

**PLAYING FIELDS TASK FORCE**

**MINUTES**

**April 9, 2021**

**7:45 am online zoom meeting**

**Attending:**

Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation, Matt Chin – Recreation; John Brown – Athletics; Kyle Williams – Athletics, Dave Cohen – DPW; Tim Bania – DPW, Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Rick Kinney – WLL; Maura Renzella – WYF; Amy Munchak – Lacrosse; Jim Miller – Lights Subcomm; Trip Sheehan – At-Large Citizen; Rick Kinney – WLL; Ansley Martin – Soccer; Sean Campbell – WLL

1. Call to order
2. Citizen Speak
3. Field Applications :

**Motion:** To conditionally approve Susan Mix HS Stadium track use by Jerry Nigro. Provided that HS Athletics and Health & Wellness do not have any conflicts

**Seconded:** Beth Sullivan Woods

**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Kelly Uller – Wellesley Field Hockey; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation, Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Rick Kinney – WLL; Maura Renzella – WYF; Trip Sheehan – At-Large Citizen; Ansley Martin – Soccer

**Motion:** To approve Gorilla Lacrosse application by Kelly Uller.

**Seconded:** Rick Kinney

**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Kelly Uller – Wellesley Field Hockey; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation, Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Rick Kinney – WLL; Maura Renzella – WYF; Trip Sheehan – At-Large Citizen; Ansley Martin – Soccer

**Motion:** To approve Temple Beth Elohim application by Allison Burson.

**Seconded:** Jerry Nigro **Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Kelly Uller – Wellesley Field Hockey; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation, Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Rick Kinney – WLL; Maura Renzella – WYF; Trip Sheehan – At-Large Citizen; Ansley Martin – Soccer

**Motion:** To conditionally approve Evan Zides application by Jerry Nigro. Provided that HS Athletics and Wellesley Little League do not have any conflicts

**Seconded:** Beth Sullivan Woods

**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Kelly Uller – Wellesley Field Hockey; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation, Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Rick Kinney – WLL; Maura Renzella – WYF; Trip Sheehan – At-Large Citizen; Ansley Martin – Soccer

4. Field Schedule and Capacity Optimization: Kelly Uller proposed having user groups submit fall schedules by a specific date.
5. Project updates: Dave Cohen provided updates
  - a. Lee Field: project complete
  - b. Multipurpose Field: project complete
  - c. Lacrosse Wall: Submitted to Zoning with a meeting scheduled for next week
  - d. Hunnewell Field Bathrooms: Finalizing quote and excavation work.. Will take 100- 120 days for delivery
  - e. WHS Track & Field Project updates: Linda Chow informed PFTF that next steps would include discussions with WHS Principal & AD to determine what the usage of lights would be. Then a community forum. Allison Burson informed the PFTF that Bob Parks is scheduling to make his visit for dark sky compliance.
6. General Fields discussion:
7. Adjourn

**Motion:** To adjourn by Linda Chow

**Seconded:** Beth Sullivan Woods

members in attendance in favor Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Kelly Uller – Wellesley Field Hockey; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation, Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Rick Kinney – WLL; Maura Renzella – WYF; Advisory, Trip Sheehan – At-Large Citizen

**NEXT MEETING:** TBA

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**MINUTES**

**December 11, 2020**

**7:45 am online zoom meeting**

**Attending:**

Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Mary Scanlon – Advisory, Tim Bania – Parks, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Dept;, , Kelly Uller – Wellesley Field Hockey; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Sean Campbell – WLL, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation, Matt Chin – Recreation; Kyle Williams – Athletics;; Ann Williams – WLL; Dave Cohen – DPW; Dave Hickey – DPW; Brandon Schmitt – NRC, Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Jim Miller- Light Subcommittee

1. Call to order
2. Citizen Speak
3. Field Applications : None
4. Field Schedule and Capacity Optimization: A shared document will be created for youth sports users groups to input field needs
5. 2020 Field Use Fees: Next PFTF meeting, this item will be looked at regarding revenue vs costs and impact to the field use fund.
6. Sprague Turf Fees: Next PFTF meeting, this item will be looked at regarding revenue vs costs and impact to the field use fund.
7. North 40: Discussion regarding landfill
8. Project updates
  - a. Lee Field: project complete
  - b. Multipurpose Field: outfield draining issues being looked at and some small punch list items to be finished..
  - c. Lacrosse Wall: no update
  - d. Sprague Field : Wall will be added to Sprague Master Plan
  - e. Hunnewell Field Bathrooms: Foundation will be added in the Spring, while building is being manufactured.
  - f. Stadium lights project: No update
  - g. Stadium bathroom / team room: no update
9. General Fields discussion  
Next meeting will discuss Spring field scheduling.
10. Adjourn

**Motion:** To adjourn by Linda Chow

**Seconded:** Kelly Uller

**Vote:** All in favor Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Dept;, , Kelly Uller – Wellesley Field Hockey; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation, Ann Williams – WLL;, Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board;

**NEXT MEETING:** TBA

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**7:45 am online zoom meeting**

**Attending:**

Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Kelly Uller – Wellesley Field Hockey; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, , Laurance Stuntz – Recreation, Matt Chin – Recreation; John Brown – Athletics; Ann Williams – WLL; Dave Cohen – DPW; Dave Hickey – DPW; , Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Jim Miller- Light Subcommittee; Rick Kinney – WLL; Maura Renzella – WYF; Amy Munchak – Lacrosse; Jay McHale – NRC

1. Call to order
2. Citizen Speak
3. Field Applications :

**Motion:** To conditionally approve James Bede soccer by Jerry Nigro, provided that field space is available during MIAA Tournament and Board of Health approval

**Seconded:** Rick Kinney

**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Kelly Uller – Wellesley Field Hockey; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, , Laurance Stuntz – Recreation, Ann Williams – WLL; Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Maura Renzella – WYF;

4. Field Schedule and Capacity Optimization: Alison Burson inquired how priority of fields is determined. Laurance Stuntz said that schedules/conflicts are worked out amongst Youth Sports user groups for each season and then schedules are submitted to Recreation.
5. 2020 Field Use Fees: Once optimization and capacity is determined, revisit field fees
6. Sprague Turf Fees: Once optimization and capacity is determined, revisit field fees North 40: Discussion regarding landfill
7. North 40: No discussion
8. WHS Stadium Project updates: Linda Chow informed there was School Committee meeting on February 9 that discussed level setting, common understanding of priorities and path forward regarding the various HS stadium projects. Schools and NRC set priorities as bathrooms, team room 7 then lights.
9. Project updates
  - a. Lee Field: project complete
  - b. Multipurpose Field: almost complete, small punch list items.
  - c. Lacrosse Wall: Zoning review, special permit and change to Sprague masterplan will be required. Linda Chow, Beth Sullivan Woods and Jerry Nigro will draft letter on behalf of PFTF of support of wall for ZBA.
  - d. Hunnewell Field Bathrooms : no discussion
10. General Fields discussion: Beth Sullivan Woods informed the PFTF that Wellesley Wonderful Weekend will be held October 1 -3, 2021 with rain dates of 10/11/2021  
Next meeting will discuss Spring field scheduling.
11. Adjourn

**Motion:** To adjourn by Jerry Nigro

**Seconded:** Kelly Uller

Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Kelly Uller – Wellesley Field Hockey; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, , Laurance Stuntz – Recreation, Ann Williams – WLL; Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Maura Renzella – WYF;

**NEXT MEETING:** TBA

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**MINUTES**

**July 14, 2020**

**7:45 am online zoom meeting**

**Attending:**

Ansley Martin – Soccer Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Tripp Sheehan – At-large citizen, Mary Scanlon – Advisory, Tim Bania – Parks, Katie Griffith – NRC, Jay McHale – NRC, Linda Chow – School Dept., Maura Renzella – WYF, Kelly Uller – Wellesley; Jim Miller – Lights Sub Comm., Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Beth Sullivan Woods – BOS; Rick Kinney – WLL; Dave Hickey – DPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation, Matt Chin – Recreation; John Brown – Athletics; Kyle Williams – Athletics

**Approve Minutes from January 12, 2020:**

**Motion:** To accept the minutes from **January 12, 2020 as amended by** Jerry Nigro “Sharon Gray represented SBA and School Committee on the HHU sites.”  
**Seconded:** Justin Maiona  
**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor

**Approve Minutes from January 12, 2020 executive session:**

**Motion:** To accept the minutes from **February 14, 2020 as by** Jerry Nigro  
**Seconded:** Justin Maiona  
**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor

**Approve Minutes from February 14, 2020:**

**Motion:** To accept the minutes from **February 14, 2020 as amended by** Jerry Nigro “Katie Griffith informed the PFTF that the NRC presented their request for a lighting consultant at CPC. CPC approved this request and will bring it to Town Meeting this year.”  
**Seconded:** Justin Maiona  
**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor

**Field Applications:**

**Motion:** To conditionally approve Primetime Lacrosse, Terriers Sports, TDA Soccer and James Bede soccer by Jerry Nigro, provided that field space is available by working with Youth sports groups schedules and that all State and Local youth sports COVID regulations are followed.  
**Seconded:** Justin Maiona  
**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor

Ansley Martin votes to not approve.

**Review and Discuss the state amateur youth and adult sports guidelines**

Matt Chin gave brief synopsis of guidelines

**Softball & Multi-Purpose Field project:** Tripp Sheehan informed the PFTF that the project will be requesting an additional \$400k from CPC for funding at the next ATM.

**Project Updates**

- a. Lee Field Lighting options being determined
- b. Lacrosse Wall: no update
- c. Sprague Field: no update
- d. Hunnewell Field Bathrooms: no update
- e. Stadium/bathroom/team room: No bids received for contained option.

**General Fields Discussion:**

**Citizens Speak:** None.

**Motion:** To adjourn by Jerry Nigro  
**Seconded:** Ansley  
**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor

**NEXT MEETING:** TBA

**PLAYING FIELDS TASK FORCE**

**MINUTES**

**June 3, 2021**

**7:45 am online zoom meeting**

**Attending:**

Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Jay McHale – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation, Matt Chin – Recreation; Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Maura Renzella – WYF; Amy Munchak – Lacrosse; Ansley Martin – Soccer; Kelly Uller – Field Hockey; Jim Miller – Lights Subcommittee; Rick Kinney – WLL; Brandon Schmitt – NRC; Chris Howard – Soccer; Michael Bessette, - Girls Lacrosse; John Brown – HS Athletics; Kyle Williams - Athletics

1. Call to order
2. Citizen Speak
3. Field Applications :

**Motion:** To approve Football Coaches Clinic application by Jerry Nigro.

**Seconded:** Kelly Uller

**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Jay McHale – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation, Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Maura Renzella – WYF; Amy Munchak – Lacrosse; Ansley Martin – Soccer; Kelly Uller – Field Hockey; Rick Kinney – WLL;

4. Fall Schedule Discussion:
5. General Fields discussion: Statements made by PFTF members

Kelly Uller - is strongly advocating for Field Hockey turf space as Babson and Wellesley are closed  
Amy Munchak – User groups are not just offering in-season sports, but year round programming , which is affecting scheduling of fields.

Ansley Martin – COVID did not affect Soccer #'s too badly. Soccer will do what it can to help and work with Field Hockey to find turf space.

Kelly Uller – Volunteer coach schedules cannot get to fields until 530 pm, does not allow sports to start weekly practices earlier. With Field hockey at 70 plus registrations and do not want to get to no cut sports/close registrations due to lack of field space.

Beth Sullivan Woods – Do we have a list of fall needs vs inventory?

Laurance Stuntz: stated in year's past schedules were worked out amongst user groups.

Chris Howard: Having limited time after 530 pm, in the fall, is difficult without lights. Groups have worked together to find field when light is an issue.

Kelly Uller – Looking for any turf as long as groups could the High School practice/game schedule.

Amy Munchak – Not only is space an issue, but also a safety issue when multiple sports are using fields at the same time, like lacrosse and infield for example.

Kelly Uller – Allowing for stadium lights will solve an immediate need for practice times.

Brandon Schmitt stated that concerns from the neighbors is introducing substantial new light with a new activity.

Jay McHale - How much time would be needed by other user groups? We know what School use would be, but need to know what the user group's time would be.

Kelly Uller – Can Field Hockey find at least two days on turf?

Kyle Williams – Athletics is adding football and middle school sports and there is difficulty finding practice space when teams are at away games.

Laurance Stuntz: Asked the user groups to fill out optimization spreadsheet.



Amy Munchak – Most of the user groups are paying large amounts of money to outside facilities, when those funds could be spent in Town.

Michael Bessette – IS there any software to manage this?

Laurance Stuntz – Recreation uses RecTrac that manages facility use.

Laurance Stuntz – This meeting has shown a tremendous demand for a valuable resource.

Jim Miller – 2014 DPW report showed that Hunnewell & Sprague complex shows grass fields are at maximum use.

Kelly Uller – Soccer & Field Hockey will work to solve field conflicts. A long-term discussion should address outside costs.

Amy Munchak – Possible to work towards communicating any open High School field space to youth sports?

## 6. Adjourn

**Motion:** To adjourn by Amu Munchak

**Seconded:** Beth Sullivan Woods

**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Jay McHale – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation, Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Maura Renzella – WYF; Amy Munchak – Lacrosse; Ansley Martin – Soccer; Kelly Uller – Field Hockey; Rick Kinney – WLL;

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**June 12, 2020**

**8:30 am online zoom meeting**

**Attending:**

Ansley Martin – Soccer Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Tripp Sheehan – At-large citizen, Dave Cohen – DPW, Ann Williams – WLL, Mary Scanlon – Advisory, Tim Bania – Parks, Katie Griffith – NRC, Linda Chow – School Dept, Justin Maiona – WYF, Tom Ahearn – WLL, Kelly Uller – Wellesley Scoops, Joe Roberts – WLL Jim Miller – Lights Sub Comm., Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Beth Sullivan Woods – BOS; Rick Kinney – WLL; Dave Hickey – DPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation, Matt Chin – Recreation;

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**Seconded:** Justin Maiona  
**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor

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**Seconded:** Justin Maiona  
**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor

Ansley Martin votes to not approve.

**Review and Discuss the state amateur youth and adult sports guidelines**

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**Softball & Multi-Purpose Field project:** Tripp Sheehan informed the PFTF that the project will be requesting an additional \$400k from CPC for funding at the next ATM.

**Project Updates**

- a. Lee Field Lighting options being determined
- b. Lacrosse Wall: no update
- c. Sprague Field: no update
- d. Hunnewell Field Bathrooms: no update
- e. Stadium/bathroom/team room: No bids received for contained option.

**General Fields Discussion:**

**Citizens Speak:** None.

**Motion:** To adjourn by Jerry Nigro  
**Seconded:** Ansley  
**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor

**NEXT MEETING:** TBA

**PLAYING FIELDS TASK FORCE**

**MINUTES**

**March 19, 2021**

**7:45 am online zoom meeting**

**Attending:**

Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Kelly Uller – Wellesley Field Hockey; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation, Matt Chin – Recreation; John Brown – Athletics; Kyle Williams – Athletics, Dave Cohen – DPW; Dave Hickey – DPW, Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Julie Newman- Lacrosse; Rick Kinney – WLL; Maura Renzella – WYF; Amy Munchak – Lacrosse; Brandon Schmitt – NRC; Mary Scanlon – Advisory, Trip Sheehan – At-Large Citizen

1. Call to order
2. Citizen Speak
3. Field Applications :

**Motion:** To approve Terrier Sports by Jerry Nigro

**Seconded:** Rick Kinney

**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Kelly Uller – Wellesley Field Hockey; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation, Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Rick Kinney – WLL; Maura Renzella – WYF; Advisory, Trip Sheehan – At-Large Citizen

4. WHS Track & Field Project update- Linda Chow presented to the School Committee next steps and the process to completing the Team rooms and Stadium bathrooms. Regarding the stadium lights, School Committee will be working to draft a policy taking into account what other school districts have done.
5. Other Project updates: Dave Hickey provided updates
  - a. Lee Field: project complete and still in good shape
  - b. Multipurpose Field: almost complete, small punch list items including dugout, pavers and scoreboard. Field playable though.
  - c. Lacrosse Wall: A letter drafted by Linda Chow, Beth Sullivan Woods and Jerry Nigro, will be attached to the application submitted to Zoning Board. Additionally, the Sprague Master plan will be updated to include the lacrosse wall.
  - d. Hunnewell Field Bathrooms : Bids are in, meeting with Design review Board
6. Field Schedule and Capacity Optimization: Laurance Stuntz discussed working to getting revised spring schedules (not blanket permits) to Matt Chin so we can know any possible gaps in the schedule can be used by other groups.
7. Football & Field update: Kyle Williams informed PFTF that the Spring season will begin, with School Committee approval, April 26 – July 3.
8. April Vacation Field application: taken under agenda #3:
9. General Fields discussion: Beth Sullivan Woods informed the PFTF that Wellesley Wonderful Weekend will be held October 1 -3, 2021 with rain dates of 10/11/2021  
Next meeting will discuss Spring field scheduling.
10. Adjourn

**Motion:** To adjourn by Rick Kinney

**Seconded:** Kelly Uller

All Task Force members in attendance in favor Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Kelly Uller – Wellesley Field Hockey; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation, Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Rick Kinney – WLL; Maura Renzella – WYF; Advisory, Trip Sheehan – At-Large Citizen

**NEXT MEETING:** TBA

**PLAYING FIELDS TASK FORCE**

**MINUTES**

**April 9, 2021**

**7:45 am online zoom meeting**

**Attending:**

Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation, Matt Chin – Recreation; Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Maura Renzella – WYF; Amy Munchak – Lacrosse; Trip Sheehan – At-Large Citizen;; Ansley Martin – Soccer; Ann Williams – WLL; Kelly Uller – Field Hockey; Andrew Boyle – resident, Linda Missouri - Resident

1. Call to order
2. Citizen Speak
3. Field Applications :

**Motion:** To conditionally approve Jeff Katz TDA application by Jerry Nigro. Provided that HS Athletics do not have any conflicts

**Seconded:** Ansley Martin

**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation; Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Maura Renzella – WYF; Amy Munchak – Lacrosse; Trip Sheehan – At-Large Citizen; Ansley Martin – Soccer; Ann Williams – WLL; Kelly Uller – Field Hockey

**Motion:** To conditionally approve Jason Wellemeyer/Primetime Lacrosse application by Jerry Nigro. Provided that HS Athletics do not have any conflicts and Board of Health guidelines are adhered to.

**Seconded:** Kelly Uller

**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation; Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Maura Renzella – WYF; Amy Munchak – Lacrosse; Trip Sheehan – At-Large Citizen; Ansley Martin – Soccer; Ann Williams – WLL; Kelly Uller – Field Hockey

**Motion:** To approve Babson Women Lacrosse & Nike Camp application by Ansley Martin.

**Seconded:** Jerry Nigro

**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation; Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Maura Renzella – WYF; Amy Munchak – Lacrosse; Trip Sheehan – At-Large Citizen; Ansley Martin – Soccer; Ann Williams – WLL; Kelly Uller – Field Hockey

**Motion:** To approve Patrick Hurley/Pack 185 application by Jerry Nigro.

**Seconded:** Ansley Martin

**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation; Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Maura Renzella – WYF; Amy Munchak – Lacrosse; Trip Sheehan – At-Large Citizen; Ansley Martin – Soccer; Ann Williams – WLL; Kelly Uller – Field Hockey

**Motion:** To approve Wellesley Youth Football application by Jerry Nigro.

**Seconded:** Kelly Uller

**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation;

Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Maura Renzella – WYF; Amy Munchak – Lacrosse; Trip Sheehan – At-Large Citizen; Ansley Martin – Soccer; Ann Williams – WLL; Kelly Uller – Field Hockey

**Motion:** To approve Terriers Sports application for summer camp program at Kelly Fields by Jerry Nigro.

**Seconded:** Ansley Martin

**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation; Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Maura Renzella – WYF; Amy Munchak – Lacrosse; Trip Sheehan – At-Large Citizen; Ansley Martin – Soccer; Ann Williams – WLL; Kelly Uller – Field Hockey

**Motion:** To conditionally approve Community Investors PowerPuff application for by Kelly Uller if there are no conflicts with other user groups and final sound system use must be approved by NRC

**Seconded:** Ansley Martin

**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation; Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Maura Renzella – WYF; Amy Munchak – Lacrosse; Trip Sheehan – At-Large Citizen; Ansley Martin – Soccer; Ann Williams – WLL; Kelly Uller – Field Hockey

**Motion:** To approve Wellesley Youth Field Hockey application for by Amy Munchak

**Seconded:** Tripp Sheehan

**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation; Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Maura Renzella – WYF; Amy Munchak – Lacrosse; Trip Sheehan – At-Large Citizen; Ansley Martin – Soccer; Ann Williams – WLL; Kelly Uller – Field Hockey

**Motion:** To approve Wellesley Girls Lacrosse application for by Amy Munchak

**Seconded:** Tripp Sheehan

**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation; Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Maura Renzella – WYF; Amy Munchak – Lacrosse; Trip Sheehan – At-Large Citizen; Ansley Martin – Soccer; Ann Williams – WLL; Kelly Uller – Field Hockey

4. Field Schedule and Capacity Optimization: Laurance Stuntz reminded user groups to add their schedule information to distributed google doc.
5. Project updates:
  - a. Lacrosse Wall: Plans have been stamped and forwarded to DRB and ZBA
  - b. Hunnewell Field Bathrooms: Structure approved by Health, waiting on delivery and Cataldo site work.
  - c. WHS Track & Field Project updates:
6. General Fields discussion:
7. Adjourn

**Motion:** To adjourn by Tripp Sheehan

**Seconded:** Kelly Uller

All Task Force members in attendance in favor Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation; Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Maura Renzella – WYF; Amy Munchak – Lacrosse; Trip Sheehan – At-Large Citizen; Ansley Martin – Soccer; Ann Williams – WLL; Kelly Uller – Field Hockey

**NEXT MEETING:** TBA



**PLAYING FIELDS TASK FORCE**

**MINUTES**

**October 2, 2020**

**7:45 am online zoom meeting**

**Attending:**

Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Tripp Sheehan –At-large citizen, Mary Scanlon – Advisory, Tim Bania – Parks, Katie Griffith – NRC, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Dept;, , Kelly Uller – Wellesley Field Hockey; Jeff Wechsler – BPW,; Rick Kinney – WLL,; Laurance Stuntz – Recreation, Matt Chin – Recreation; John Brown – Athletics;; Ann Williams – WLL; Dave Cohen – DPW; George Defina – Wellesley Youth Basketball; Nancy Williamson– Wellesley Youth Basketball; Brandon Schmitt – NRC, Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board

1. Call to order
2. Citizen Speak
3. Field Applications

**Motion:** To approve Beantown Bombers by Jerry Nigro, provided that field space is available by working with Youth sports groups schedules and that all State and Local youth sports COVID regulations are followed.

**Seconded:** Rick Kinney

**Vote:** All in favor Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Tripp Sheehan –At-large citizen, Katie Griffith – NRC, Linda Chow – School Dept;, , Kelly Uller – Wellesley Field Hockey; Jeff Wechsler – BPW,; Rick Kinney – WLL,; Laurance Stuntz – Beth Sullivan Woods

4. State and Wellesley Board of Health COVID-19 amateur sports guidelines

Matt Chin will add COVID guidelines to PFTF website

5. Youth Basketball

George Defina and Nancy Williamson presented some ideas the Wellesley Youth Basketball (WYB) has regarding their upcoming winter season. With school gyms closed, considering dome/bubble over outdoor basketball courts. WYB presented some options. WYB will discuss with Board of Health.

6. Stadium Lights project

- a. NRC Lighting consultant: Katie Griffith informed PFTF that NRC has hired a lighting consultant, Bob Parks to assess current lightning technology at Hunnewell Tennis courts, Reidy field and Multi-Purpose field. He will look at the Stadium and currently lit fields as it relates to “dark sky” compliance. Due to pandemic, there are issue with Mr. Parks getting onsite, but it will take only 2-3 days of work, once he is able to travel safely.

7. Governance

- a. Chair – vote

**Motion:** To approve Laurance Stuntz as PFTF Chairperson by Jerry Nigro,

**Seconded:** Tripp Sheehan

**Vote:** All in favor Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Tripp Sheehan –At-large citizen, Katie Griffith – NRC, Linda Chow – School Dept;, , Kelly Uller – Wellesley Field Hockey; Jeff Wechsler – BPW,; Rick Kinney – WLL,; Beth Sullivan Woods

b. Vice Chair – vote

**Motion:** To approve Jerry Nigro as PFTF Vice Chairperson by Ansley Martin,

**Seconded:** Beth Sullivan Woods

**Vote:** All in favor Tripp Sheehan –At-large citizen, Katie Griffith – NRC, Linda Chow – School Dept,, , Kelly Uller – Wellesley Field Hockey; Jeff Wechsler – BPW,; Rick Kinney – WLL,; Laurance Stuntz – Beth Sullivan Woods

c. Citizen At –Large vote

**Motion:** To approve Tripp Sheehan as PFTF Citizen At – Large representative by Laurance Stuntz,

**Seconded:** Rick Kinney

**Vote:** All in favor Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Katie Griffith – NRC, Linda Chow – School Dept,, , Kelly Uller – Wellesley Field Hockey; Jeff Wechsler – BPW,; Rick Kinney – WLL,; Laurance Stuntz – Beth Sullivan Woods

8. Project updates

- a. Lee Field: There is a puddling issue that the contractor is aware of and fixing.
- b. Multipurpose Field “: There is electric and field work around the dugout. There is also shadowing caused by a tree that Parks will assist.
- c. Lacrosse Wall: no update
- d. Sprague Field : field work is complete
- e. Hunnewell Field Bathrooms: There will be a CPC funding request.
- f. Stadium bathroom / team room: no update

9. General Fields discussion

Next meeting will discuss Spring field scheduling.

10. Adjourn

**Motion:** To adjourn by Tripp Sheehan

**Seconded:** Kelly Uller

**Vote:** All in favor Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Katie Griffith – NRC, Linda Chow – School Dept,, , Kelly Uller – Wellesley Field Hockey; Jeff Wechsler – BPW,; Rick Kinney – WLL,; Laurance Stuntz – Beth Sullivan Woods

**NEXT MEETING:** TBA

**PLAYING FIELDS TASK FORCE**

**MINUTES**

**October 8, 2021**

**7:45 am online zoom meeting**

**Attending:**

Jerry Nigro – Boys Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation, Matt Chin – Recreation; Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board;; Ansley Martin – Soccer; Kelly Uller – Field Hockey; Michael Bessette, - Girls Lacrosse; Kyle Williams – HS Athletics; Dave Hickey – DPW; Tripp Sheehan – Citizen At-large; Michael Bessette – Girls Lacrosse; Julie Newman – Girls Lacrosse; Paul DePhillips – DPW;; Bea bezmalinovic – NRC; Wendy Paul – Advisory; Amy Munchak – Girls Lacrosse

1. Call to order – Introduced Bea as new NRC representative to PFTF
2. Citizen Speak
3. Field Applications : None
  
4. Playing Fields Task Force Charter
  - a. Wellesley Girls Lacrosse
  - b. Wellesley Boys Lacrosse
  - c. Wellesley Youth Field Hockey

Discussion raised by Alison Burson about the potential for adding neighborhood representatives to the PFTF as voting members

A robust discussion ensued with most members weighing in with concerns with this approach due to the non-elected nature of a neighborhood representative and the fact that the Task Force’s primary mission is to organize activity within the confines of the regulations for field use set by the land owners/maintainers. The sense of the Task Force is that the appropriate advocacy point for field abutters is with the elected Boards that own various parcels of land used for sports.

**Motion:** To approve the changes to the charter and recommend to the elected Boards by Beth Sullivan Woods

**Seconded:** Jerry Nigro

**Vote:** Jerry Nigro – Boys Lacrosse, , Linda Chow – School Comm; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation,; Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Ansley Martin – Soccer; Kelly Uller – Field Hockey; Tripp Sheehan – Citizen At-large; Bea Bezmalinovic – NRC

5. Project updates:
  - a. Lacrosse Wall:

DPW working to modify the Sprague master plan to include the lacrosse wall  
Get ZBA approval is next step  
Sense is that we will get this in front of ZBA pretty quickly
  
  - b. Aqueduct Bathrooms: plans have been stamped, which allows Cataldo to submit building permit.

Bathroom is ordered  
Have purchase order drawings  
Hoping to have stamped plans shortly  
Then contractor can pull permits, they are ready to go  
Hope is that the permit can be pulled and foundation work can be done even after first frost  
Building itself might not come until late winter, but if the foundation is in, then the building can be placed even in winter.  
Goal is to have the project open for the Spring 2022

c. WHS Track & Field Project updates:

Planning a combination bathroom/concession structure as part of the plan

Schools is meeting with neighborhood representatives

Schools is also developing a Traffic and Parking Management Plan

On 9/28 Schools discussed the proposal detailed on the project page [here](#) and voted 5-0 to recommend the proposal to NRC

6. General Fields discussion

7. Adjourn

**Motion:** To adjourn by Kelly Uller

**Seconded:** Ansley Martin

**Vote:** Jerry Nigro – Boys Lacrosse, , Linda Chow – School Comm; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation,; Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Ansley Martin – Soccer; Kelly Uller – Field Hockey; Tripp Sheehan – Citizen At-large; Bea Bezmalinovic – NRC

**NEXT MEETING:** TBA

**PLAYING FIELDS TASK FORCE**

**MINUTES**

**September 17, 2021**

**7:45 am online zoom meeting**

**Attending:**

Jerry Nigro – Boys Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation, Matt Chin – Recreation; Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Maura Renzella – WYF; Amy Munchak – Girls Lacrosse; Ansley Martin – Soccer; Kelly Uller – Field Hockey; Brandon Schmitt – NRC; Chris Howard – Soccer; Michael Bessette, - Girls Lacrosse; John Brown – HS Athletics; Dave Cohen – DPW; Dave Hickey – DPW; Tripp Sheehan – Citizen At-large; Michael Bessette – Girls Lacrosse; Julie Newman – Girls Lacrosse; Tim Bania – DPW; Paul DePhillips – DPW; Ann Williams – WLL

1. Call to order
2. Citizen Speak
3. Minutes
4. Field Applications :

**Motion:** To conditionally approve Concord United \_OTHSL application by Jerry Nigro, provided that there are no scheduling conflicts

**Seconded:** Maura Renzella

**Vote:** Jerry Nigro – Boys Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation, Ann Williams – WLL; Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Maura Renzella – WYF; Amy Munchak – Girls Lacrosse; Ansley Martin – Soccer; Kelly Uller – Field Hockey; Tripp Sheehan – Citizen At-large;

**Motion** To approve Nick Wilson application by Ansley Martin

**Seconded:** Maura Renzella

**Vote:** Jerry Nigro – Boys Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation, Ann Williams – WLL; Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Maura Renzella – WYF; Amy Munchak – Girls Lacrosse; Ansley Martin – Soccer; Kelly Uller – Field Hockey; Tripp Sheehan – Citizen At-large;

J. Lowe Soccer Camp application – No action taken

5. Field Schedule & Capacity Optimization : Please complete google doc
6. Wellesley Girls Lacrosse:

**Motion** To approve add Wellesley Girls Lacrosse as a voting member of PFTF and to have the sponsoring boards vote to approve charter change. by Kelly Uller

**Seconded:** Maura Renzella

**Vote:** Jerry Nigro – Boys Lacrosse, Linda Chow – School Comm; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation, Ann Williams – WLL; Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Maura Renzella – WYF; Amy Munchak – Girls Lacrosse; Ansley Martin – Soccer; Kelly Uller – Field Hockey; Tripp Sheehan – Citizen At-large;

7. Safety Signage: Resident that abuts Hardy baseball field is dealing with a safety issue involving older kids/adults hitting baseballs into his yard. The field size is not appropriate for older kids and adults. Can signage be added? Parks will install signage but needs language. John Brown suggested “Batting practice limited to players 12 years old and younger.” General agreement by PFTF

8. Project updates:
  - a. Lacrosse Wall: Application submitted to ZBA site plan
  - b. Aqueduct Bathrooms: plans have been stamped, which allows Cataldo to submit building permit.
  - c. WHS Track & Field Project updates: Linda Chow and Jim Roberti presented lights proposal that will address impact on neighbors and Natural Resources neighbor survey.
  - d. Hunnewell outdoor basketball courts: waiting for delivery of parts and work will be scheduled.
9. General Fields discussion

10. Adjourn

**Motion:** To adjourn by Jerry Nigro

**Seconded:** Maura Renzella

**Vote:** Jerry Nigro – Boys Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation, Ann Williams – WLL; Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Maura Renzella – WYF; Amy Munchak – Girls Lacrosse; Ansley Martin – Soccer; Kelly Uller – Field Hockey; Tripp Sheehan – Citizen At-large;

**NEXT MEETING:** TBA

## PLAYING FIELDS TASK FORCE

### MINUTES

November 19, 2021

7:45 am online zoom meeting

#### Attending:

Jerry Nigro – Boys Lacrosse, Allison Burson – NRC, Linda Chow – School Comm; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation, Matt Chin – Recreation; Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Kelly Uller – Field Hockey; John Brown– HS Athletics; Kyle Williams – HS Athletics; Dave Cohen – DPW Dave Hickey – DPW; Tripp Sheehan – Citizen At-large;; Julie Newman – Girls Lacrosse; Paul DePhillips – DPW;; Bea bezmalinovic – NRC; Amy Munchak – Girls Lacrosse; Rick Kinney, WLL; Chris Howard – Soccer; Jim Miller – Lights Subcommittee; Ann Williams \_ WLL; Brandon Schmitt – NRC; Tim Bania - DPW

1. Call to order –

2. Citizen Speak

3. Minutes \_ review for next meeting

4. Field Applications : Discussion regarding submission process.

Kelly Uller asked if it may be more productive to have a stand alone meeting for field scheduling? This would allow full transparency of all users and their schedules, and their no longer be a blanket scheduling process.

Julie Neman: agrees there needs to be a better process, it can be stressful.

John Brown stated that PFTF was created to deal with these specific issues.

Amy Munchak said that a separate subcommittee would not work. Need to have a separate impartial person to manage conflicts and a central system to view schedules.

Bea Bezmalinovic informed PFTF that NRC is looking to create an RFP looking at a study for field optimization

Laurance Stuntz asked if a question could include what other Towns are doing for scheduling, software, fees, etc.

Kelly Uller added that naming of field has caused issues with other groups. A comprehensive process is needed where all groups know how they use fields and what they are call. Collectively work together to determine actual field needs.

Laurance Stuntz suggested groups to workout scheduling and give them to Recreation to determine conflicts.

Chris Howard suggested looking at the actual numbers being used and/or needed at each to determine usage and equity.

Julie Newman feels it is more complicated when looking at numbers. Baseball uses less players, but needs required field space to play.

Allison Burson appreciated Julie's comment and that fields should be looked at holistically especially how one activity could affect other activities.

5. Field Names/References

Kelly Uller stated possible renaming allows to look at other field configurations.

John Brown stated that while groups refer to the Trakc and Field as "Darcey Field," that is technically not the official field name.

Laurance Stuntz asked that a list of fields be sent around for review.

John Brown stated that Kyle Williams will first work on the field naming.

Laurance Stuntz asked that the general purposes/use be included

Kyle Williams will also include address and parking locations as well.

Tim Bania suggested using numbers for field naming.

Amy Munchak would like to see the field naming done soon.

Kelly Uller mentioned that parking at Sprague is a safety issue. Can signage be installed, and could Police be involved?

#### 6. NRC Field Optimization Study RFP

Bea Bezmalinovic informed PFTF that NRC is currently working on a field utilization study RFP, that will be used to support stakeholders by understanding how fields are utilized. The study will look at fields and courts looking at 1) assessing current & future needs 2) benchmark fees 3) streamline scheduling process and options 4) how to be efficient with multiple groups across the Town.

Study funding plans to be done via CPC.

Brandon Schmitt will distribute a draft of the RFP for feedback on scope of services.

Laurance Stuntz asked that all feedback go through Matt Chin at Recreation and Matt will forward to Brandon.

Jim Miller asked if the RFP is mutually exclusive from the field lights project? Bea Bezmalinovic responded that both projects are complete separate from each other.

#### 7. Project updates

- a. Lacrosse Wall: Currently trying to secure a date with ZBA.
- b. Aqueduct bathrooms: Waiting on stamped architect plans. Cataldo is holding December to do work.
- c. WHS Track & Field projects: Linda Chow thanked NRC for allowing her and School committee to present the other night and extending them additional time. There is conceptual agreement, allowing the amount of restrooms required, be reduced from 29 to 14. Team rooms will be bundled with lighting funding. In regards to lighting, the focus is on School usage and keeping nights games to 20, balancing stakeholders needs with neighborhood impact.

Laurance Stuntz asked about timing on a decision?

Bea Bezmalinovic responded that NRC is still digesting the information.

#### 8. General Fields discussion

Rick Kinney inquired if Laurance received a letter from Softball coach Pete Serezze regarding water issues on Lee & Sprague? John Brown agreed that there has been a drainage problem since the field was installed. Dave Hickey said they are looking a solutions, one of which is to replace the infield clay to improve drainage.

#### 9. Adjourn

**Motion:** To adjourn by Kelly Uller

**Seconded:** Rick Kinney

**Vote:** Jerry Nigro – Boys Lacrosse, , Linda Chow – School Comm; Jeff Wechsler – BPW, Laurance Stuntz – Recreation,; Beth Sullivan Woods – Select Board; Chris Howard – Soccer; Kelly Uller – Field Hockey; Tripp Sheehan – Citizen At-large; Bea Bezmalinovic – NRC; Amy Munchak; Rick Kinney - WLL

**NEXT MEETING:** TBA