

**TOWN OF DARIEN
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
SHORT LANE COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING
MARCH 31, 2015**

ATTENDANCE: Lorene Bora (Chair), Marc Ioli, Amy Doering, Mary Flynn

The meeting was called to order at 7:36 p.m.

The minutes of the February 4, 2015 Special Meeting of the committee were reviewed. There being no changes, a motion was made to approve (Ioli) and seconded; approved 3-0-1

The minutes of the March 10, 2015 Public Hearing were reviewed. There being no changes, a motion was made to approve (Ioli) and seconded; approved 4-0.

There was a general discussion regarding the input from the public meeting; speakers present were all in favor of passive uses. Ms. Bora reported that subsequent to the meeting that two letters were received, both in favor of using the property for a town pool. The letters have been shared with the committee members. Ms. Flynn reported that Darien Junior Sailing has been asked to attend the next meeting of the Parks & Recreation Commission to provide an update regarding their fund raising to construct a new building for their program. As proposed, the building would be in the area of Weed Beach Park which is contiguous to the Short Lane Parcel. At this time it is reported that DJST has not raised sufficient funds for the project.

The committee reviewed the "Request for Proposals for the Development of Weed Beach Park Master Plan" dated February 28, 2005 which was supplied by Jim Coghlan (Interim Director Parks & Recreation Department). The committee agreed that the document could serve as a close template for the RFP which must be developed for professional services needed for the project. Marc Ioli agreed that he would mark up the existing RFP, and then circulate it for review and further revision by the committee members. The committee will plan to finalize its work on the RFP at the next meeting on April 21 so that it can be submitted to the town staff for their review.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:41

Respectfully submitted,

Lorene Bora, Chair

Short Lane Committee

Meeting Schedule:

- April 21- Room 119 Darien Town Hall
- May 5 – Room 119 Darien Town Hall
- June 2 – Paddle Hut, Weed Beach Park
- July 7 – Paddle Hut, Weed Beach Park