TOWN OF WEYMOUTH RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING 20 June 2012 MINUTES

Members Present: Colleen Kelley, Janelle Quinn, Karen Johnston, Steve Reilly, Art Del Rosso, Mike Doyle

Also Present: Mike Gallagher

- 1.) Legion Field Committee, led by Steve Bergfors. They formed to raise funds for Legion Field. Are they still functioning? They were planning to become a nonprofit. Find out.
- 2.) Field Feasibility Study: contract will be signed within the next week and the study is scheduled to be complete by the end of August.
- 3.) Open Space and Recreation Plan still not complete
- 4.) Rec Com needs a yearly fund raising campaign. Funds will be used to upgrade parks. A phased plan over 5 years should be developed.
- 5.) Park Awareness: the residents need to know what is happening with the parks and rec facilities. Perhaps there should be a rededication of the parks once upgrades are complete. There needs to be a game plan and all residents should be aware of that game plan.
- 6.) List all parks with potential projects for Eagle Scout projects and community service. Just about every park has projects suitable for Eagle projects and community service work. Those projects need to be made public.
- 7.) Mike Gallagher suggested a Rec Com web page. He will set one up on the Town site. Rec Com will provide the content.
- 8.) Webb (Summit Street) and Newell Park in Idlewell has had work completed last year and this year. The playgrounds have been upgraded with new equipment. Funding from Newell from the block grants and Webb Park funding was from the MWRA(?).
- 9.) Field Trip to take a look at the parks in Town. Schedule for Wednesday 13 June 2012. Leave Teen Center at 4:15 PM. Mike Doyle will provide the van.
- 10.) Brad Hawes Park neighbors worked in that park last year along with Scouts and an Eagle Scout project was born. The bleacher seats were replaced, the bleacher structure was painted and brush was cleared. (Art will find out exactly what was completed in the park)
- 11.) The high school might be a resource. The Career and Tech programs may be able to supply some work such as carpentry, art work, etc. It might be a good idea to schedule a meeting with the Career and Tech Director and discuss how the school and Rec Com can work together. Perhaps they can build signs for the park, benches, picnic tables, etc. Wood picnic tables might not be a good option because there is no place for the Town to store them during the winter. There is a new Career and Tech Director who seems to be very open to different things. Janelle will make an appointment with the Director and she

and Art will meet with him and find out what the capabilities of Career and Tech are and how we can work together. This association could create an industry for the school.

- 12.) We need a Mission Statement.
- 13. Next meeting will be the Field Trip on 13 June and then 11 July 2012 at 7:00 PM at the Teen Center.