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Skate Park Committee Approves Final Design

Framingham, MA - The Town of Framingham Skate Park Advisory Committee (SAC) has unanimously approved the design for the town's first skate park, to be located at Farm Pond Park.

The design is a result of a collaborative effort between area skateboarders, the advisory committee, Pillar Design Studios, a professional skate park design company, and professional staff from the Parks and Recreation Department.

"This park provides the skating community with features that fit experienced and beginner skaters alike. It also has a flow design that will work with the BMX bike community," stated SAC Chairman, Selectman Jason Smith. The Framingham Skate Park is the result of a Town Meeting action taken in 2015 to fund the design and construction of a park for skateboarders in Framingham.

Selectmen Chair Cheryl Tully Stoll, who also served on the Committee, reflected "This is the first athletic facility that the town has created specifically for children and young adults who are not your typical joiners. Many of them don't enjoy team activities and this park will provide them a sense of community while they are practicing their individual sport."

Assistant Town Manager Jim Duane, former Director of Parks and a SAC member, is very happy with the results of the process. "We will have a first-class park with a unique design that fits in with the beauty of the surrounding area. I see this new amenity serving our community well."

Committee membership consists of:

Jason Smith—Chairman
Betty Funk—Vice Chairman
Tom Bubier
Michael Cannon
Jim Duane

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Kathy Hauck
Rob MacArthur
Joan Rastani
Cheryl Tully Stoll

Smith stated, “We had 21 public meetings, 3 design workshops and met over the course of 20 months. The effort and energy expended is clearly evident in the outstanding product that has been designed. The park is scheduled for a late fall of 2017 opening.

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