

TOWN OF WAYLAND – RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Recreation Field Advisory Group Meeting Minutes

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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2017 AT 7:00PM

Wayland Town Building | 41 Cochituate Road | Wayland MA 01778

Held in Council on Aging Room, videotaped and broadcast by [WayCAM](#)

Present	Asa Foster, Chair; Frank Krasin; Heidi Seaborg; Chris Fay; Brud Wright Recreation: Katherine Brenna
Absent	None.
Field Advisory Group Members	Chris Maietta (WWRA), Reed Newton (Chair, WAYS) Alexia Obar, Nancy Peter (Boosters), Bill Cossart (Boosters), Karen Munroe (WLAX)

7:00 PM MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Reed Newton called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

7:00 PM PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

7:05 PM APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Reed Newton tabled the approval of the June 12 minutes until next meeting.

7:10 PM DISCUSSION:

- Post the Monday 9/25 meeting in Community News; Web; Loker Initiative
- Reed – can you limit Public Comment at Loker Meeting; lighting, infills. Heat risk.
- Bill Cossart Crumb rubber should be a dead issue, and appalled BOH made decision on a USA Today article; asked them to retract their decision.
- Brud - serious open meeting law violation to make a ruling, vote when the public hasn't been properly noticed. Only 3 BOH members, some not present, maybe it would have been a different vote.– agrees they should be challenged on the decision.
- Bill Cossart – safer than soil, so what is their agenda? The heat thing is a non-issue.
- Asa- crumb rubber has been around for 20 years and we still don't know the long term effects, coconut is even younger, less research.
- Chris Fay – ask Weston & Sampson going to present plans with expansion opportunities at Loker. Riverview and Art King only fields that Baseball has; some people feel its short sighted.
- Asa – one of the purposes of putting turf at Loker, if HSMP approved, that field will serve as the secondary site while HS is offline. I'd ask Weston & Sampson on Monday night.
- WHS fields will be in disrepair after this season, just for taking TB Field offline.
- Oxbow won't be until the Spring of 2019
- Asa- if Loker and WHS done, in the future, we'd have two usable turf fields.
- Brud – TB field comes offline, and everyone feels the squeeze. There may always be one field offline.
- Frank – most people don't know that the fields are in terrible shape.

7:20 PM TOWN ARTICLES:

Articles #9, 10, 11, we are 11 – get a timeline. 2/3 vote, CPC is 50/50. I f9 is stadium, need 2/3 (some money from turf account, some from tax payers it has to be 2/3) Library is also at TM. CPC will cover swapping of tennis and softball, but not stadium and turf.

Fay – needs stories, WHS track athletes, can't even practice at home.

Flyers made up and handed out. Email list. Get coaches to spread the word. Produce reports that support overuse.

Chris Maietta -- update on DCR to renovate the state ramp (project could be 3 months)

7:52 PM UPDATE FROM REC DEPT

Town Building – renovation on schedule, plan for it to be offline in Spring 2018
DPW Needs – user group to clean up after itself; send your schedules so DPW can prep the fields,
Concerns about illegal parking at MS
New playability policy – if WHS cancels due to field conditions; school fields are closed to all other groups
Spring 2018 field requests are due by Feb 1

Asa - Oxbow currently being held up because we are being sued, and there's an appeal. Appeal of Zoning Board, there is no building permit needed for field or the parking lot. Second Suit, the Land Court. (sometime in November) But October 10, they determine whether or not they'll hear the case. BOS and TA will make a determination to move forward. Also, see whom the contact would be awarded, because of a 30 day time constraint.

08:12 PM NEXT MEETING DATES & AGENDA TOPICS

Loker Rec meeting Mon 9/25
Town Meeting Tues Nov 14
Next Field Adv. Group Meeting Mon Nov 6

08:12 PM PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

08:26 PM TOPICS NOT REASONABLY ANTICIPATED BY CHAIR 48 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF MEETING

None.

8:25 PM MEETING ADJOURNED

Adjourn; There being no further business before the Field Advisory Group – Reed Newton moved to adjourn, seconded by Nancy Peter, to adjourn the meeting at 8:25pm; Discussion: None; Vote: 6-0-0.
