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BELMONT RECREATION COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2017

7 PM

In Attendance: Dave Kane, Anthony Ferrante, Kathy Jones, Mary Bradley, Matt Sullivan, Ann Bere, Lynn Findlay, June Howell, Frank Sartori, Jay Marcotte

**Belmont Youth Hockey: Elena Hanley, Bob Mulroy, Matt Rowan**

- 300-400 Belmont kids
- Serves children from ages 3 (Mini Marauders) to high school (Bantam)
- Valley League (Boys) NYCGC (Girls)
- Middle School Team new last year
- Skills-Practices-Games
- Ice time in Watertown and Somerville for practices until Belmont makes ice (Nov 1<sup>st</sup>)
- BYHA schedules practices
- VHL & NYCGC schedules games
- Concerns are the shape of the Belmont rink overall, bathrooms, birds in the rink

**Belmont Youth Baseball: Chris Donahue, Pete Noone**

- 675 Belmont kids (100) softball
- Ages 7- 17 (Babe Ruth)
- Softball as well as Baseball
- All seasons Spring, Summer and Fall outside Winter workouts inside
- Middlesex and Bay State Leagues
- Cal Ripken
- Concerns are finding field space, batting cages

**Friends of Town Field: Mike Walsh**

- Plan to upgrade playground structures only on the existing footprint
- Several potential structures and prices submitted
- Cost estimated \$180,000 for removal of old equipment and upgrade and installation of new structures
- Application to be forwarded to CPA

**Payson Park Structure:** Tomi Olsen

- Possible neighbor issue
- Plans to be resubmitted
- Application forwarded to CPA

**Belmont Youth Baseball:** Chris Donahue, Pete Noone- Present proposal for batting cages placement at Grove St. Playground

**Friends of Grove St:** Deb Lockett, Donna Ravolo, Stephen Pinkerton

- Concerns regarding the placement of the walking path close to the current baseball fields
- Safety for the baseball players with batting practice as well as safety for people walking on the path
- Grading of the field for the batting cages
- Size of the batting cages
- Recommendations for BYBA and Friends of Grove St to work on a plan whereby both the path and the cages will work for everyone

**General and Ongoing Business:**

- Financial Report on 2017 summer programs- tabled due to time
- School Year Program/Events Update- tabled due to time
- Review and accept minutes from 9/12 and 9/19- minutes reviewed and changes made to minutes- minutes accepted with changes