

Town Center Park Commission

Meeting Minutes

October 28, 2009

Time: 7pm

Location: Town Attorney's Conference Room, Government Center, 2750 Dixwell Ave.

Attendees: Matt Fitch, Jaime Allesandrine, Berita Rowe-Lewis, and Jay Matthews

Staff: Julie E. Smith, acting clerk

The meeting of the Town Center Park Commission began at 7:10 pm with Ms. Rowe-Lewis nominating Mr. Fitch for Commission Chairperson. Ms. Allesandrine and Mr. Matthews seconded the nomination.

Mr. Fitch nominated Ms. Rowe-Lewis as 2nd Chair, Ms. Allesandrine seconded the nomination.

Items numbers 2 and 3 from the agenda were tabled.

Julie Smith was asked to act as the liaison to the Mayor's Office and Sallie Lowry will be asked to act as liaison to Parks and Recreation.

It was decided that the commission meetings will take place on the 4th Wednesday of the month.

Mr. Matthews and Ms. Allesandrine are planning on attending the Silverbells Celebration.

Ms. Allesandrine spoke with her handicapped friend regarding the Park who asked for greater accessibility in the Park, closer parking for the handicapped. Discussion ensued regarding the possibility of designating a remote handicapped parking area for large events such as the fireworks in the Park, possibly in the medical building across the street which has greater ease of access.

Ms. Smith will bring plans of TCP to next meeting.

There was discussion of auctioning off "VIP" parking spaces for the fireworks with funds donated to the Arts Commission – possible site of parking would be at the Gov't. Ctr.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.