

**Town of Northborough  
Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting  
April 3, 2017**

*These Minutes were unanimously approved at the Commission's May 14, 2017 Meeting.*

**In attendance: David Putnam, Mark Awdycki, Sean Durkin, Faith Stevens, Allison Lane, Michelle Lyseth**

**5:39pm—Meeting Called to Order.**

**5:40pm—March Minutes Approved.** Dave Putnam (DP) made a motion to approve minutes from the last meeting in March. Faith Stevens (FS) seconded, all in approval.

**6:15pm—Recreation Report.** Allie Lane (AL) said that one of the light poles at Melican Middle School fell after a recent storm. Mark Awdycki (MA) asked if all of light poles need to be replaced? AL said yes, the light poles were old, donated by Mark Fidrych in the 90's for the Men's Softball program. Testing revealed that the remaining poles are in poor condition, bids are out for removal costs. The poles have to be removed before the field can be used again. DP asked how the funds would be raised for the replacement; AL said possibly through a CPC grant, to be discussed at next year's Town Meeting. Faith Stevens (FS) asked: 'What will [youth] football use?' AL said they will have to rent lights; DP added that they can be rented used trailers that are anchored. Next, AL said that she had met with Michelle Karb, Melican Middle School Principal, about portopotties at Melican. At that time, Ms. Karb told AL she could 'forfeit' the portopotties and just use the bathrooms inside, but later contacted AL to say that she was mistaken. DP asked what the monthly rental fee is? AL: '\$140.00'. Next, AL said that she had spoken with Paul Cacciatore (President of Northborough Youth Baseball) who said that there have been drainage issues with the new viewing platform at Memorial Field, causing homeplate to become flooded in the event of torrential rain. DP suggested a new catch basin is needed. Lastly, AL said she has already been asked when the fields would be open for spring, and that she was going to wait until April vacation to make the call. DP asked if there were any field requests for Memorial; AL said only from Legion and NYBA. DP also mentioned to AL that he is available to help with the summer Rec Basketball program, if needed.

**6:20pm—DPW Report.** No report available, Scott Charpentier was not present.

**6:21pm—New Business.** The next Parks and Rec Commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 9.

**6:22pm—Motion to Adjourn.** DP made a motion to adjourn, FS seconded, all in favor.