

- Minutes of the Meeting of the Recreation Commission
- March 23, 2010

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- Attending:

- Stephanie King, Betsy Lipson, John Owens, Ann Bere, Lee Slap, David Kane

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- Absent:

- Dennis Rocha, Andrew Levin, Laurie Carlson

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- The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm

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- This meeting was designed specifically to work with a facilitator, Mr. Ian Lipson, to help focus the Commission on how and what to prioritize. Specifically, to determine the direction of the Board in the next year. Short and long term goals were discussed

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- After an enthusiastic discussion the Commission decided that the first priority will be to improve relations with the Belmont School Dept. in regards to facility use and scheduling. The Commissioners and Department staff feel that with a change in leadership at the School Department, this is the time to strengthen that relationship.

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- Each member was assigned a task to determine the future direction of the Department and the results will be shared at the next meeting.

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- The Director updated members on the expected completion of the sound system installation at the skating rink. This is a high quality system which will allow optimum sound during hockey games, special events and public skating sessions. Once again, we are grateful for the partnership we share with local youth groups and other Town Departments.

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- A complete financial report of the skating rink for the past season will be available as soon as all invoices are received by the Department of Public Works and shared with the Recreation Department.

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- Closing weekend events at the skating rink went well despite torrential rains. A number of enthusiastic families involved in Recreation Hockey and Belmont Youth Hockey enjoyed a family cookout and music provided by DJ Vinny O'Connell. Awards and medals were distributed to Recreation Hockey players throughout the weekend.

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- Meeting concluded at 9:20 pm