

Belmont Recreation Commission

Minutes of Meeting of May 8, 2006

Attendance:

Mary Ann Johnson
Peter Pomponi
Daniel MacAuley

Tim Allen
Kathleen Ruane
Noreen Millane

Robert Delhome
Stephanie King

Meeting Called to Order: 7:08 p.m.

The meeting opened with the Director updating the members on current programs. An all time high number of boys and girls are registered for the Conley League baseball, softball and tee-ball programs for the Spring season. There will be a total of 38 teams in the various leagues, also an all time high. The members expressed their appreciation to Belmont Hill School for the continued usage of 2 ball diamonds, which greatly helps these popular youth programs at this time of year.

The lifeguard training course concluded last week at BHS. Fifteen Belmont teens took advantage of this opportunity.

Schedules and administrative staffing are set for the upcoming summer programs and at the Underwood Pool. The Department is currently interviewing all applicants for summer part time employment.

The good news on the financial front is that the revenue for the fiscal year to date is \$29,000. ahead of last year's total through 10 months. The bad news is that the Department has been informed that the budget request for FY 07 has been cut by \$40,000. to the reduced service budget. A discussion was held on what schedules and programs will have to be cut to meet this new budget total.

Three members of the Warrant Committee attended the meeting; Ralph Jones, Pat Bruschi and Liz Allison. An interesting discussion was held concerning revenue issues and cost allocations. It was agreed that more study is needed to properly divide the cost responsibilities for field maintenance.

The Commission will form three 3-person groups to study the operation and costs of the rink, pool and fields.

A request for a scholarship for summer programs was reviewed. No decision was made pending further review.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:28 p.m.