

Minutes

Deerfield School Field Redevelopment Subcommittee Meeting 12/3/2014

Meeting called to order at 5:10 pm in the Champagne meeting room.

Subcommittee members in attendance: Nicole Banks, Dave Reilly, Mike Griffin, Jan Parr, Ken Aries.
Absent: Joyce Cannon, Todd Korchin, Brendan Ryan

Minutes: After review, Ken motioned to approve the Minutes of November 12 meeting, motion was seconded by Dave and unanimously approved.

Warrant article approved by Town Meeting - Nicole reported that during the special town meeting on November 17th, the warrant article for funds in the amount of \$55,000 was approved. These funds will cover design and oversight for the Deerfield field project.

Design plan discussion – The subcommittee discussed several field design options which include 2 or 3 softball fields. The feedback from Youth Softball is that optimally they would like the design to include three softball diamonds as is currently the set-up. The subcommittee is balancing that preference with the potential to include a larger soccer field within the design, allowing more use at the fields. Mike reports that he will attend a Youth Softball meeting on December 8th to learn more about the numbers and use currently. The subcommittee has asked that data be provided by Youth Softball to assist in determining the field use and needs.

Also need to have the adjacent wetlands flagged to determine any constraints on layouts due to proximity to wetland. Nicole is to contact Conservation Commission regarding flagging.

Ken raised several school related concerns including the need to maintain current location of the storage container which houses landscaping equipment. It is located just on the edge of the field and driveway behind the school. Also, there is a grass area across from the container directly adjacent to the school which could be used for additional parking spaces. The school is considering temporary fencing for a section of the school's front lawn area which could serve as the interim recess/gym space during the project.

Recreation staff will compile a list of items for inclusion on project scope. Ken Aries will compile a list of school items to be included. These lists will be reviewed at the next subcommittee meeting.

Next meeting: Jan 7th at 5:00 pm in the Champagne Meeting Room.

Adjourned: Meeting adjourned at 6:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Jan Parr