



Facilities Naming Committee
December 27, 2017
Draft Minutes
City Hall, 1st Floor Conference Room
12:00 p.m.

1. Councilor Nyhan called the meeting to order at 12:08 p.m.

Councilors Nyhan, Coen and Shurtleff were present.

2. Deputy City Clerk Michelle Mulholland provided a brief overview of the property.

3. Council Referral to Facilities Naming Committee

- Communication from Matthew R. St. Onge asking that consideration be made to naming the park at the intersection of Canal Street and McCoy Street Twin Bridges Park.

Councilor Coen recognized the importance of individuals bringing up items of historical significance. He indicated that historically, requests come in to name parks after citizens that have made significant contributions to the city. He can see signage or a historical marker with a photo of the Twin Bridges but is not in favor of naming it the Twin Bridges Park.

Councilor Shurtleff stated that he has been approached by several individuals who would like to see something memorialized in honor of former Mayor Veroneau. He noted his agreement with Councilor Coen in regards to placing a marker and signage in honor of the former Twin Bridges.

Councilor Nyhan noted that the committee sees a lot of requests for people who may or may not have had an impact on the community. He likes the idea of a historical marker memorializing the Twin Bridges.

Councilor Coen understands the historical value of this property but personally feels that signage would be more appropriate in place of naming the park.

Brief discussion occurred in regards to the location; it was noted that the parcel is located within two communities: Concord and Boscawen.

Councilor Nyhan moved to not recommend naming this parcel of land Twin Bridges Park but feels it is more appropriate to place a historic marker outlining the history of the Twin Bridges. He further moved to send the Facilities Naming Committee's recommendation to the Recreation and Parks Advisory Committee to consider the placement of a historical marker rather than naming of the Twin Bridges Park. The motion was duly seconded and passed with no dissenting votes.

Councilor Coen pointed out that the committee's charge is to review the request and make recommendations to the Council.

Councilor Shurtleff noted his reluctance to naming this parcel since it is owned by two different communities. He feels comfortable with placing a historical mark on the Concord side of the property.

Councilor Nyhan stated that the committee does not recommend naming the property at this time as outlined by Councilor Shurtleff's concern that the property is owned by more than one community.

4. Scheduling of next meeting. No additional meeting was scheduled.
5. Councilor Shurtleff moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:24 p.m.

A true copy: I attest:

*Michelle Mulholland
Deputy City Clerk*