

# Wellesley Recreation Commission

## MINUTES

January 12, 2015

4 pm at the Warren Building

### **Attending:**

Mr. Burttt, Mr. Sheehan, Mr. McKay, Mr. Conlin, Mr. Chin and Mrs. Kaseta

### **Approval of Minutes from December 15, 2014:**

Motion: To approve by Jim Conlin

Seconded: by Matthew McKay

Vote: All in attendance (Mr. Conlin, Mr. Burttt and Mr. McKay) approved.

### **Former Change to Operating Budget:**

A meeting, attended by Mr. Wrobel, Mr. Chin and Mrs. Kaseta, was held with Hans Larsen and Sheryl Strother. They expressed concerns about the reduced turn back to the town for FY'14 and asked if the department was committed to returning \$125,000 as had been projected two years ago. Mr. Wrobel explained that the revenue amount can be directly traced to how Morses Pond does each summer. Hans Larsen and Sheryl Strother further suggested taking line items that had previously been moved to the program back to tax impact.

Motion: Mr. Sheehan made a motion that another meeting be held with Hans and Sheryl to give all Commissioners a chance to attend and to further discuss the issue.

Seconded: by Mr. McKay

Vote: All in favor

In the meantime, Recreation will present the budget as voted (no changes) by the Commission to Advisory.

### **Advisory Presentation:**

Next Wednesday, January 21, 2015, 8 pm at Town Hall

### **Succession Plan For Director's Position:**

Mr. Burttt and Mrs. Kaseta met with Human Resources Director, Scott Szczebak, to discuss a timeline for advertising and hiring for the Director's position. Mr. Szczebak suggested advertising in July, interviewing in August, making an offer and doing reference checks in September resulting in someone being in place in October.

### **Town Meeting:**

900 Worcester St.: The group is presently hearing presentations from those who submitted RFI's.

North 40: This will be the subject of the Special Town Meeting.

**Ice Rink:**

DPW assisted by setting up the rinks. The Fire Department filled them and they are ready to go.

**Meeting with Sprague Principal:**

Mr. McKay arranged a meeting with the principal at Sprague. It will take place this Thursday. Recreation will present 3 – 4 program ideas for after school, along with an overview of our registration process.

**Timeline for Hiring Program Administrator:**

Mrs. Kasetta and Mr. Chin will conduct eight interviews later this week and then will select 2 – 3 finalists to be interviewed by the Commission.

**General Discussion – Program and Facilities:**

None

**Citizen Speak:**

None

Next Meeting: February 9, 2015

Motion: To adjourn: Mr. Conlin

Seconded: by Mr. Sheehan

Voted: All in favor 5:15 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Jan Kasetta