

Wallingford Parks & Recreation Commission
Special Meeting Agenda
Wallingford Parks & Recreation Building
6 Fairfield Blvd. Wallingford, CT 06492
September 2, 2026 @ 5:30 P.M.
Room 4

Meeting was called to order at 5:39pm.

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call
 - **Commissioners in Attendance:** Don Crouch, Steve Rossacci, Dave Anderson, Lori Cooke Marra
 - **Recreation Staff in Attendance:** Kenny Michaels and Shawn Keogh
3. Public Comments (10 minutes total time)
 - None

4. Approval of Minutes May 13, 2026

- Motion made by Dave Anderson to amend the May 13th minutes to to include the discussion that Kenny Michaels was elected to the Board of Directors for the Connecticut Parks and Recreation Association. Second by Lori Cooke-Marra. Unanimously approved.

- Motion made by Steve Rossacci to approve the May 13th minutes as amended. Second by Lori Cooke-Marra. Unanimously approved.

5. Reports

a. Director

- Director Report attached. Kenny reviewed his report.

b. Project Updates

i. Community Pool Park

-Pool construction is ongoing. Conduits are being run for cameras to be installed in the future. Kenny is meeting with IT to determine the best method for cameras. Project is estimated to be completed in the fall of 2026 and ready to be opened in 2027.

ii. Park Analysis

- Kenny discussed several parks in town and how this can start the discussion on a master plan for the town parks. Analysis is attached.

c. Chairman

-none

6. Old Business

- Steve Rossacci asked about the Summer Basketball League that is run by the Boys & Girls Club after an incident that occurred this past summer. The players involved in the incident were removed from the league and the league was allowed to continue as normal.

-Dave asked about the letter to the mayor regarding bow hunting that was discussed at the February meeting. It was discussed at past meetings, but the letter was not sent by the commission. Don will send a letter with the corresponding minutes from the February meeting.

7. New Business

a. Discussion: Community Pool Program Fees

- Kenny reviewed the original plan of pool passes from the Pool Committee in 2019 and fees that are charged in surrounding towns. The commission discussed some possibilities of future pool passes. The commission would like to see residents only for at least the first year of the pool. The splash pad will be open to the public. Kenny has also been working on the possibility of soliciting sponsorships to offset the costs of some of the features at the pool. The commission will brainstorm and bring back their thoughts on fees to the next meeting.

8. Commission Around Town

a. Comments/Concerns

- Dave Anderson wanted to give props to Bob Kilpatrick and Max Robbins on the Fall 2026 brochure. He really enjoys the way the brochure looks and thinks it's a great product.

-Lori asked about the watering at Vets Field. She noticed the sprinklers were on during rain, there are no sensors to shut the sprinklers off. DPW manually shuts them off when they can when it is raining.

9. Adjournment

-Motion made to adjourn by Lori Cooke-Marra. Second by Dave Anderson. All in favor
Meeting adjourned at 7:39pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Shawn Keogh
Recreation Superintendent