



TOWN OF ELLINGTON

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Ad Hoc Committee for the Robert Tedford Memorial
Special Meeting Minutes
February 10, 2020
Public Works Office

MEMBERS PRESENT: Felicia LaPlante (left at 6:45 pm), Joanne Tedford, Sherry Kraus, Timothy Webb (left at 6:45 pm), Tom Boscarino, Lisa Houlihan, Kate Tedford, Dustin Huguenin

OTHERS PRESENT: Julia Connor

I. Call to Order

Chairman Boscarino called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

II. Citizens' Forum [non-agenda items]: No citizens came forward.

III. Approval of Minutes – December 9, 2019

MOVED (WEBB), SECONDED (J. TEDFORD) AND PASSED
[AYE: WEBB/J.TEDFORD/KRAUS/BOSCARINO/HUGUENIN; ABSTAIN: LAPLANTE/K.
TEDFORD/HOULIHAN] TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 9, 2019 SPECIAL
MEETING.

IV. Unfinished Business

A. Memorial Markers

Discussion was held regarding the markers planned for the school gyms. Dustin Huguenin provided a draft resolution from the Board of Education in support of placing memorial plaques in locations in the schools [ATTACHED]. Sherry Kraus shared that any suggested changes should be noted and returned to the Board of Education. She reported that Brian Greenleaf expects this to be finalized at the March Board of Education meeting. There were no corrections or adjustments noted.

It was reported that Ellington Printery doesn't make plaques, but that they recommended the work of Vernon Trophy Shop. A safety concern of the plaques inside the gymnasiums was raised, but it was decided that they will be placed away from locations of high risk of contact. Wording and design options were discussed, and the following design and wording was presented:

IN RECOGNITION OF
ROBERT P. TEDFORD
FOR HIS 43 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE
AS RECREATION DIRECTOR
*PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT TO REFLECT
ON THE IDEAL OF SPORSMANSHIP.*

MOVED (WEBB), SECONDED (KRAUS) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE NEW DRAFT DESIGN AS DISCUSSED.

There was also discussion regarding the outdoor memorials, which had been planned for placement at the Ellington High School soccer field, the Pinney Street Fields, and Sandy Beach at Crystal Lake. Discussion was held regarding the number and exact location of these markers. It was decided to forgo the installation of the outdoor memorial markers at this time.

B. Continuation of the Robert Tedford Memorial Fund

Felicia LaPlante shared that the current balance of the Robert Tedford Memorial Fund is \$3,668.60. As the Ad Hoc Committee's term is up at the end of April 2020, discussion was held regarding future disbursement of the Robert Tedford Memorial Fund balance; it was decided that decisions regarding the future use of this fund will be at the discretion of the Parks and Recreation Commission, in conjunction with the Parks and Recreation Director. Future funding should go towards the development of recreational programs in Town.

V. New Business

There was discussion of the installation of a bench jointly honoring Robert Tedford and former Finance Officer Nicholas DiCorleto, Jr. at a location in Arbor Park; the Committee members expressed their full support of this project and will contribute financially towards its completion. Discussion of the Stein Road project and related disc golf course also took place.

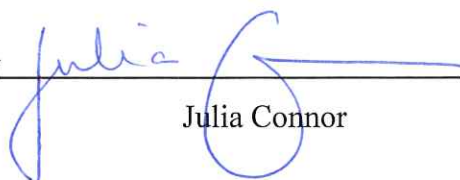
VI. Review Action Items

The next meeting is scheduled for March 9 at 6:00 p.m. at the Public Works Office.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED (HOULIHAN), SECONDED (KRAUS) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:09 PM.

Submitted by



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DRAFT

Resolution in support of placing memorial plaques for former Recreation Director Robert “Bob” Tedford.

WHEREAS, Robert Tedford dutifully served the Town of Ellington for 43 years; and

WHEREAS, His steady and quiet leadership was instrumental in the development of recreational activities that improved the quality of life in Town and schools; and

WHEREAS, His commitment to sports and recreation provided meaningful opportunities to generations of Ellington students and their families; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education commit to placing three plaques in locations where Robert’s servant leadership was on display throughout the Ellington Public Schools.

Signed:
