

**SUFFIELD PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION**  
**MONTHLY MEETING**  
**March 1, 2022**

The Suffield Parks & Recreation Commission held a special meeting on Tuesday, March 1, 2022 in the conference room, Town Hall, 83 Mountain Rd., Suffield, CT. Zoom was also available for those who wished not to attend in person.

ATTENDANCE: .....Brian Casinghino, Chairman  
.....Bill Boucher, Vice Chairman (Zoom)  
.....Andrew Joly (Zoom)  
.....Sam Lombardo (Zoom)  
.....David Rusnock (Zoom)

ABSENT: .....Stephanie Dolan  
.....Jay Bombard  
.....Steve Marchillo  
.....Anthony Migliozi

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: .....Peter Leclerc, Director  
.....Chris Matejek, Facilities Manager, Town of Suffield

Brian called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Brian asked Peter to read the agenda into the minutes:

**SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA**

- A. Call to Order
- B. Public Input
- C. SMS Outdoor Court Design
- D. Adjournment

**Call to Order:** Brian called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

**Public Input:** None

**SMS Outdoor Court Design:** The project of renovating the outdoor courts, which includes tennis, pickle ball and basketball reviewed. The importance of having recreational amenities in Suffield, and the possibilities of making a few changes to the current layout were discussed.

Options were discussed, each having their own merits. In light of several issues of unruly participants, fights, vandalism, as well as excess amount of trash at the outdoor basketball courts over the past two years, the elimination of one of the outdoor basketball courts was discussed at length. The elimination of one basketball court would allow programming for Suffield residents on the courts but may limit “free play” for other residents as well.

The Commissioners suggested valid solutions, rather than eliminating one court. Increased supervision, more programming, limiting the time the lights are on, and having summer leagues were all discussed.

**Motion by B. Boucher (vice-chair):** To endorse the plan put forward with the three tennis courts, six pickle ball courts, and two full sized basketball courts.

**Second: D. Rusnock**

**Vote for:** B. Casinghino, B. Boucher, D. Rusnock, S. Lombardo

**Vote against:** None

**Motion Passes: 4-0**

**Motion to adjourn at 6:45pm:** B. Boucher (vice-chair)

**Second:** S. Lombardo

**Vote for:** B. Casinghino, B. Boucher, D. Rusnock, S. Lombardo

**Vote against:** None

**Passes: 4-0**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Leclerc, Director for  
Sam Lombardo, Clerk

These minutes are not official until accepted at subsequent meeting