

**PLAYING FIELDS TASK FORCE**

**MINUTES**

**October 9, 2015**

**7:45 am at Warren**

**Attending:**

Trip Sheehan, Recreation	Bill Darcey, WYH	Barbara Searle, BOS
Mike Jennings, Lacrosse	Mike Pakstis, DPW	Steve Murphy, NRC
Brandon Schmitt, NRC	Rick Kinney, WLL	Jennifer Halloran, WYF
Ann Williams, WLL	Patti Quigley, School Com.	Matt Chin, Recreation
Kelly Uller, Wellesley Scoops	John Browne, Athletics	Ed Lasch, Soccer
Sue Moms, Wellesley Green School	Jess Stanton, Wellesley Green School	

**Minutes from September 11, 2015**

Motion: To accept by Barbara Searle as amended that NRC would still permit NRC's current recreation facilities.

Seconded: By Steve Murphy

Vote: All in favor

**Green Schools Reusable water bottle initiative:**

Jess Stanton and Sue Moms introduced themselves and distributed the Green School water bottle initiative draft and possible changes to PFTF Field Policy. Patti Quigley believes that snacks should be allowed in the Green School draft and it's important to not just hydrate but to have a snack as well.

**Introduction of drafty of proposed changes to Field Use Policy:**

Tripp Sheehan distributed draft of proposed changes and requested any and all feedback to come back to him individually.

**Discussion and vote on recognizing Wellesley Scoops – (Field Hockey) as a voting member**

Motion: By Barbara Searle to accept Wellesley Scoops as a voting member of Playing Fields Task Force

Seconded: By Steve Murphy

Vote: All in favor

Representatives from NRC, Schools, Public Works, Board of Selectmen and Recreation will bring this vote to their respective boards for approval.

**Discussion and vote on recognizing Connor Darcey Field Fund donation and supporting a field**

**naming request:** Tripp Sheehan and Mike Jennings outlined the plans to fund and memorialize Connor Darcey at the High School Stadium.

Motion: By Mike Jennings for PFTF to support the Town of Wellesley accepting \$500k from the Connor Darcey Field Fund and memorializing Connor Darcey as presented Force

Seconded: By Patti Quigley

Vote: All in favor

**Re-Lining of Multi Purpose Field for October 21 W.Y.F game::**

Tripp Sheehan asked PFTF if there were any regarding re-lining of Multi-Purpose field? John Brown did not see any problems regarding the relining.

**Impact of moving Wellesley/Needham football game to Fenway Park:**

Patti Quigley informed the PFTF that there are financial ramifications to moving the game to Fenway park. Wellesley will only be collecting \$2.50 of the \$20 charged for a ticket. This means that Athletics will need to triple attendance to break even for this event. To accommodate this financial burden, the School Department has requested NRC to allow the Athletics Department one additional night this season. The School Department informed NRC that this will be a one-time only request. Steve Murphy informed the PFTF that letters have already been sent out to abutters regarding the request.

**Additon of Intermediate size baseball field.:**

Tabled

**Update on Hunnewell Field Track & Playing Field Project:**

Tripp Sheehan will be having a meeting on October 7 with landscape architect and neighbors. Architect will comeback with new renderings based on this meeting.

**General Field Discussion:** John Brown informed PFTF that there are grubs destroying Hunnewell Field Hockey Field. Also, that even with an large increase in Fall athletes the Fuller Brook project did not impact Athletics and the accommodations in place worked out great. Rick Kinney inquired about getting the trees in the Lee Field outfield trimmed back and adding a permanent fence there.

**Citizen Speak:** None

**Next Meeting:**

Next meeting will be November 13

- Motion: To adjourn by Patti Quigley
- Seconded: By Mike Jennings
- Vote: All in favor