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BALLSTON, NY – March 5, 2010 – The Ballston Town Board is pleased to announce the reorganization of the Parks and Recreation Committee. Seven community members and two alternates have been appointed by the Town Board to advise and make recommendations for parks and recreation opportunities that would enhance active and passive recreational needs in the Town of Ballston.

The primary charge of the committee is to identify possible land options for the development of Diamond Anchor Park. The creation of the park will be largely funded through moneys left to the town by the Schidzick Estate. In addition to recommending a potential location of a new park, the committee will also investigate additional funding opportunities as well as the type of park that will best meet the needs of the Town.

Residents who are interested in having their property considered should send a letter of interest to Mr. Daniel Russell, Parks and Recreation Committee Chairman, via email to [townclerk@townofballstonny.org](mailto:townclerk@townofballstonny.org) or c/o Ballston Town Clerk, PO Box 67, Burnt Hills, NY 12027. Letters should be received by May 1, 2010.

Letters of interest should include the location, size and general characteristics of the property. All properties referred to the Parks and Recreation Committee will be reviewed and considered, with suitable parcels being recommended to the Town Board. The Town Board will ultimately make the final purchase decision.

Mr. Russell, said, "This is a wonderful opportunity for landowners within the Town of Ballston to have a direct impact on the preservation of the quality of life here. Generations to come will enjoy the open spaces we preserve by planning and developing certain properties as parks. By offering a variety of recreational pursuits at these facilities, community members will reap many benefits through healthy pursuits, active lifestyles and an interaction and appreciation for our local natural resources."

Ballston residents are encouraged to express their ideas for park and recreation opportunities within Town by attending the Parks and Recreation Committee meetings held on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:00pm.

Each meeting is open to the public and is held in the meeting room of the Ballston Town Hall located on Charlton Road. Updates to this meeting schedule may be found on the Town's webpage [townofballstonny.org](http://townofballstonny.org). For additional information on the Parks and Recreation Committee and its charges, the public may contact Daniel Russell, Committee Chairman, at [drussell6@nycap.rr.com](mailto:drussell6@nycap.rr.com).