

MEDWAY EPFRAC MEETING Medway High School (Guidance Area) 7:00 PM Minutes December 20th, 2016

Committee Attendees: Ellen Hillery (FinCom Alternate), Mike Francis (Open Space), Paul Mahoney (CPC), Cathy Morgan (Friends of Choate Park), Mark Diebus (Youth Sports), David Travalini (ConCom Alternate), David Blackwell (ConCom), Michael Schrader (FinCom), Ross Rackliff (Parks Com), Kari MacLeod (Friends of Choate Alternate), Rob Pearl (Athletic Dept).

Also Attending: Michael Boynton, Town Administrator; Thomas Holder, DPS Directore; D.J. Chagnon, CBA Landscape; Allison Potter, Asst. Town Admin.; Clara Batchelor, CBA Landscape; and Cheryl Tennant, Night Board Secretary.

The agenda for the EPFRAC meeting: to discuss the results of Public Input Session and Survey for Parks and Playgrounds Improvements Project (Choate Park, Cassidy Field, Middle School, Oakland Park) as well as discuss the goals and objectives for Parks and Playgrounds Improvements Project.

The meeting was to order at 7:05 PM.

Clara Batchelor of CBA Landscape Architects had previously sent an email to committee members with the results of the survey and refined goals and objectives for the Parks and Playgrounds Improvement Project. She presented three different preliminary design renderings (see attached) for each of the three sites (Choate Park and Cassidy Fields, Medway Middle School and Oakland Park). All plans were designed with ADA accessibility in mind. The goal for the evening was to answer any questions and discuss concerns prior to the public meeting on the 5th of January. Design differences listed below:

Choate Park and Cassidy Fields. All Choate designs remove beach area. All feature splash pad, playground, and have an assessable trail between Choate and Cassidy as well as go around a portion of pond to Chicken Brook outlet. Cassidy Field features 3 large baseball diamonds, batting cages, Little Fenway and picnic grove. Main design differences listed below:

Design 1:

- 50 parking spaces Choate Park and 70 Cassidy Field
- Choate's existing indirect access from street allows for 125x60 ice rink area
- Choate main area basketball court, splash pad near playground and picnic grov

• West side of pond – picnic grove with natural play area, overlook from Cassidy down to pond. Extensive natural path along Chicken Brook with fitness stations at brook opening.

Design 2:

- 59 parking spaces Choate Park and 66 Cassidy Field
- New direct access from street no ice rink but has treed buffer area for Choate instead
- Choate main area splash pad separate from bigger playground with swings added and trike track, large covered 50x30 shelter instead of picnic grove
- West side of pond basketball court, parkour or exercise equipment and picnic grove

Design 3:

- 60 parking spaces at Choate Park and 70 at Cassidy Field
- Indirect access from street with option for additional parking in buffer area
- Choate main area splash pad near expanded playground, picnic grove on stone dust
- Pond side area 50x30 shelter with sloped amphitheater seating area, picnic grove
- Cassidy Field adds 200x85 NFL size hockey rink (type of surface TBD)
- No basketball court or pavilion at all. Exercise stations along pond path.

Discussion/Concerns.

- Little Fenway took up too much space when dedicated solely for tee-ball. Would like a multi-use area and see option showing it in far corner of field.
- Hockey rink Full sized rink in Design 3 took up too much field space. Show option for a temporary rink in Design 1 that doubles as additional parking or other use during warmer weather.
- Most liked Design 1. Remove basketball court, add pavilion near pond and add parking.
- Playground poured-in-place surface and trike track preferred.

Oakland Park Design 1:

- 79 parking spaces, 2 one-way roads between Senior Center, and 11 new parking spaces for Senior Center (no new street access)
- Entry plaza with seating and shade structure
- 15x40 bathroom and camp office, 55x25 pavilion and playground between playing fields
- Continuous path around both field areas

Oakland Park Design 2:

- 96 parking spaces, one-way road between Senior Center and park
- Senior Center new footpath to park, new street access, and no additional parking
- 15x30 bathroom and camp office, 35' diameter pavilion and playground between fields
- Rain garden with bridge and continuous path around large field area

Oakland Park Design 3:

• 62 parking spaces, 2 two-way roads between Senior Center and fields and 10 new parking spaces for Senior Center, (no new street access)

- 30x40 bathroom and camp office, 55x35 pavilion, rotary drop-off between playing fields
- playground located on south side of fields toward senior center

Discussion/Concerns.

- Committee members want to see overlay of existing park footprint and new footprint
- Show itemized gains, such as 20 more parking spaces or additional 50 sq. ft. for playground
- All committee members liked walking path to Senior Center

Medway Middle School. Track and tennis courts resurfaced, new accessible path to tennis courts, lights added to tennis courts, bleachers added on track sides.

Design Option A:

- 185x85 street hockey rink (ice in winter) abutting track
- Storage structure near tennis courts

Design Option B:

- 185x85 street hockey rink (ice in winter) near baseball diamond
- Tennis practice area and pickle ball courts added to tennis courts
- Storage structure near track
- High jump and long jump moved to southwest side of track
- Longer path around area/fields

None of the designs presented had a dollar amount affixed to them. Several of the amenities presented were based on a "wish list" scenario. A preliminary cost estimate will be given for each major amenity allowing committee members to be better informed as to what will fit within the budget. Once a design is chosen for each location, CBA Landscaping Architects will then discuss phasing, timelines and priorities (toward the end of January). The overall park redesign is a long-term plan with upgrades/additions happening incrementally as prioritized by committee/public.

Adjournment:

With no further business before this committee, the meeting was adjourned at 10:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Cheryl Tennant Meeting Secretary









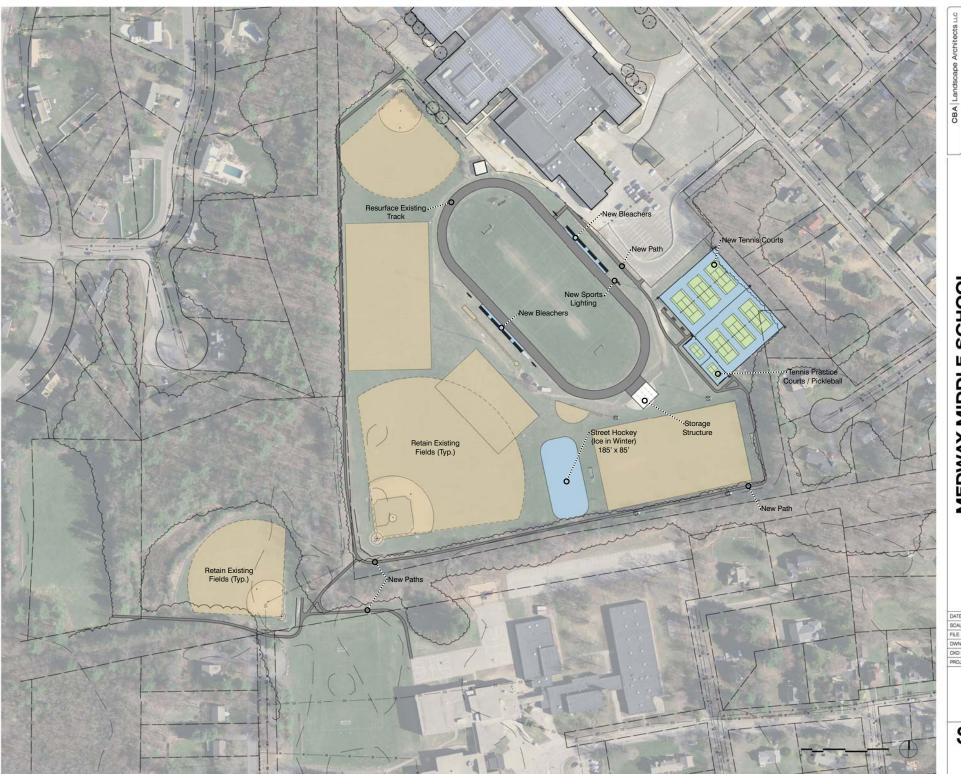




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SCHEMATIC DESIGN - OPTION A

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