

The minutes of the May 20, 2019 meeting of the East Longmeadow Recreation Commission.

The meeting was called to order by Tom Kaye, chairperson at 6:04pm.

Roll call: Tom Kaye, Kevin McLoughlin, Brian Davis, Don LePage, Carolanne Elmendorf, Nancy Roberts, Georgie Emmanuel (associate rec. director), Donna Prather (rec. director)

The minutes of the April 29, 2019 were approved 5-0 as submitted.

Opportunity for Guest to Address the Commission

Katie Reilly presented concerns:

- *Graphics on baseball uniform shirts
- *Suggested an end of season survey for parents
- *Coaches discretion to play on fields or a random soccer field
- *Policy of playing makeup games on Sunday morning
- *Difficulties with the scoreboard at Leahy Field

Director's Report

*Policy for non profit discount on rental of Pine Knoll Facilities. The Commission said there has been no policy in the past.

*A machine has been ordered to help groom and maintain the ball fields. A truckload of the proper clay has been ordered.

*It would cost approximately \$25,000 to upgrade and improve Leahy Field.

A motion was made Tom Kaye and seconded by Kevin McLoughlin that the Recreation Commission would support the Recreation Director to fund up to \$15,000 of the Veteran Field Improvement Project.

Discussion: More usages by the older age groups may lead to more improvements.

Explore more opportunities for specific contractors for the project

Kevin would work on locating contractors

Motion passed 5-0

*Open Space Plan is complete. June 11, 2019 it will be presented to Town Council. June 12, 2019 is the public hearing.

New Business

State is upping CPC monies. Tom Kaye's term on the CPC is expiring and a new Recreation Representative is needed by July 1, 2019.

Land at 792 Parker St. is becoming available. This abuts our assess property. Tom Kaye recommends that a request be put into the town to purchase the house and move the Recreation Department to this location. It is a 3300 sq. ft. house going to auction on June 7th.

Soccer trip to Gillette Stadium will be Wednesday, June 26, 2019. Promote through board announcements. It includes field passes, special box seating and bus.

On September 19, 2019 the East Longmeadow High School choral group will be singing during the Red Sox game at Fenway Park.

A motion was made by Tom Kaye and seconded by Don LePage to adjourned the meeting at 7:06pm.

The next meeting will be held on June 3, 2019 at 6:00pm at East Longmeadow High School 180 Maple St. in the cafeteria.

Approved as amended 6/17/2019