

**Minutes of the Newburyport Parks Commission
16 June 2016**

Call to order at 6:12 p.m.

A quorum was present.

In attendance: Kim Turner, Steve Sawyer, Ann Dykes, Karen Popken

Also in attendance: Lisë Reid, Michael Hennessey

Motion to waive the rules to take the agenda out of order by Commissioner Sawyer, seconded by Commissioner Popken. So voted on a unanimous voice vote.

BUDGET /EXPENDITURES REVIEW

Approve payables

May 1 and June 1 bills were approved by signing.

MEETING MINUTES REVIEW

Motion to approve May 2016 meeting minutes by Commissioner Turner, seconded by Commissioner Sawyer. So voted on a unanimous voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Issues

Inn Street signage wording approval

The commission reviewed wording and design for the Inn Street Fountain signage warning people to stay off the columns and other required postings. **Motion to approve the Inn Street Fountain signage by Commissioner Turner, seconded by Commissioner Popken. So voted on a unanimous voice vote.**

Rail Trail seating – granite blocks as bench replacements

Commissioners discussed a proposal to use granite blocks in lieu of benches when a bench breaks on the Clipper City Rail Trail. Commissioners advised replacing broken benches with the same bench.

Receive correspondence – pickle ball proposal

The commission received a proposal to install a pickleball court. Motion to table the proposal by Commissioner Dykes, seconded by Commissioner Turner. So voted on a unanimous voice vote.

Re-design of Three Roads Intersection Plantings

Commissioners asked that Friends of Newburyport Trees and Tree Commission to review a planting plan and costs for the three roads intersection plantings.

Mayor Gayden W. Morrill Charitable Foundation project review and recommendations

The commission discussed the applications to the Mayor Gayden W. Morrill Charitable Foundation.

Meeting adjourned 7:25 p.m.