



TOWN COUNCIL – AGENDA REQUEST FORM

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Please submit Agenda Request Form, including back up information, 8 days prior to the requested meeting date. **Public Hearing requests must be submitted 20 days prior to requested meeting date to meet publication deadlines** (exceptions may be authorized by the Town Manager, Chairman/Vice Chair).

MEETING INFORMATION

Date Submitted: March 17, 2022
Submitted by: Matt Casparius
Department: Parks & Recreation
Speakers: Nick Bourn, Troop 15

Date of Meeting: March 24, 2022
Time Required: 10 minutes
Background Info. Supplied: Yes: No:

CATEGORY OF BUSINESS (PLEASE PLACE AN "X" IN THE APPROPRIATE BOX)

Appointment:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Recognition/Resignation/Retirement:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Public Hearing:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Old Business:	<input type="checkbox"/>
New Business:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Consent Agenda:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nonpublic:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:	<input type="checkbox"/>

TITLE OF ITEM

Eagle Scout Project Proposal - Gaga Ball Pit at Watson Park

DESCRIPTION OF ITEM

Boy Scout Nick Bourn from Troop 15 is proposing to build a Gaga Ball Pit at Watson Park for his Eagle Scout Project.

REFERENCE (IF KNOWN)

RSA:	Warrant Article:	_____
Charter Article:	Town Meeting:	_____
Other:	N/A	

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED (PLEASE PLACE AN "X" IN THE APPROPRIATE BOX)

Projector:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Grant Requirements:	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Special Seating:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Laptop:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	None:	<input type="checkbox"/>

CONTACT INFORMATION

Name:	<u>Nick Bourn</u>	Address	<u>25 Erik Street, Merrimack</u>
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APPROVAL

Town Manager: Yes No: Chair/Vice Chair: Yes No:

Hold for Meeting Date: _____



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MEMO

TO: Paul Micali, Town Manager

FROM: Matt Casparius, Director of Parks & Recreation

DATE: March 17, 2022

SUBJECT: Eagle Scout Candidate Project Proposal

Hi Paul,

On Wednesday, March 16th; Boy Scout Nick Bourn from Troop 15 made a presentation to the Parks & Recreation Committee on his Eagle Scout Project that he would like to complete with the Town of Merrimack.

For his project, Nick would like to build a Gaga Ball Pit for Watson Park. Gaga Ball is a popular fast paced, high energy sport played in an octagonal pit. Dubbed a kinder gentler version of dodgeball, the game is played with a soft foam ball, and combines the skills of dodging, striking, running, and jumping, while trying to hit opponents with a ball below the knees. Previously we've had two gaga ball pits built by Scouts at Wasserman Park and they remain immensely popular.

The Parks & Recreation Committee's thought is that this would be a nice addition to Watson Park and would complement the Beach Volleyball as another passive recreation type of activity. This project does not require any sort of digging as the pit sits on top of the ground and only needs a flat space.

The Parks & Recreation Committee feels that his project would be a valuable addition to Watson Park and are recommending it to the Town Council for approval.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matt Casparius". The signature is fluid and cursive, written in a professional style.

Watson Park Gaga Ball Pit

By Nick Bourn

Watson Park



Current Gaga Ball pit at Wasserman Park



Possible Site at
Watson Park
where pit will
go.





Other Possible spot for Gaga pit.