Tennis Policy

- a. *Liam: Finally heard conflict so a policy might be in our future. Advantage has dropped off communication for rebuild. Reached out to competitor to start ball rolling.*

12. Roofing Bid Update

- a. *Liam: Bid proposal has been sent to Shane with list of three different companies who expressed interest.*

13. Set next meeting.

- a. *Wednesday Oct. 30th 5:30pm*

14. Adjourn.

- a. *Steve motion to adjourn, Chad second, motion carried.*