



City of Methuen, Massachusetts

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Recreation Committee

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Stephen Angelo, Superintendent of Parks and Recreation

Methuen City Council – Recreation Committee

Tuesday, February 17th, 2026 @ 5:30PM at City Hall in the Great Hall, 3rd floor

AGENDA

- **Roll Call**
- **Acceptance of the Agenda**
- **Public participation**
- **Vote for Chair of the Committee**
- **Presentation- Chair**
 - Purpose and Scope of the Recreation Committee
 - Review of committee charge
 - Timeline and reporting expectations
- **Member introductions**
- **Stakeholder Roundtable – Youth Sports Organizations (Football/Baseball/Lacrosse/Soccer, etc.)**
 - Each group: issues/concerns + upcoming season needs
 - Field conditions & maintenance
 - Scheduling / permits / communications
 - Lighting, safety, bathrooms, trash, storage
 - Capital needs (short list)
 - What would make the biggest difference this spring

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- **Department Update – Superintendent Steve Angelo**
 - Current priorities/constraints + seasonal plan
 - Capital project updates (Nicholson, Burnham Rd, Vets Park, etc.)
 - Field/facility scheduling updates
 - DPW coordination for spring maintenance
 - Playground/park audit status + priority list
 - Upcoming Community Enhancement Events/Programs – Potential Future Events
 - Spring/summer programs + events
- **Rail Trail Lighting – Grant Opportunities (Requested by Councilor Valley)**
 - Known grant opportunities, deadlines, match requirements, and next steps/owner
- **Councilor Community Cleanup Day – Saturday, April 25 (Requested by Councilor Drew)**
 - Confirm goals and format
 - Proposed sites + DPW support/disposal plan
 - Volunteer & sponsor plan
 - Assignments + timeline
- **Assignments for next meeting**
- **New Business**
- **Adjourn**

Respectfully Submitted,
Councilor John R. Drew Jr.

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