

**Belmont Recreation Commission
Minutes of Meeting of June 14, 2004**

Attendance:

Lee Barber	Stephanie King	Noreen Millane
Richard Wright	Peter Pomponi	Tim Allen
MaryAnn Johnson	Daniel MacAuley	

Meeting Called to Order: 7:06 p.m.

Jim Fitzgerald of the Belmont Soccer Association presented information for improved irrigation and maintenance for the Town's playgrounds and athletic fields. This will involve the additions of wells at the fields. There is a committee set up for this project, the University of Massachusetts will assist and local financing for the project appears set. A request was made to have a representative from the Recreation Commission on the committee and Peter Pomponi volunteered to do it.

Chris Messer of the Second Soccer group presented information on new storage boxes to be used by the Second Soccer group at Town Field and Winn Brook. The Commission members felt these would be a significant improvement over the current boxes and voted unanimous approval. These new boxes should be installed before next Fall.

Chairman Lee Barber thanked members of the Commission for their support and reviewed some of the Commission's accomplishments during the past 3 years. The members thanked him for his time and effort and wished him well in the future.

An election was held for new Commission Officers. MaryAnn Johnson was elected Chairman, Dan MacAuley was elected Vice Chair and new member Tim Allen was elected Treasurer. Due to the fact that the Director takes extensive notes at each meeting the position of Secretary for the Commission was abolished..

The Payson Park Music Festival schedule was reviewed. At the end of the season, Program Director Tomi Olson will provide the Commission with a report on how the program went and the costs for the different musical groups that performed. A total of 12 evening concerts and 2 children's matinee performances are scheduled to begin June 16

The members agreed to officially sponsor the Sports Equipment Sale planned by John Madden for the skating rink in the fall. It was suggested that the date and publicity for this event be set as soon as possible.

It was also voted by the members to attempt to increase the number of revenue producing ads at the rink to 12 for the next season. The possibility of adding them to the boards will be checked into. It was voted that revenue from all ads in the rink will go to the Recreation Department's deposits to the General Fund.

The current revenue total through 11 months of the fiscal year is well behind projections. A discussion of the possible reasons for this was held. Summer programs attendance is

far behind projected numbers. These programs are among our largest revenue producers. The members are hopeful of a late rush of business during the final weeks of June, similar to last year.

Meeting adjourned: 9:04 p.m.