

**Killingworth Park and Recreation Commission
Special Meeting February 20, 2013**

The Killingworth Park and Recreation Commission held a special informational meeting for Killingworth residents on Wednesday, February 20, 2013, at 7:00 PM at the Haddam-Killingworth Middle School, Route 81, Killingworth, Connecticut. Because a quorum of commission members was not present, no official meeting was called to order and no official business was conducted.

Present: Dan Colonia
Cathy Iino, First Selectwoman
Absent: Scot Thomas
Sallyanne Bauer
Glen Johnson
Rob Grasso
Bill Burley

Visitors:	Charles and Gregory Lynskey	Peg Scofield
	Ed Merola	Dan Glynn
	Chris Nepoletano	Sean Connelly
	Don Venuti	Tim Venuti
	Jim Clemente	Scott Erskine

Chairman Dan Colonia welcomed visitors to the informational meeting and presented details of the proposed re-design of Sheldon Park, a copy of which presentation is attached to this meeting summary. Discussion followed many slides and questions were answered as they arose, as follows:

Dan explained that Sheldon Park was built about 30 years ago and is now in poor condition. He further stated that KRP was opened in the Spring of 2012, with 4 multi-purpose fields, and Rocco Field was improved with landscape upgrades and drainage projects and now it is Sheldon Park's turn to be renovated.

The question was posed of how KRP fields are holding up and Dan elaborated that the facility is impressive: stone walls at entrance are beautiful, there is good parking and visitors are surrounded with green fields and trees in the background. He noted that there are a few worn spots on the fields, mostly in high use areas in front of goals, but stated that Eric Auer is overseeing field maintenance and will work to improve these few areas.

Dan then discussed money the commission has already saved by Nemergut Consulting completing the design work at a very reduced rate and Glenn Johnson volunteering countless hours in engineering and preparing the bid documents. Timing of the project was questioned and Dan informed the group that the first draft of the bid documents went to the Board of Selectmen and he hopes to go out to bid within the next month and a half. He further explained that the project must go to a Town Meeting to be approved and that all interested parties must attend the meeting and vote.

Irrigation was then discussed, and the possibility of using water from the pond versus drilling a new well was questioned. Dan explained that the existing well is not sufficient to service an irrigation system, so a new well will be investigated. Discussion followed. Skating on the pond was also questioned and Dan stated that the planned concrete pad could house a portable skating pond. Cathy Iino added that the Lions Club owns such a portable pond and is just waiting for a location to erect it.

The issues of restrooms and lighting were also questioned. Dan explained that neither restrooms nor lighting are included in the initial plan but could be added at a later date. The group then discussed the possibility of laying water pipes and conduit while the facility is under construction and already excavated to allow such additions to be added later at a lower cost. Dan noted that he would never support the installation of lighting at KRP. He would, however, consider lighting Sheldon Park or Rocco Field which are located in more commercial areas and would bring it before Planning and Zoning Commission. Detailed discussion of lighting and costs followed, and KYL representatives voiced their satisfaction with 3 well-constructed fields with irrigation, even without lighting.

The inclusion of only one girls' softball field was questioned, citing the inequality between the number of boys' and girls' fields in town. In-depth discussion followed. The possibility of including a skinned field with a removable pitcher's mound to be used by both boys and girls was also discussed. Dan assured the group that KYL representatives were consulted throughout the design process and KYL's needs were addressed.

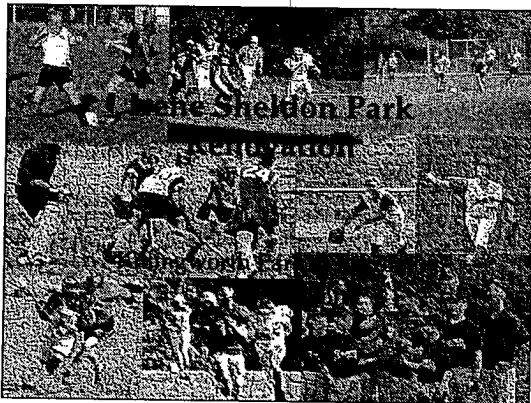
Other topics discussed included the concession stand and health regulations, additional parking between pavilion and Route 80 and existing drainage issues.

Dan concluded his presentation and thanked the Park and Recreation Commission members and recording secretary, the Board of Selectmen, Finance Director Regina Regolo and Administrative Assistant Elizabeth Disbrow for their help in getting the project to this point. He also thanked Eric Auer and Nemergut Consulting for their support.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn R. Mooney
Recording Secretary

Attachment



Irene Sheldon Park



- Needs To Be Refurbished
- Overused Playing Surfaces
- Inadequate Parking
- No Irrigation
- Aging Fencing
- Crumbling Dugouts

KP&R Commission Master Plan



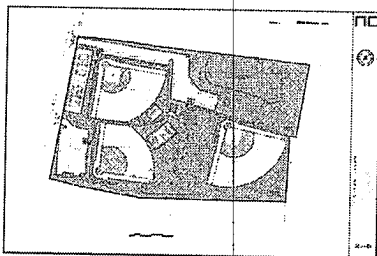
- Soccer, Lacrosse & Football using KRP
- Fencing, Drainage & Infield Improvements At Rocco Reale
- It's Time to Renovate Irene Sheldon Park

Design, Permitting & Funding



- Ideas And Sketches
- Nemergut Consulting
- Permitting
- STEAP Grant \$400K
- Existing Capital Funds \$150K
- Future Capital Funds

The Design

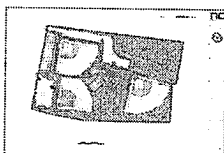


Athletic Fields



- Two Little League Fields
- One Softball Field
- One Basketball Court
- Two Tennis Courts
- Open Platform
- Horseshoe Area
- ADA Accessible Paths
- Irrigation

Access Road & Parking



- Widen Driveway
- Two Parking Areas
- Gravel Parking & Aisles
- 122 Parking Spots
- Six Paved ADA Spots

Other & Future Features

- New Concession & Storage Building
- Keep The Pond
- Keep The Pavilion
- Keep The Playground
- ADA Playground (Future)

Expected Costs

- Engineering Estimates \$700,000
- Bid Project To Vet Real Costs
- Defer Construction Of Basketball, Tennis Or Open Platform If Bids Exceed Budget
- Maintenance Costs

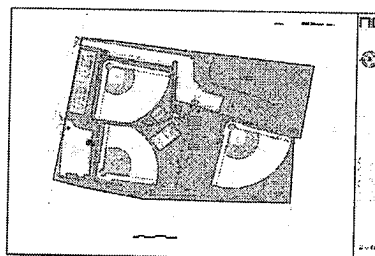
Schedule

- Vet Real Costs
- Approval From BOS
- Approval From BOF
- Approval From Town Residents
- Award Contract
- Start Construction

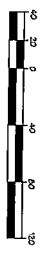
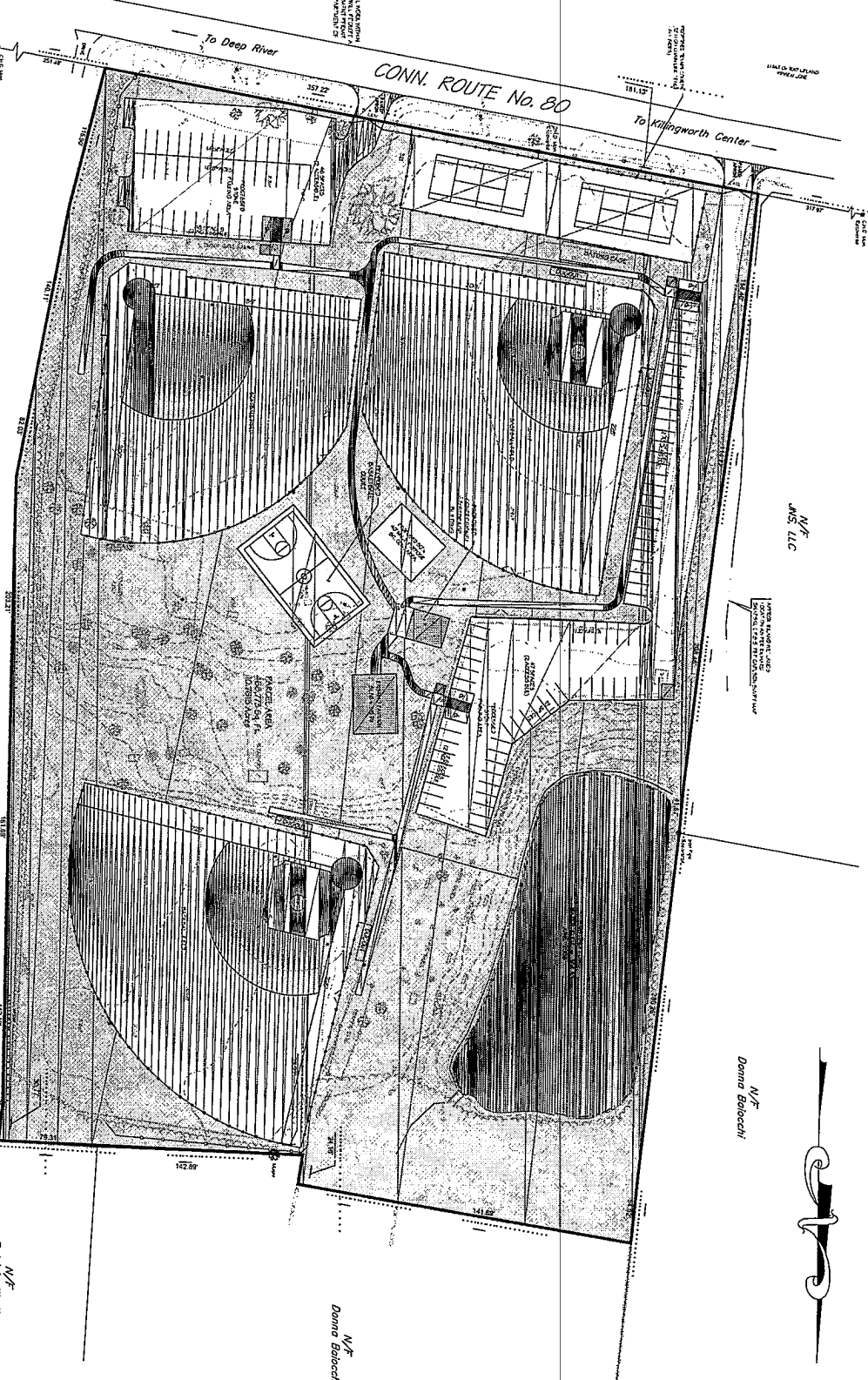
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| ■ Sallyanne Bauer | ■ Bill Burley | ■ Catherine Iino |
| ■ Bob Grasso | ■ Glenn Johnson | ■ Louis Annino |
| ■ Scot Thomas | ■ Bill Silas | ■ Fred Dudek |
| ■ Dawn Mooney | ■ Elizabeth Disbrow | ■ Richard Cabral |
| | ■ Gina Regolo | |
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- Nemergut Consulting
 - Eric Auer

The Design



NOT TO SCALE
 THIS PLAN IS FOR INFORMATION ONLY AND IS NOT TO BE USED FOR CONSTRUCTION. ALL DIMENSIONS AND LOCATIONS ARE APPROXIMATE AND SHOULD BE VERIFIED BY FIELD SURVEY. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR OBTAINING ALL NECESSARY PERMITS AND REGULATIONS FROM THE CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES.



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- LEGEND:**
- EXISTING CONDUIT
 - PROPOSED CONDUIT
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OVERALL PLAN

SHELEDON PARK RENOVATION
 PROPOSED BASEBALL FIELD
 IMPROVEMENTS
 ROUTE 80
 KILLINGWORTH CONNECTICUT

DATE: 6-27-12
 DRAWN BY: J.A.M.
 SCALE: 1" = 40'
 SHEET: 2 OF 6

DATE: 4-19-12
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