Minutes of the Meeting of the Recreation Commission - Monday, October 1, 2012

- Attending:

- John Owens, David Kane, Lee Slap, Laurie Carlson, Dennis Rocha, Ann Bere, June Howell

7:02 pm: Meeting Called to Order

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- Lynn Findlay, President of the PODS (Parents of Dolphin Swimmers) attended to give members a recap of the success the team had last season and plans for this upcoming season. Ideas were exchanged on how to access more pool time and Drylands practice time for the team. Members were concerned about the number of children who try out for the team and the cuts that have to be made. It was decided that we could try to have more clinics for those children so they will not be discouraged from trying out again in future years.

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- Diane Miller, co-chair of Belmont Partners in Play attended the meeting to update the Commission on the efforts to re-build Joey's Park and the upcoming walk on October 14. The Commission members offered support and it was agreed that June Howell would be the liaison between Commission members, Partners in Play and other Town Departments as needed.

John Madden attended to discuss again the possible expansion of the snack bar at the rink and the amount of the new bid if expansion does happen. The Commission members agreed that they would not change the amount of the minimum bid for a 3 year contract. That price will be \$3,000., \$3,500., and \$4,000. for three consecutive years if a new bid is needed.

- June Howell updated the Commission members on operations in the Department, including reports on summer programs, the Underwood Pool and upcoming fall and winter programs.

- Commission members discussed the report by the MA Dept. of Health and the violations found at the Underwood Pool. The Department will work together with both the Town's Health Dept. and Dept. of Public Works on the possibility of making repairs and improvements in an effort to ensure that the pool can open safely next summer.

- The Commission re-elected both John Owens as Chair and David Kane as Vice-Chair of the Commission for another one-year term.

- The minutes of the meeting of May 31 meeting were reviewed and accepted.

- 9:16 pm: Meeting Adjourned

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