

**AGENDA**  
*(REVISED FEBRUARY 14, 2023)*  
**PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**VIA INTERNET & CONFERENCE CALL**  
**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2023**  
**6:30 P.M.**

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- Sign-up for Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting updates by emailing [lcapp@stamfordct.gov](mailto:lcapp@stamfordct.gov).

**Web Meeting Ground Rules:**

- The meeting shall be recorded and the video shall be posted on the City of Stamford website [http://cityofstamford.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view\\_id=9](http://cityofstamford.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=9)
- The Parks & Recreation Commission shall moderate the audio for attendees.
- Attendees shall be on mute and will be unmuted when called to speak by the Commission members.
- Attendees will have 20 minutes to make their presentation or address the Commission.
- Any Attendee wishing to submit materials or a written statement can send it prior to the meeting to [lcapp@stamfordct.gov](mailto:lcapp@stamfordct.gov) or submit through a Chat message to the Commission Chair during the meeting.

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**CALL TO ORDER:**

- **Public Participation Session:** Each individual requesting to speak shall send a Chat Message to the Chair stating their name and address for the record. Public participation comments shall be limited to 3 minutes.
- Review of the January 18, 2023 Regular Meeting Draft Minutes.

### **SPECIAL EVENTS:**

- No Special Events.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- **John Barrot - Stamford Rugby Club:** Seeking to become a sanctioned organization by the City of Stamford.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- **Sustainable Playing Fields & Playgrounds:** Follow up from October 6, 2022 Special Meeting & January 18, 2023 Regular Meeting. Continued discussions from previous meetings.
- **League Sanctioning Policy Review.** (*Tabled from the November 16, 2022 Meeting*)

### **TOURNAMENTS:**

- No Tournaments.

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

- No Correspondence or as may properly be introduced before the Commission.

### **STAFF REPORTS:**

- Kevin Murray, Director of Parks & Recreation: Parks & Recreation Update.

### **DISCUSSION:**

- **Paul Newman - Parks Strategic Plan.**
- **Melanie Hollas - Board of Representatives Resolution No. 4159:** Encouraging the Mayor to Allocate Funds to the FY2023/2024 Budget to Better Manage and Care for Trees on City Property. Possible support letter to Mayor Simmons.
- **Melanie Hollas - Update on NIPS Fund Money and How it will be used.**
- **Melanie Hollas - Barrett Park:** Update on Public Hearing.
- **Update of Parks & Recreation Commission Strategic Goals for 2023/2024 as follows:**
  - Mr. Newman and Ms. Hollas: Friends Groups. Discussion of the draft Friends Group Agreement.
  - Ms. Hollas: Invasive Species initiative. Discussion of *RFP #899 - Citywide Parks Invasive Species Plan* which is requesting proposals from qualified consultants to provide a comprehensive evaluation/maintenance plan of the City of Stamford's parks invasive plant species.
  - Mr. Newman: Baseball and field usage.
  - Mr. Tedder and Ms. Katz: Foundation and the City website.
  - Mr. Tedder: Dog Park at Scofieldtown Park.
  - Ms. Adetola and Mr. Murray: Setup of pickleball courts and working with pickleball and tennis players.
  - All Commissioners: Ideas for any additional items for 2023/2024 Strategic Goals.
- **Application and Waiver Agreement for volunteer groups to work in the City parks.**