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**Wethersfield Recreation and Parks Advisory Board**  
**Mill Woods Master Plan Committee**  
**Minutes - September 16, 2004**

Tom Ragonese opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center. Members in attendance were Tom Ragonese, Wes Sargent, Bill Smyers, Joe Slepki, Rich Lepore, Martha Mayer, Jeff Kotkin and staff members Salvatore Cucia, Assistant Director, Recreation and Parks Department and Kathleen Bagley, Director, Recreation and Parks Department.

1. Public Comments.

No comments.

2. Minutes - June 17, 2004.

Minutes were approved.

3. Old Business.

a. Update on Soil Study.

Ms. Bagley reported that the soil study ran into a few problems over the summer. She received the okay from soccer for the donation of funds in July and was ready to award the project to Mr. Dest. At that time, she found out that she needed to go out for a Request for Proposal. She received another quote on this process for \$5,000. Working with Martha Mayer they have been looking to compare the two (2) quotes since Mr. Dest was at \$8,550 to determine the type of services that would be offered for this work. She is looking to contact both firms to get clarification on exactly what they will do as part of this study. Ms. Bagley hopes by the next meeting she will have more information regarding this process.

b. Fundraising.

Ms. Bagley received a call from May Ellen Bonelli that she will be unable to make the meeting due to a death in the family. The fundraising process has been on hold over the summer because the Town Council was considering a referendum question on a variety of town projects including the Mill Woods Master Plan. Ms. Bagley found out in September that the Master Plan would not be included in the referendum question for the upcoming election. Therefore, the town will need to look at other ways to raise funding for the Mill Woods Master Plan.

4. New Business.

a. Bill Symers reported on his status with his experiments with his drainage and irrigation system. He found out a similar model exists in Windsor and will be looking to investigate that to determine if the process was a success in draining and irrigating fields. He will keep the committee informed on this project.

b. Martha Mayer reported that she attended a Town Council meeting and spoke in favor of their funding for the Mill Woods Master Plan.

c. Ms. Bagley reported the Town Manager has heard nothing to date regarding the status of the cell tower for Mill Woods or in any other area in that part of town.

d. Mr. Ragonese asked that we look to set some goals and objectives to get moving on this project and look at ways to move forward on some of the items.

5. Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.