

Chapter 14

PARKS AND RECREATION*

Article VI. Madison Salt Meadow Park.

Sec. 14-110. Establishment of a permanent governance committee to oversee park management.

(1) The Board of Selectmen shall appoint a permanent committee to operate under the jurisdiction of the Beach and Recreation commission and under the supervision of the Director of Recreation for the purposes of preserving, promoting, rehabilitating, developing, and maintaining Madison Salt Meadow Park. The committee shall consist of seven (7) members and two (2) alternate members who shall serve without pay. The term of office shall be as follows: Initially three (3) members shall be appointed to two-year terms; and the remaining four (4) members shall be appointed for four-year terms. All subsequent terms shall be for four (4) years. All terms shall expire on December 31. Vacancies occurring in the committee by expiration of term or otherwise shall be filled by appointment by the Board of Selectmen for the unexpired term or new term as the case may be.

(2) The committee shall be guided in its work by the research and recommendations of the Madison Park Development Committee and by the regulations pertaining to the acreage under conservation easements. The committee shall be mindful to minimize the environmental impact on the easement areas and the adjacent waterways.

(3) The committee is further charged to plan and implement safe and appropriate uses of the Park, including a variety of athletic and passive recreational activities for the benefit of the citizens of the town. The diversity of the Park presents unique planning challenges. With that in mind the committee is encouraged to confer with commissions such as, but not limited to, Conservation and Shellfish in their deliberations, with a liaison to the committee appointed from both commissions. The actual scheduling of the athletic fields shall be under the jurisdiction of the Beach and Recreation Commission. Tasks shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- (a) Develop and implement passive recreational and educational programs;
- (b) Develop and maintain one or more trails;
- (c) Develop a maintenance and security program for implementation by the appropriate town agencies, with the assistance of the committee;
- (d) Develop a management program for implementation by appropriate town agencies, with the assistance of the committee;
- (e) Develop a long-range capital improvement program, including phasing of installation and construction of program elements contained in the approved Master Plan;
- (f) Develop long-range funding sources and grants to assist in the financing of the park.