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## **Wilton Parks and Recreation Commission SPECIAL MEETING December 16, 2013**

Present: Commission Chair Kevin O'Brien, Commissioners, Anne Richards, Joe Burke, Mark Ketley, Bryan Dedrick and Steve Pierce, Parks and Recreation Director. Steve was in attendance at the beginning of the meeting but had to leave due to an emergency. Also in attendance was Gino Legaz. Chairman O'Brien called the meeting to order at 7:31 pm.

### **Minutes**

The minutes from the September meeting were approved 4-0, with 1 abstention.

### **Parks and Grounds Update**

Steve Pierce provided the Commission with a report on several topics. The hay ride with Santa event went well with over 800 people participating. Recent snow storms have kept the Parks staff busy shoveling walks around town. A new dump truck for use by the Parks department was approved by the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance and should be received by the end of 2013. The recreational basketball league is up and running and off to a good start. The Parks and Recreation department was subpoenaed to appear in a court proceeding in Stamford on December 24 regarding the effort to put lights on Middlebrook Field.

### **Facility Use**

The WBSA had to cancel a recent meeting where it was to determine its position regarding non-resident participation in certain baseball leagues. Following its rescheduled meeting, the WBSA will report to Steve its position on this subject.

## Commission Chairman

Commission Chairman O'Brien stated that after more than two years serving as Parks and Recreation Commission Chairman, he will step down as Chairman at the end of December but continue to serve as a Commissioner. Chairman O'Brien nominated Mark Ketley to serve as Parks and Recreation Commission Chairman, Joe Burke seconded the nomination. The motion to appoint Mark Ketley as Commission Chairman passed, 3-1.

## P&R Budget

Commissioner Mark Ketley reviewed the P&R budget with Steve Pierce. All Commissioners received a folder containing the budget.

## Public Comment

There was no public comment.

There being no further business, Commissioner O'Brien moved to adjourn at 8:21pm

Respectfully submitted,  
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Commissioner

