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Press Release

Milone & MacBroom to hold public meeting seeking feedback on Schenck's Island and Merwin Meadows park design

The Town of Wilton will be holding a public meeting to present draft concept plans for the renovation of Schenck's Island and Merwin Meadows. The meeting will be held on Sunday, April 28th, 2019 from 1-3 pm at the Comstock Community Center gym. The Town's consultant (Milone & MacBroom) will provide a summary of the information gathered at the initial public meeting which was held on March 24, 2019. Milone & MacBroom will present the draft concept plans for discussion and further public input.

Wilton residents of all ages are encouraged to attend the meetings to provide feedback on what features and improvements they would like to see in the parks. Families are welcome to bring their children for free play on the field outside the Comstock gym while parents participate in the meeting. No RSVP is required.

Milone & MacBroom, an Engineering, Planning, Landscape Architecture, and Environmental Science firm, was selected by the Schenck's Island / Merwin Meadows (SIMM) Committee to develop a concept plan for a passive recreation plan for Schenck's Island and a renovation plan for Merwin Meadows. The firm has been working with Town officials and conducting site visits over the past month to develop a base map of the parks.

The Board of Selectmen established the SIMM Committee in 2017. The committee is comprised of members of the Conservation Commission, Parks & Recreation Commission, Planning & Zoning Commission, Economic Development Commission, Trout Unlimited, Wilton Land Trust, and an individual nominated by the Board of Selectmen. In March of 2018, the SIMM Committee issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) requesting submissions from qualified professionals to provide a concept plan for Schenck's Island and Merwin Meadows. Nine professional firms submitted a response to the RFQ. After a comprehensive review process, Milone & MacBroom was selected to lead the project.

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