



Board of Parks and Recreation of the Town of Greenwich  
**Wednesday, June 29, 2022, 6:30 p.m. Via Zoom**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Attendees:** Joe Siciliano, Scott Johnson, Frank DiVincenzo, Nancy Chapin, Matt Popp, Brian Kerzner, Blaize Levitan, Rick Loh, Tracy Freedman, Mike Bocchino, Sue Bodson, Sue Snyder, Matt McCarty, Miriam Kreuzer, Greg Kramer, Sue Baker, Leslie Yager, Harry Fisher, Linda Bruno and Lenore Caserta-McClester

1. Call to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. Approval of May 25, 2022 meeting minutes
  - Motion by Frank DiVincenzo, seconded by Tracy Freedman 8-0-0
3. Director's Report Joe Siciliano
  - EGCC update-contractor has taken over the building
  - Fireworks-following the weather, looking at alternate dates should need to reschedule
  - Dealing with the lifeguard shortage
  - Field Study update Blaize Levitan
    - Deep tine aerification schedule-improved drainage
    - Soil sampling and water table testing
  - Pickleball Blaize Levitan
    - Additional striped courts
    - Temporary nets
    - Working with engineer-potential for additional dedicated courts
4. Sub-Committee Updates:
  - Parks and Trees Nancy Chapin
    - Various Friends groups forming
    - Partnership with Tree Conservancy
    - Tree inventory
    - Youth Conservation Program
    - Kudos to Parks staff as well as new Greenwich Point Dockmaster
  - Dorothy Hamill Rink Rick Loh
    - Progress in narrowing down possible temporary rink sites
5. Chairman's Report Scott Johnson
  - Thank you and farewell to Frank DiVincenzo who is leaving the Board
  - P&R Foundation
    - Develop a plan for fundraising efforts for EGCC interiors
    - Fundraising support for current projects/programs Sue Bodson

6. New Business
  - Ethics Board Disclosure Scott Johnson
  - Future presentation-Pat Sesto Re: Open Space Plan Sue Baker
7. Public Comment
8. Adjourn 7:23 p.m.
  - Motion by Sue Bodson, seconded by Rick Loh 7-0-0

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Scott Johnson: psychic channel I can't say.

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Scott Johnson: Eleanor we're going to start at 630.

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Scott Johnson: This is a radio and media, the portal parks and REC.

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Scott Johnson: More June 29 the zoom meeting.

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Scott Johnson: and the first thing we'll do is approved kind of motion to approve the may 25 minutes which we all got by email, which is by recording So can I get I get an emotional for that.

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Scott Johnson: Is Somebody raised their hand.

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Frank DiVincenzo: i'll raise mine.

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Scott Johnson: Okay, and then Tracy seconds okay all in favor.

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Scott Johnson: Aye okay so show I don't know if you are on but.

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Scott Johnson: I had a not so good, I operation, so I can't see the screen very well, so when somebody raised their hand when or somebody let me know.

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00:00:52.200 --> 00:00:56.130  
jsiciliano: Okay, so Linda can control the meeting the hand.

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Scott Johnson: Yes, okay I just I just have a trouble.

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Scott Johnson: See, which is pretty funny my and my wife is in the background laughing at me.

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Scott Johnson: So.

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Scott Johnson: let's let's start with joke is show you have to leave at what time seven.

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00:01:09.090 --> 00:01:14.100  
jsiciliano: Any to be anything, be some another meeting is and I had to leave at seven so.

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00:01:14.910 --> 00:01:15.450  
Scott Johnson: that's good.

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00:01:15.780 --> 00:01:23.670  
Scott Johnson: i'll start in as soon as Nancy comes on, let me know cuz she had to leave too so yeah cho cho rector's report.

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00:01:24.120 --> 00:01:24.390  
Okay.

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00:01:25.800 --> 00:01:26.610  
Matt Popp: Nancy says.

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00:01:26.700 --> 00:01:27.510  
Sue Bodson: If he's on.

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00:01:27.720 --> 00:01:28.290  
Scott Johnson: Okay, good.

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00:01:28.590 --> 00:01:34.440  
jsiciliano: Okay, so i'll start off with a couple updates and then I blaze is going to cover his beliefs on.

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00:01:35.520 --> 00:01:35.850  
jsiciliano: yeah he's.

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00:01:36.090 --> 00:01:36.600  
Sue Bodson: he's on.

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jsiciliano: he's going to cover two categories, but so let me just start off by saying that I just want to give a little update on the east and granted civic Center construction project.

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jsiciliano: So the contractors, since our last meeting have taken control of the building, they have some sort of the safety work zone.

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jsiciliano: or they've started to do the the internal remediation of the building any of the environmental that had to be dealt with, and the last report that I received from building maintenance is that they seem to be about two weeks ahead of schedule on the.

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jsiciliano: On the on some of the environmental remediation that they need to do, and they were hopeful that by.

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jsiciliano: Mid to late August they'd start the demolition phase so um that's nice to hear that they're in there they're working they seem to be moving along on the project.

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00:02:26.400 --> 00:02:35.130  
jsiciliano: And they could get to the DEMO phase, a little bit sooner than September, so you know we're anxious to kind of see how that kind of plays out but.

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00:02:35.490 --> 00:02:35.790  
Scott Johnson: Just to.

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00:02:36.120 --> 00:02:40.050  
Scott Johnson: Just to clarify, when you say remediation you need asbestos right.

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00:02:40.350 --> 00:02:48.330  
jsiciliano: it's best those and whatever else they had their some lead in their paint that they had to deal with and a couple of minor things, but none of it, none of its bad stuff it's just.

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00:02:48.360 --> 00:02:50.970  
Scott Johnson: And this is we, this is stuff, we all know about.

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00:02:51.420 --> 00:03:08.550  
jsiciliano: yeah, this is the usual stuff when you do a DEMO that you have to deal with so so they are dealing with that and they're actually making some serious progress and hopefully we'll see them go into the demolition face starting there early late August early September.

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00:03:09.990 --> 00:03:20.520  
jsiciliano: A couple of other things on on other you know I obviously know we're prepping out for the holiday weekend we're praying about two foot firework shows that we may or may not have on Saturday.

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jsiciliano: The weather is not looking good as far as the prediction prediction for Saturday we've been watching two different weather services both them say that we're going to have some.

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jsiciliano: Moderate rate in the morning, it may be more direct in the afternoon and then towards the evening after nine o'clock it'll pass through the fireworks basically we kind of have some make some determinations sooner the fireworks gets shipped from.

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jsiciliano: mass of.

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jsiciliano: New Hampshire so if we're going to cancel fireworks show for Saturday, one of the key points is, we have to do that before 730 in the morning on Saturday if they ship the supply here.

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jsiciliano: We may be able to turn her if we don't shoot as long as we don't unload it from the from the boxes and put it in any kind of shooting tubes we may be able to send it back.

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jsiciliano: And then, if you know it gets here we decide that we're not going to shoot, we can send it back and there's a restocking charge and all that.

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jsiciliano: We also have to deal with police and fire, they have a call out period that they have to notify their people if we're going to go or no go.

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jsiciliano: And that this is a financial commitment, so will we are several department heads they're going to meet on Friday morning at 10 o'clock look at the latest weather updates and see how we're going to deal with the overall firework show now, we do not have a consecutive rain date and but.

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jsiciliano: it's a little you know we with the shooter we have they would not commit to a Sunday or Monday shoot because they were committed to other primary shoots on Sunday and Monday.

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jsiciliano: And so we will be looking at another date which Fred and I had a discussion about this morning.

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jsiciliano: That we might look at Labor day weekend date only because the next weekend at Greenwich point the ninth is the beach ball.

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jsiciliano: Once you get into the middle of July and August and then people start to go on out or other directions, so we may be looking at an end of the summer kind of celebration of some sort to some fireworks off on Labor day weekend that's one of the alternatives that we've been discussing.

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jsiciliano: And we'll see how it kind of all plays out so stay tuned if we don't shoot where we get a lot of media out there, if we take the chance when maybe mid day on Saturday, but.

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jsiciliano: we're going to really play the weather, right now, or whether indications does not look good and i'm looking at all these other towns that are shooting on Saturday night.

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jsiciliano: You know, they all try they're all scrambling for alternative so we'll have to see how this kind of goes.

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jsiciliano: As you, as you know you read the newspaper you seen the media that we still have to take a lifeguard shortage.

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jsiciliano: we're trying to do the best we can, with the lifeguards that we have we have sectioned off certain and swim areas so that that we.

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jsiciliano: swim at your own risk areas and other areas where you'll be swimming under the supervision of a lifeguard.

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jsiciliano: We have those appropriately marked at some of the locations and we're just doing the best we can, with the staff that we have.

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jsiciliano: and hopefully at this stage i'm not quite sure we're going to be acquiring many new people but.

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jsiciliano: we're taking people that can only work two days a week, and putting them up, you know, taking those two days a week.

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jsiciliano: Normally we'd like to get 35 hours out of every lifeguard but it's not simply the case.

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jsiciliano: So we're working all these kind of ultimate schedules and trying to keep the schedule together and provide adequate coverage at at all the locations The other thing I have is that i'm talking about the fireworks look at a holiday prep talk about Eastern.

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jsiciliano: The the that's that's kind of what I have for right now and i'm going to turn over to blaze he's going to talk about just a field study, update and some update about pickup ball.

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00:07:11.670 --> 00:07:12.540  
jsiciliano: you're on blades.

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00:07:13.020 --> 00:07:14.790  
Blaize Levitan (Parks): hey all right thanks Joe can everybody hear me.

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00:07:15.870 --> 00:07:16.530  
Scott Johnson: Yes, yes.

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00:07:17.220 --> 00:07:24.840  
Blaize Levitan (Parks): Okay, good yeah and my camera off i'm feeling a little under the weather, right now, but so yeah the field study update we're moving along.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): The report recommended that we do something called like deep time verification so 10 the operations manager he's been going through field by field and doing.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): The deep tiny verification and he's developing an ongoing schedule that should help with compaction and also you know basically improved the drainage so that's something we've been doing now.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): we've also got the vendor our engineer Western Samson that we've been working with it did the field study.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): They have dug the test fits they're doing the soil sampling and the water table testing, we should have the results back, for we did Bible street field upper half Meyer field benny park field Eastern grant and civic Center.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): We should have those results within the next two weeks everything with that is on schedule basically those fields that we're, starting with the soil sampling and the water table testing will tell us, then, what will be the most effective.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): You know type of work that we can do, hopefully this fall once the season ends so we're on schedule to do that, so far.

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00:08:39.930 --> 00:08:50.430  
Blaize Levitan (Parks): You know, it could be something like one field should we be focusing on subsurface drainage will be focusing on surface drainage, should we be doing soil modifications.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): Things like that so that's why the soil sampling and the water table testings important because we can actually effectively use the money.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): We currently have available funds about 200,000 remaining and then on July 1 will get an additional 400,000 at the BT allocated.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): That we can hopefully have a decent cost estimate and idea of what we're going to do.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): and hopefully get the work done once the field season's over we did tell the consultant, that the goal here, especially as long as some of these other fields like Western middle schools down that.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): None of the fields can really come offline during the season, so the work that we do it all has to be fit with it now.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): that's the major update for where the field study is we'll keep everyone updated on that once we get the.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): yep.

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Scott Johnson: Up we're also doing some high school turf remediation because summer too early.

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00:09:51.030 --> 00:09:52.110  
Blaize Levitan (Parks): yeah as far as.

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00:09:52.410 --> 00:09:53.550  
Scott Johnson: close down a little bit.

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00:09:55.050 --> 00:09:55.530  
Blaize Levitan (Parks): yeah.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): they'll tell you.

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00:09:57.660 --> 00:09:58.860  
jsiciliano: about high school field three.

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00:09:59.490 --> 00:10:00.090  
Scott Johnson: yeah.

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jsiciliano: Okay, so that they matter of fact, I just saw the permit come in today from the the p to.

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jsiciliano: Allow that work to continue on the surface three and at the high school so that work is commencing and the permit has been.

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jsiciliano: approved and they can continue to work on this surface three out of the high school through the summer, so their goal is to try to work that and then get back on line for the fall again so we'll see we'll see how timing goes.

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jsiciliano: it's company so we're just.

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Scott Johnson: we're just one field with high school.

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jsiciliano: So he, but when we when they do the remediation during the summer all fields are off offline and I think instead of unless the stadium fields over so all those fields there 2345 and six are are not not available, I think, maybe the only one that is available is high school stadium.

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jsiciliano: So, but you know we can shift gears in the summer, a little bit because we have a lighter load, but you know come full we could use every all of that needs to be back on one.

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Matt Popp: Please, the field that environment, the new lab school is that analysts to be inspected that because that field, even though it's new the soil is extremely compacted.

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Matt Popp: Like the grass never really took there's little ridges across the field, I always thought that again to eventually disappear, but they don't.

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Matt Popp: know when you walk across there now it's kind of a shame that it's just very thin grass in the outfield and like I said as hard as a rock I don't think there's a problem with groundwater on that one for sure.

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jsiciliano: Which field is.

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Matt Popp: that the new lab school behind by.

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jsiciliano: The library environment.

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Matt Popp: I gotcha thanks yeah just walk the outfield some time, and you can kind of see you know that it's it's it's tough to the grasses stuff it doesn't get as much use as it used to says that because it's been overused.

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jsiciliano: yeah so.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): yeah I know I know that TIM is trying to do every field with the deep time and verification so far this season we've he's gotten through benny park.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): upper half Meyer park Bible street Western granted civic Center central middle school Eastern middle school fields Eastern grand civic Center old drench school in North Miami school and he's working with the vendor I think to do every field in the town this year so.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): Okay i'll i'll get that on his radar that's.

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Matt Popp: Great Thank you.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): Okay, any other questions on field.

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Scott Johnson: wants to pick up okay.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): yeah so pickle balls so right now i'm you know before we started all this work, we had just basically.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): locations to play at.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): laughlin and at cristiana we have striped out also Western middle school is fully stripe that now so there's six courts there.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): there's two courts at by room and we're working on also striping out one of the courts, after the end of this tennis summer season at Eastern grants civic Center.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): We also ordered 10 I believe portable next two different styles so we're going to be putting portable nets out at all of these locations and.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): Because right now, other than at laughlin when you're doing official clinic play you actually have to bring your own net and all these places where we have the hybrid striping so this will.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): be a big step forward for people.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): And then we hope to continue the nuts are pretty expensive and they're also in high demand right now is every community America is basically.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): You know, playing pickup ball so some of the nets have pretty long shipping delays, but we able to find some that should be here actually with within the next two weeks or so.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): So those will start being out there and then we also have secured a land use engineer to hopefully help us start looking at some.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): Maybe potentially a dedicated pickle ball court since that's what the pickup ball players do really have a need for some dedicated courts potentially working that into the design that the eastern grant civic Center.

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Scott Johnson: Which one has the question that that so surfaces, that there is a specialized pickled will surface right, I know they use other you know courts and paddle tennis courts but isn't there a specialized surface exclusive.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): yeah it's really just the same as a tennis court.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): So it's either.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): poured asphalt, or like post tension concrete.

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Scott Johnson: Which is supposed to be the best right.

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Scott Johnson: The post tension.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): entry is is significantly more expensive to put in and the upfront but it's it's yeah the best I mean that that's the gold standard.

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Scott Johnson: And we have any I know some of the country clubs are taking their cattle courts and putting temporary pickle ball, you know those movable pickle foundries are we doing that at all.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): We we met with the vendor the same one that was supposedly being used at millbrook that he brought the surface out.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): met with the pickle ballplayers it did not go very well, they test it out the surface, we were this was to put.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): This is to convert like a rubber surface that converts the platform tennis which is aluminum and it's it's not ideal for pickup ball playing.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): So the idea here was to put this surface down that supposedly is designed for pickup ball, but we we had there was actually a bunch of football players out that day we brought them all over they met the vendor.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): It was it was painful none of them liked it so it didn't go that well, so it doesn't have the right bounce.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): So they thought that, basically, for the money either wasn't worth.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): The platform tennis or it would just be worth like buying nets or doing more hybrid striping for now, so we did we did try that stuff out we're still looking into it, to see if there's.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): Someone else out there, I know that trisha I had talked to her, she was with us to one of our supervisors in charge of.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): pickup ball, she was with me to during that that day at trial, she was going to go over to millbrook and so was Betsy underhill one of our main pickup ball instructors and she was going to go to millbrook and try it out there, but it wasn't well received.

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Scott Johnson: To you know just ballpark with the relative incomes that came between piccolo and tennis this year.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): The relative what was that.

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Scott Johnson: Income revenue generated by by the two.

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Scott Johnson: I don't want compared to the other.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): I don't know off the top of my head, I would say that.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): yeah I don't want to speculate so I can follow up with that Scott for you.

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Scott Johnson: yeah just curious.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): We there's definitely more people still playing tennis than there is pickup ball.

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Blaize Levitan (Parks): But the growth in pickle ball is is significant, but i'll get you the revenue numbers, I have them on my computer, so I can get you those pretty quickly.

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Scott Johnson: To the else replace.

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Scott Johnson: Any questions for Joe.

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Scott Johnson: So we want to jump to Nancy Nancy do you gotta leave early to right.

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Nancy Chapin: I yeah I have more time than Joe but i'm sure is this, if you want to move me up on the agenda that's.

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Scott Johnson: Great I think I think joe's.

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Scott Johnson: done blues is done so yeah why don't why don't you so I can do the administrative stuff afterwards.

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Nancy Chapin: Okay sounds great so parks and trees just a couple things to report on, so there is another friends group Bruce park.

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Nancy Chapin: That reached out to me, Catherine lovato who is chair of parks and REC for the are tm issues me virtually with ren harmon.

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Nancy Chapin: And they have a website up so you know there's a lot of friends group that are sort of coming to the forefront the more on that, but I just think it's interesting and.

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Nancy Chapin: kind of this leads off to the thing that I really want to talk about was trees, I had bumped into Joe Messina at the.

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Nancy Chapin: The the event at the beach experiences sound and she said, you know I know you go.

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Nancy Chapin: To the board of parks and REC and so she shared with me a couple of interesting facts about crunch to conservancy so.

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Nancy Chapin: I guess what i'm sort of talking about tonight is the partnerships with the town and how they're working successfully, and so I guess interesting about the tree conservancy.

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Nancy Chapin: Is in the last 15 years they've planted over 5000 trees, I guess, their annual goal is 500 trees, which is pretty amazing and.

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Nancy Chapin: They have also labeled 500 trees and all of our parks, so we have this ongoing arboretum and I know Greg can talk a lot more to this but it's pretty amazing what the tree conservancy is doing to our town, so not only for our town, but also outreach.

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Nancy Chapin: And then I just also want to talk about the youth conservation corps is now actively working in all of our parks.

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Nancy Chapin: They work today in many of the parks, I know my husband was there with them in the pomerance property and.

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Nancy Chapin: they've done some great work, and I think it's a combination of you know, these they're hired to do this work so it's both educational.

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Nancy Chapin: recreation and getting work done and darren's been great I don't know how he does it he orchestrates this and he's got them everywhere, I think I always do a little shout out to our staff because the parks and REC staff is truly amazing.

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Nancy Chapin: I think I did talk a little bit about at the last board meeting, how you know we I feel like we always just need more staff, they need the help and.

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Nancy Chapin: So anything we can do with volunteers recognizing we've got to work with unions, but you know staff can be the expertise and we can be kind of the grunts and do the weeding and they can work the chain saws so.

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Nancy Chapin: And then two schools came brunswick did a big project in pomerance as well, they did a great job there, they got a lot done and then also the pinnacle school.

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Nancy Chapin: which was a interesting project as well, so I think that these natural parks offer recreation and opportunity for some of our schools as well.

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Nancy Chapin: let's see.

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Nancy Chapin: Experiences sound and then, I just wanted to do a little shout out to our marine division, I met the new Doc master at Greenwich point pete.

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Nancy Chapin: Oh coming I grew up pete model ease.

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Nancy Chapin: And he is terrific has great experience another local townie boy we're really pulling from our town, which is great I grew up with a sister, and he was very personable excited to be on on the team.

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Nancy Chapin: And I know the friends of Greenwich point is doing a lot of work at grinch point as well, so I think that was a quick rundown.

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Nancy Chapin: And I don't know whether Greg would like to add to anything about parks and trees.

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Nancy Chapin: Other than you know I always feel like I get to be the happy person, you know it was just great work and good things going.

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jsiciliano: Yes, maybe Greg i'll talk a minute about the tree inventory that we were working on.

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jsiciliano: It give us two minutes on that maybe so we're doing this tree inventory project and it is partnership with.

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jsiciliano: tree conservancy to hear you can you fill two minutes, with a little tree inventory information.

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Greg Kramer: Sure sure, good evening everybody, so the treatment story is is basically we're going around at this point and accessing and reading are trees on right away, is, meaning that we're going to denote the location geographically GIs them.

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Greg Kramer: Read the conditions their species their size and died on the town map power right now tree locations reside, but they're just green dots.

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Greg Kramer: So those green dots are going to actually become information as opposed to just a green dot.

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Greg Kramer: And right now we're going into our fifth week we hired Davey resources group, which is a subsidiary of Davey tree and they have four people going out.

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Greg Kramer: Monday through Friday and throughout town kind of working from the South West working to the Northeast so now they're they're kind of in the middle of the town right now they've they've gotten pretty far.

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Greg Kramer: I didn't get the latest report, so I don't.

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Greg Kramer: Number rapper we've exceeded I believe 10,000 at this point so that includes current trees potential locations and stumps so today I did actually meet with with Joanne and.

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Greg Kramer: Margaret was very helpful she she went into the the program and it was able to pull out in biram all the locations and all the addresses on to our spreadsheet.

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Greg Kramer: So I shared that with Joanne so that and it was actually an extensive amount of trees more than we would see just kind of driving around or residents calling for trees and we're going to work on that and start.

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Greg Kramer: Getting trees into those locations so that's kind of game plan right now.

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Greg Kramer: But that's that's kind of how we're how we're looking at it is you know retrieving this information and strategizing and coming up with a plan how to get trees back into the ground or how do I get trees maintained and also address trees that might be potential hazard to the public.

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jsiciliano: Great thanks great.

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Greg Kramer: Thank you.

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Scott Johnson: So you guys, let me, let me check children because I wanted to switch over, so we need to say thank you and goodbye to frank who's retiring.

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Scott Johnson: Thank you, frank.

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Scott Johnson: Amongst other things, you, you really.

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Scott Johnson: led the show, and we have failed project, which was.

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Scott Johnson: What three almost three years long from start to finish, and.

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Scott Johnson: Some of the new people frank don't even know about that could you talk about that a little bit.

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Scott Johnson: yeah please fail.

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Frank DiVincenzo: that's really that's really my my crowning achievement really I feel very.

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Frank DiVincenzo: lucky to have been involved in it and luckily it happened, it came up on the first day or the first meeting that I had when I came on board, and I was asked by.

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Frank DiVincenzo: Nancy kaplan if I would champion the recovery of.

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Frank DiVincenzo: Six model it's that we're at the Leah fail empty theater I don't know if you if you know the empty theater but then I would have to go into the background that, but if you visit the pie needham.

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Frank DiVincenzo: We have a stand, where where you can read the history and how we got there and it was really a great experience I I don't think it would have could have happened without joe's help Joe Joe is like the wizard of Oz and he makes things happen, but you don't know that he's doing it.

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Frank DiVincenzo: So we had we had great from very, very construction and naturally I had be crumbling help us raise funds and it all came together in three years is in in parks and recs terms is like quick.

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Frank DiVincenzo: I things happen things happen, it takes a long time, and especially if you look at all branch.

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Frank DiVincenzo: Civic Center it's been 20 years and, finally, now we have a building going up so things take a long time and parks and REC and branch because of the bureaucracy and all the laws.

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Frank DiVincenzo: That apply, but in this case, if it came out in three years, which was great and it's a place that you should be that you should visit that and it's a it's a credit to a parks and REC and the town of Greenwich for having saved those columns.

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Frank DiVincenzo: Other than that, I mean I like to thank everyone that that.

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Frank DiVincenzo: helped us on that project and and i'm impressed with the new people that we have on the board, I mean suboxone is the fundraiser Queen.

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Frank DiVincenzo: I appreciate that we we need someone like her, and on board and parks and REC and Nancy cheap and, of course, she puts a lot of work and.

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Frank DiVincenzo: In those properties and and and Nancy don't be afraid to call me anytime if you need help i'll gladly come over and help you guys are doing a great job there.

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Frank DiVincenzo: So with that i'd like to thank everyone, they did find some some snyder you're great and you've done my best.

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Frank DiVincenzo: So with that I say I do.

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jsiciliano: Thanks frank.

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jsiciliano: He really yeah.

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Scott Johnson: what's that when you know one thing frank about Leah fail also is.

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Scott Johnson: A lot of the contractors donated their time and it was joke, I think you can confirm this, it was completely paid for by the Foundation.

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Frank DiVincenzo: Yes.

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Scott Johnson: So you know it worked we we fund raised, we had several large donors and a bunch of small donors, and that was yes.

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Scott Johnson: It was a real group effort.

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Frank DiVincenzo: yeah it was no question on the chrome by was able to get a lot of people involved people with with money and people that were willing to give even \$500 \$1,000, but I have to give credit.

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Frank DiVincenzo: To.

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Frank DiVincenzo: To parks and REC for having given us the the means and the support to come in and raises money and, in fact, our budget was 35,000 we raised.

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Frank DiVincenzo: 37 five and we left 2500 for future maintenance at the site and and i'm sure they'll it'll be used wisely, I have no doubt so really I it's great it's just wonderful we got good press and a lot of people deserve credit for having joined us.

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Scott Johnson: Well, thanks frank.

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Scott Johnson: Also, if I can before everybody leaves we have a new member that McCarthy.

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Scott Johnson: Is his face on the screen I know.

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jsiciliano: he's.

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Lenore Caserta-McClester: Really he's joining now.

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Lenore Caserta-McClester: As a panelist.

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Scott Johnson: Okay, so matt will officially be on the board, I think next month, but has been approved by everybody.

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Scott Johnson: matt I know I knew previously, and I know his parents and his in laws on he's a quiet guy unfortunately the brunswick guy.

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Scott Johnson: he's a little cross guy, which is good and bad, but he also his resume is pretty cool three.

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Scott Johnson: Because when he was in high school he did a lot of hiking and trailblazing throughout the town and he actually charted are trails so no it's probably a GPS system or whatever it is, he used and so he's been familiar just from high school, up to now and.

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Scott Johnson: parks and trails I think or his his strength that dimension athletics, and then just familiarity with the portland schedule, I went over kind of what we did today with him.

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Scott Johnson: And also, and I said oh my gosh you know this is taking an hour and I can't even get to half the stuff we do, whether it's Marina.

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Scott Johnson: Whether it's parks, whether it's fields, whether it's hockey rink so mad if you if, if you can, if your audio just say hi and just say a little bit about yourself, I mean I started.

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Scott Johnson: Is your audio on you, I can even save it.

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Matt McCarty: yeah.

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Matt McCarty: I think it's broken hear me.

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Scott Johnson: yeah okay.

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Matt McCarty: Great.

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Scott Johnson: Thanks guys yeah just introduce yourself a little bit.

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Matt McCarty: yeah sure hi everyone.

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Matt McCarty: So yeah like Scott mentioned, I grew up in Greenwich as a as a bronzer kid I graduated almost 20 years ago and have recently boomerang back my wife and I moved back here and, by the way back country just about a year ago.

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Matt McCarty: But she also grew up here and both kind of the outdoors he types so.

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Matt McCarty: This kind of seemed like a natural first step into kind of reconnecting with the Community.

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Matt McCarty: It was suggested to me and hadn't really occurred to me as something to do.

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Matt McCarty: As a way to kind of get involved, but once it came out, it was it was kind of a perfect fit so i'm glad to be.

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Matt McCarty: A part of this, and you know hope to be as supportive, as I can, one thing that Scott mentioned that I could be helpful, with right away, since i'm pretty unfamiliar with the actual goings on of.

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Matt McCarty: Being a board member here I my day job I work for renewable energy company we develop projects up in upstate New York primarily and some in Canada, but doing that for a while and and.

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Matt McCarty: becoming the CEO that two days actually so.

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Matt McCarty: So at least let me my kind of knowledge on that front and sustainability and renewable energy, if you know any facilities are needing that sort of input, or just kind of basic on the on the ground, knowledge, I have probably too much to lend on that side of things.

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Matt McCarty: But otherwise i'm just kind of a open book here to to you know point me in the direction and hopefully be as helpful as I can, where I can.

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Scott Johnson: Well, one thing on that mat on.

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Scott Johnson: It definitely hook up with chance Dong goo in our select woman, because she is on the energy conservation.

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Scott Johnson: Commission or board i'm not sure which they are and.

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Scott Johnson: she's our liaison for the selectmen I think she could find a place for you to help there somehow one way or the other, because that's a really important organization their.

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Scott Johnson: Their basic I want to use word annual report, but their studies is ongoing right now to make recommendations for energy both long term and short term energy policy for the town and we already ran into the importance of that with the civic Center so that's something to be familiar with.

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Nancy Chapin: i'm just going to then sign off, but matt i'm so excited you're on the board and don't get too caught up in energy, because Tracy and I are going to drag you around our parks on all the trails we've made it a mission so.

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Nancy Chapin: really good meeting you.

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Nancy Chapin: So yeah welcome.

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Matt McCarty: and frank and.

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Nancy Chapin: I think we need a in person meeting, so we can properly send frank on his way so um but look forward to working with everybody.

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Frank DiVincenzo: i'll be here on molly a few miles from your House so time.

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Scott Johnson: Well let's you know let's talk about that Joe Joe had to leave, but I wanted to you know we always take August off for a board meeting by July end of July only have one i'd like.

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Scott Johnson: To do it.

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Scott Johnson: live, and we can maybe to the following meetings live give suggestions I mean I know queen Anne building has been a suggestion, which is a good idea.

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Scott Johnson: It would be good if it could be able to be outdoors.

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Scott Johnson: If we do do it at the beach, we might run into a sunset issue but that's maybe okay.

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Scott Johnson: So give suggestions, because we all want to do it and let's let's find a good place.

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Nancy Chapin: So, as I sign off I like the Queen am building, but also the griff I think we've talked about that too so and then of course my backyard the pie needham has a great venue you know the brunch botanical Center so that would be my three suggestions.

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Scott Johnson: Good good.

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Nancy Chapin: Night everybody.

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yeah.

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Scott Johnson: So next technically as rick is it he can say about the hockey rink.

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Rick Loh: see me.

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Rick Loh: i'm unmuted here all right.

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here.

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Rick Loh: So you may have seen in the paper a couple weeks ago, Ken Borsa from the Greenwich time came to our most recent meeting.

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Rick Loh: We making some progress, and what that means is we're kind of narrowing down the possible sites for the temporary rank.

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Rick Loh: And it appears.

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Rick Loh: In consultation with Luigi It appears that Roger Sherman baldwin park is currently at the top of the list and followed by North street school as another location Those are the two that are getting the attention right now.

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Rick Loh: Other lens background discussions about.

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Rick Loh: Getting organized from a budget standpoint.

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Rick Loh: In relation to the calendar and the town calendar with relation to budgets.

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Rick Loh: there's really not much going on.

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Rick Loh: Right now we are basically waiting for.

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Rick Loh: to know where the site is so that the wheels can be put back in motion again.

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Rick Loh: That site being the temporary rink for people that don't remember.

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Rick Loh: It has been decided that the new rink will go in the same location, as the old rink.

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Rick Loh: Where the old rink is located right now.

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Rick Loh: So.

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Rick Loh: To replace the ice time that will be lost well construction is taking place to replace the programs, that would not be able to find a home.

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Rick Loh: Because most of the other ice drinks in our immediate area are booked up solid.

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Rick Loh: During the time slots that our programs would need.

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Rick Loh: The only way to solve the problem during construction is to construct our own temporary rink, and that is the focus right now.

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Rick Loh: that's really all I have to say if anybody's got any questions happy to help.

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Scott Johnson: Direct you to the outside consulting firm.

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Scott Johnson: Support or pick.

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Scott Johnson: That site, or they had agreement that that's a decent site.

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Rick Loh: We just been in touch with the companies that handle temporary ice rinks and, yes, they they've been working with him and at this point in time.

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Rick Loh: Those two were were were there were the focuses.

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Scott Johnson: what's the what's the what's The next step.

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Rick Loh: Now next step is to have a a site designated.

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Rick Loh: One of the issues with with any site is that there's a power requirement to run the to run the compressors that need to chill.

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Rick Loh: The solution that causes the ice to freeze and then we need some parking and some drop off space near that site, because people will be going there for figure skating that we going for hockey practice.

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Rick Loh: Town may run some learn to skate programs at this temporary facility.

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Rick Loh: So you need some.

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Rick Loh: Easy drop off fairly easy to walk to get to the rink etc, etc.

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So.

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Rick Loh: Those are it's not an easy solution.

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Scott Johnson: Let me mention just something quick on a foundation, and so you can talk to.

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Scott Johnson: I really want to develop some sort of initiative to try to get solicitations for.

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Scott Johnson: interior donations on the civic Center.

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Scott Johnson: Oh, can I keep using the example of the hospital.

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Scott Johnson: Because.

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Scott Johnson: My feeling.

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Scott Johnson: peed on that on that committee is that we're going to get basic dp w furniture and finishes 14 we did spend some time on tile and I think the tiles pretty good.

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Scott Johnson: But I would love it, I know you gave a recommendation and somebody can help in that regard, but start to think about some sort of campaign to advertise interiors.

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Scott Johnson: It just seems easy to be it's not not necessarily big money but I don't mean bricks but I mean maybe \$20,000 from scoreboard, or whatever it is.

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Scott Johnson: Because that's that's coming up soon, do you think with the basic instruction schedules two years, but in a year we're going to be doing the final specs on the interior so.

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Scott Johnson: that's just an idea that keeps coming up.

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Scott Johnson: And I don't know if it suits you enjoy anything i'm just in your wheelhouse there.

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Sue Bodson: Sure, yes I I love that idea Scott and we can we can talk offline about some ideas I have about things that we can probably do I think in the fall after after the summer and people.

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Sue Bodson: Come back because they feel like people are gonna start to take off, I already see people taking off for the summer so.

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Sue Bodson: Yes, I actually a couple of weeks ago via zoom with lenore and Sue snyder.

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Sue Bodson: I had coven so I mustard three oh, thank you for both ladies for putting up with my my my raspy voice that I had.

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Sue Bodson: But the ideas that we were bouncing around had to do with the Foundation supporting projects and current projects and programs that the parks and REC is already producing and maybe could have some support from the Foundation.

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Sue Bodson: So we batted around some ideas and i'm going to set up a time to talk to Joe about one of them after the fourth of July, we wanted to get through the fireworks thing.

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Sue Bodson: But I I I charged to with coming up with a wish list I said it's sort of like Christmas in July here so come up come up with some things that you know the Foundation can do to support.

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Sue Bodson: The projects and let's do some long term planning, here we have let's you know use a runway created a runway into long term planning.

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Sue Bodson: Now that we have the Foundation set up on in a spot at least you know digitally on on the web, where an administrative Lee where we can properly take all those donations, I think it's it's a great time to do it.

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Sue Bodson: Okay.

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Scott Johnson: Great Thank you.

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Scott Johnson: um.

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Scott Johnson: Let me mention a.

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Scott Johnson: Administrative thing that's going to crack everybody up.

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Scott Johnson: I got an email today from something that i'm sure no none of you have ever heard of I have and it's called the board of ethics, so the town of Greenwich has a board of ethics and we are going to be required, as board members to fill out online, important as ethics disclosure.

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Scott Johnson: And kind of informational form which the purpose of it is to make sure there's no really financial conflicts of interest in anything that we're doing so.

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Scott Johnson: The example, might be something like take me as a lawyer, if I am a paid outside lawyer for the town I generate income from that.

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Scott Johnson: that's the kind of thing that they want to know if i'm a vendor or contractor that does work for the town that's something they want to know how that it's wrong or illegal.

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Scott Johnson: They just want to know, and sometimes it has happened in the past there's a conflict of interest with a board of ethics says oh come on you and we want to ask you some questions about that because that's something that is a concern.

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Scott Johnson: I don't know that it's ever.

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Scott Johnson: gotten to that level with anybody on on our board.

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Scott Johnson: And then the other thing is technically if you got or anybody is uncomfortable with anything you're working on from an ethical standpoint.

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Scott Johnson: And I have had to have those.

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Scott Johnson: In my tenure on the board, where I just called up one of the members of the board of ethics, that I happen to have known, who was that he was kind of a legal, ethical matter um and said hey, this is a question, what do you, what do you think the answer to it is, and they were great.

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Scott Johnson: It wasn't a slight conflict of interest, but it was something where I wasn't sure what the.

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Scott Johnson: What the answer is no, the board of ethics, to coordinate that news is there are lawyers follow that that all most of them are lawyers so very often it gets into.

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Scott Johnson: formal legal definitions of a conflict rich anyway you're going to send out the end of the email tomorrow, and it has a link to the board the board of ethics.

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Scott Johnson: Question questionnaire site.

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Scott Johnson: It says it's supposed to be done by July 31 so to choose to the best you can I would be astounded if the you know hundred and 50 Commission and board members of the town will respond by that date but take a look at it i'll send you the frequent frequently asked questions.

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Scott Johnson: Examples they gave us which are really helpful, so you know who does it cover what's the report, what do you have to file and what information do they want to say so, take a crack at it go online to.

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Scott Johnson: fill it out, if you have questions call me to the best you can you as an individual can get it in by the end of July, which I don't think it's big problems, you know but.

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Scott Johnson: don't worry about too much.

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Scott Johnson: frank don't worry about it at all.

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Frank DiVincenzo: I just I just want to add a couple things I.

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Frank DiVincenzo: I didn't mention you you've been a longtime member of the board and you managed to to keep your ethics in perfect order.

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Frank DiVincenzo: You have our need i'm impressed with your institutional memory, we need you guys, like you, you can't leave ever because you know everything there is to know about all the things that have happened in the past 20 3040 years I don't know how long you've been.

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Frank DiVincenzo: At any rate, so thank you for your support to I appreciate that and there's one more person that.

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Frank DiVincenzo: I think we can all agree that lenore Cassandra is the glue that keeps us all together and and she's been very supportive.

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Frank DiVincenzo: To me, and in the six years that i've been on the board, so your new members will find that out to them, she will help you, you have any questions she knows the answer, and if she doesn't.

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Frank DiVincenzo: Get right back to you Thank you again.

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Scott Johnson: yeah you're right thanks thanks frank and thanks for one or two because.

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Scott Johnson: I think, few of us really realized how much she does.

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Scott Johnson: Including just.

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Scott Johnson: found stuff on the Foundation, she really manages the books of the Foundation doesn't get paid for it.

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Scott Johnson: it's all extra work for her so.

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Scott Johnson: That that's that's just great stuff.

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Scott Johnson: um anybody have any new things to bring up.

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Scott Johnson: I can't I can't see my screen very well So yes, is there any attendees that have questions or business or issues they want to bring up.

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Scott Johnson: Somebody helped me if their hands are raised.

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Lenore Caserta-McClester: Yes, we have one hand raised, and it is soo Baker.

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Scott Johnson: baker i'm not familiar with subic who's that.

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Sue Baker: Very funny you were talking about an in person meeting and over the months we had talked about having a presentation by Pat Tesco on the open space plan.

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Sue Baker: And we tentatively talked about doing it, maybe June or July that she would be available to do that if you wanted to do indoors at the cottage and in certain cottage because her presentation requires electricity not you might not want to do it in July.

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Scott Johnson: that's a good idea, and right now to July agenda, I think, would be perfect for that.

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Sue Baker: Okay, just reminding you that you know i've kind of been the go between with that mentioned it to Nancy So if you want to just so there's a place for the electricity period and.

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Scott Johnson: It will be.

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Sue Baker: Outside you know in and out.

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Sue Baker: We can even serve wine.

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Scott Johnson: Oh no I had a question i'm.

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Scott Johnson: Sure, shellfish question right um you know being on the cove.

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Right.

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Scott Johnson: There was a storm I know this happened at the beach, particularly the.

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Scott Johnson: The Western.

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Scott Johnson: The Western teach over by the chat chimes building right there was a nor'easter a couple about a month or two ago the washed up a tremendous.

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Scott Johnson: amount of oysters.

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Scott Johnson: clams.

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Scott Johnson: What would I come free questions about what was that all about it that way those just wash up from the newly Steve oyster it's.

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Scott Johnson: keep talking about.

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Scott Johnson: You still there.

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Scott Johnson: Quite stupid eaten by an oyster okay.

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Scott Johnson: If you come back on, I want to know the answer that question because there's think the good news is they're all along the beach and all on the cove just a billion clams oysters washed up not norden or Easter.

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Matt Popp: is coming up.

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Matt Popp: My bow is for in his heart and cottage know by the friends of vantage point meet there and it's a great place to meet we set the table else right outside on the east side of the building underneath.

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Matt Popp: The shelter the overhang and we have me, maybe 18 to 20 people know meet outside and we could easily me inside TIM.

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Scott Johnson: So if I go into my us harbors which i'm just looking at what the.

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Scott Johnson: sunset is then.

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Scott Johnson: it's probably about 815 so that well anyway, we have to consider that, for the gate.

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Scott Johnson: Right so anything anybody else anybody else want to hear.

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Scott Johnson: Okay, so a motion to adjourn the meeting.

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Scott Johnson: Sue anybody second that katie couric okay on favorite Richard.

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Scott Johnson: Thank you, frank can stick around one way or the other, please.

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Frank DiVincenzo: Call call me anytime if I have anybody i'm available.

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Scott Johnson: Thank you, thank you guys.

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Sue Snyder: thanks for all your help.

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Frank DiVincenzo: Thanks, thank you.

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Scott Johnson: bye bye oh.

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hi.

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Lenore Caserta-McClester: Thank you for your kind words.

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Scott Johnson: If we do if we do something up at the.

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Scott Johnson: At Mike chinos place, we have to have a putting tournament so show up for that.

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Frank DiVincenzo: i'm available, by the way, that the course looks great on thanks to Mike who's who's watching every every move that they do there and i'm sure that keeps them Mohamad.

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Scott Johnson: Great.

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Scott Johnson: Okay bye all.

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Lenore Caserta-McClester: Thank you everyone.

