

TOWN OF CAPE ELIZABETH  
FORT WILLIAMS ADVISORY COMMISSION

Minutes: May 11, 2015

5PM Fort Williams Park walkthrough

Present: Lise Pratt, Suzanne McGinn, Joe Kozlowski, Mark Russell and Bob Malley (joined later by Chris Straw

Starting at the Ship Cove parking lot we began with a brief discussion from Bob Malley re: the siting of the swing sets. 8 test pits to 5' depth had been dug without running into a significant amount of rubble, old foundations, etc. The walk included measuring of the site recommended by staff to +/- 60 feet in either direction. There was feeling by all present that locating the new swings to the upper site nearest the circle and away from the hill and Porta potties would best idea.

Walk / drive to parade ground and bleacher areas where Suzanne gave an outline of the bleacher subcommittee proposed plans to date. They were looking to a new 300-400 seat amphitheater type facility orienting outward from the existing backstop. Demolition of all existing bleachers would be in total with new construction centering on midpoint of the existing backstop with graded slope moving away towards the water. Suzanne mentioned problems with composting toilet idea due to maintenance concerns and winter temperatures. Additional discussion took place regarding upper level walkways.

The walk continued to the pond where Bob M. pointed out needed stonework repairs. It was suggested that commission look in to costs to make the necessary repairs that could be coordinated with the Children's Garden project.

At 6PM the commission moved to Cliff Walk area where we were joined by member Chris Straw. Bob Malley pointed out the location of a new section of fence. Work scheduled to be bid out after July 1, 2015.

Before leaving the group discussed the swing sets and a motion to" locate swings at upper site, by the parking circle, approximately 60' from where shown on Master plan Update, out from line of trees, a safe distance from parking area, and away from Porta potties" was made and seconded. After a brief discussion the motion was passed on a 5-0 vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Russell