

Article 33 – Funding for engineering and permitting required for the improvement of the Town Field, Rose Field, and related park areas. (Financial Committee Recommends)

Overview This warrant article is to secure funding for the design and permitting of the town recreational areas. The construction plans and permits are **REQUIRED** to apply for grants that will primarily fund the construction costs (phases III-VI).

- Goals** The goals of this Parks and Recreation project are:
- In conjunction with the Planning Board and Select Board, design plans that are long-term (75 year) and incorporate all of down-town recreation, master plans, and necessary flood mitigation plans
 - Repair the town field drainage issues and parking constraints
 - Create improved and accessible activities for all including youths and seniors
 - Develop public use for Rose Field keeping future use in mind
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Funding Several grants have been researched and have a high likelihood of funding a significant percentage of the entire project costs. ***Grant applications, however, cannot be filed without the following:***

- Final plans and cost estimates
- Project engineering and permitting
- Complete boundary survey
- Demonstration of community involvement, meetings, etc.
- Updated Open Space and Recreation Plan

This is the activity outlined in Phase II that we are voting on tonight.

Schedule / Cost The Conway 250th Anniversary Celebration is being planned for 2017. The proposed timetable below is based on a completion of the primary infrastructure prior to the celebration. The following table summarizes the costs associated with the proposed six phases of planning and construction:

Phase	Description of Work	Schedule	Anticipated Costs
I	Preliminary/Conceptual Design Study	COMPLETE	\$8,500
II	Complete Detailed Design and Permitting (required for grants)	Q3 2012 – Q2 2013	\$90,000
III	Complete Recreation Field Drainage, Grading/ Landscaping, Improved Parking, walking path with river access	2014	\$750,000 - \$1,000,000
IV	Recreation Field Extra Features (Pavilion, Shuffle Board, Additional Recreational Features)	2015-2016	\$250,000 - \$500,000
V	Rose Field Enhancements	TBD	\$650,000 (TBD Option)
VI	Sidewalk enhancements to tie all the properties together	TBD	\$200,000 (TBD Option)



- Conceptual Town Field Plans**
- Fixed Drainage
 - Improved Parking
 - Safer Access (90 deg curb cuts) and additional parking.
 - Handicap accessible walkways.
 - Long-term planning!!
 - Use for young and old (young at heart)!



- Conceptual Drainage Plans**
- Retention basins at upper level to contain and control water runoff from 116.
 - Perforated drainage under ball field.
 - Fill and stepped grading.
 - Coordinate and engineer per flood mitigation standards.

- Long- Term Planning**
- Stop doing short-sighted projects.
 - Integrate with Open Space Plan, Master Plan, and insure 75-year recreational plans for the town.
 - Begin construction based on long-term plans.
 - Not all construction has to be done now, but planning must be!

