

The Waltham Parks-Recreation Board held the March Board meeting on Wednesday, March 4, 2026, at the Waltham Recreation Department, 510 Moody St, Waltham, MA 02453.

Present were Tom Creonte, Tricia Curtin, John Graceffa, Jennie Scafidi, Stacey Tully, Gary Vallerand and Jerry Walker. Absent was Debra Coleman.

Also present was Assistant Director Ed Kelley II.

Chairperson Jerry Walker called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Cyd Abnet, Waltham Times, was recognized as recording the meeting.

A motion was then made to approve the minutes of February 4, 2026, Parks-Recreation Board meeting by Tom Creonte and seconded by Tricia Curtin. All other Board Members were in favor.

The monthly bills were circulated and signed by all Parks-Recreation Board Members.

Assistant Director Kelley reviewed the statement of accounts and explained that the accounts detailed the current balances in operational and capital budget accounts. Assistant Director Kelley stated that capital project payments had been made for building demolition and design services and routine spending continues to occur for seasonal programs. All accounts are in good standing.

Next on the agenda was the Election of Board Chairperson and Vice Chairperson. John Graceffa nominated Jerry Walker for the position of Chairperson of the Parks-Recreation Board. Tricia Curtin seconded the nomination. All were in favor.

A motion to nominate John Graceffa as Parks-Recreation Board Vice Chairperson was made by Gary Vallerand and seconded by Tom Creonte. All were in favor

2026-2027 Parks-Recreation Board Meeting Schedule was next on the agenda. Assistant Director Kelley referenced the schedule in the Board's folder explaining that meeting dates are comparable to past years. The schedule also took anticipated budget dates and summer staff selection into consideration.

A motion to approve 2026-2027 Parks-Recreation Board Meeting Schedule was made by Gary Vallerand and seconded by John Graceffa. All were in favor.

Director's Report:

March Facilities Updates-

Weather depending:

Prospect Hill Park vehicle access road will be open on April 1st.

Artificial turf fields will be opening on March 29, 2026

Pavilion rentals will begin on April 1st.

Construction Projects- All capital improvement projects are currently paused due to weather.

The City Council's Long Term Debt Committee asked for a summary of projects completed by the Recreation Department at 200 Trapelo Road. A copy of the list was provided in the Board's folders.

Summer Staff- Summer staff applications are now available on the Recreation Department's website.

Registration- The Spring/Summer brochure is now available. Registration will be held online on March 17, 2026, at noon.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Tom Creonte and seconded by Gary Vallerand. All were in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ed Kelley II

Assistant Director of Recreation