

**City of Concord Recreation and Parks Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes from March 16, 2017 Meeting**

Committee Members: Lauren Flieder, Mary Miller (Chair), City Counselor Candace Bouchard, City Councilor Gail Matson and Althea Barton

Staff Members: David Gill, Parks and Recreation Director, Laura Bryant, Recreation Supervisor,

Guest: Maria Wilkinson, Martin Toe and Rosel from Change for Concord

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm. Mary welcomed all guests and staff members.

Candace made a motion to accept minutes from the February 2017 meeting, seconded it, approved.

New Business:

Martin Toe & Maria Wilkinson discuss Change for Concord Letter

Maria Wilkinson explained what their group is about and what they are hoping to achieve. Change for Concord is a group of young adults from the Heights area who are looking for things to do other than turning to drugs and alcohol for entertainment. Mainly they are hoping to improve the condition of Keach Park. They asked RPAC for the following:

- Trash bins (they are in because of winter)
- Recycling bins
- Basketball/Tennis courts resurfaced
- Lights on soccer field

They would also like to put together a community service day. They would like to involve residents and businesses on the Heights in this effort.

David Gill addressed all Maria's questions and suggested she get in touch with the Friends of White Park for more information on forming their group. We also discussed attending one of their weekly meetings at 4 Park St.

Candace Bouchard suggested they get involved with the Freedom City group.

Rollins Park Update

David Gill asked that all RPAC members drive by Rollins Park and check it out since the trees have been removed. There was a discussion about how to replace the trees. Candace Bouchard mentioned she had heard some complaints about the stumps. The next meeting will be held at Rollins to park to further discuss the next stages of this project.

Terrill Park Update

No change, discussion about what type of turf would be best. Design completed by late fall.

Candace Bouchard adjourned the meeting at 6:50 pm

Respectfully submitted by
Recreation Supervisor, Laura Bryant