Belmont Recreation Commission Minutes for the Nov.3, 2008 Meeting

- Present: June Howell, Lee Slap, Stephanie King, Bill McKenney, Betsy Lipson, Neal Fay, Noreen Millane, Dennis Rocha

- Meeting began at 7:05 pm

- 1. David Alper, Donna Moultrup & Laurie Carlson provided an overview of the Youth Commission. Budget cuts will be eliminating the commission but they are hopeful the programs can be completed under the Rec. Dept. They are seeking approx. \$5000 in funding and will be approaching DARE for a portion.

- 2. Bob Kochem from Belmont Adult Soccer requested that they be recognized as a Rec. Program. He would recruit volunteer coordinators and assist in the change from a volunteer organization to a program. Vote to accept was 4-0.

3. Program report

- a. Pool & Field house registration is underway. Low enrollment in Sat. swimming is a concern.

b. The rink opened Nov. 1 with classes starting on the 4th.

- c. John Madden's bid of \$2000 annually was accepted for the rink snack bar.

- d. Town Field - 2^{nd} Soccer to work with Jim Davis on permits.

- e. June to get estimates on a sound system for the rink.

- f. While revenue increased last year, a level service budget would be acceptable.

- g. All programs will be contacted regarding insurance prior to the Dec.9th meeting.

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- 4. The BYBA permit/insurance issue was discussed in detail. Two options - get insurance on their own or become an official rec. program (where rec. collects fees and pays expenses). The Rec. dept. has not collected any funds since 2004. Proposed was to have all interested parties meet to resolve.

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5. Request to flood outdoor skating area more often to be made to DPW.

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- 6. Pool temp. has been discussed with Bob Martin who explained that heating costs are very high. PODs to pursue with the School Board.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:15.

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