

**PLAYING FIELDS TASK FORCE**

**MINUTES**

**April 12, 2019**

**7:45 am at Warren Building**

**Attending:**

Paul Cramer – Recreation, Martha Collins – Resident, Ann Williams – Little League, Sandy Joseph – Resident, Jerry Nigro – Lacrosse, Katie Griffith – NRC, Jeff Wechsler – DPW, Dave Hickey – DPW, Ansley Martin – WUSC, Mary Scanlon – Advisory, Michael Quinn – DPW, John Brown – Schools, Lance LaFave – WYF, Peter Warren – Resident, Andrew Warren – Resident, Rick Kinney – WLL, Michael D’Ortenzio Jr. - School Committee (Chair)

**Motion:** To accept the minutes from 03/08/2019 by Ansley Martin

**Seconded:** Jerry Nigro

**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor.

3. **Diane P. Warren – Renaming of Multi-Purpose Field:** Discussion around the renaming of Hunnewell Field #2 after Diane P. Warren. Diane’s sons, Peter and Andrew, were present to support the renaming. Sandy Joseph mentioned that at a recent celebration of Wellesley women past, present, and future there was great support for the renaming, as well. Additionally, the NRC and John Brown expressed their support. It was noted that this would ultimately have to be approved at Town Meeting.

**Motion:** To rename Hunnewell Field #2 after Diane P. Warren by Jerry Nigro

**Seconded:** Lance LaFave

**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor.

4. **PFTF Charter and Field Use Policy:** Has been approved by the responsible boards and is now in effect. Will be posted to website.

5. **Field Applications:** Discussion around each individual application occurred, relating to fields’ schedules, ability to handle additional use, and the specifics of applicants’ requests:

**Motion:** To approve application #1-#3 with amendments to #2 by Ansley Martin

**Seconded:** Jeff Wechsler

**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor

**Motion:** To approve application #4 with amendments by Lance LaFave

**Seconded:** Paul Cramer

**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor

**Motion:** To approve application #5 by Ansley Martin

**Seconded:** Jerry Nigro

**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor

**Motion:** To approve application #6 by Ansley Martin

**Seconded:** Katie Griffith

**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor

**Motion:** To approve application #7 with amendments by Ansley Martin  
**Seconded:** Jeff Wechsler  
**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor

**Motion:** To deny application #8 by Paul Cramer  
**Seconded:** Jerry Nigro  
**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor

**Motion:** To approve application #9 by Ansley Martin  
**Seconded:** Jerry Nigro  
**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor

6. **Revolving Fund Bylaw:** Has been approved by Town Meeting; awaiting approval by the Attorney General. Thanks to everyone for their support.
7. **AED Discussion:** Lots of discussion around details and legal liabilities. The Task Force recognized that this needed special attention and tabled it to May. Michael, Tripp, and Matt will discuss potential next steps and return then.
8. **Sprague/Hunnewell Fields Trainer Discussion:** Table to May due to time.
9. **Special Event Requirements – Approve Application:** Highlighted document provided.

**Motion:** To approve the document as presented and delegate amending specific language in the document on page #2 to Michael and Matt by Jerry Nigro  
**Seconded:** Paul Cramer  
**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor

10. **Lights on Playing Fields:** The PFTF is set to work towards a timeline to get the project started. Discussion centered on the best way to proceed; Michael, Tripp, and Matt will brainstorm a potential structure for the May meeting.
11. **Project Prioritization List:** Table due to time; consensus that lights would be near top/at top of list.
12. **Stadium Restroom and Team Room Project:** An RFP is going out to complete the team rooms. According to DPW, there should be a draft by the end of the month. No movement on the restrooms.
13. **Practice Wall Project:** Handouts provided by DPW. Discussion ensued over the location of the wall, with the PFTF continuing to prefer the area behind the Field House. The group does not view alternative locations at Sprague as viable.
14. **Hunnewell Field Restrooms:** Project should be started in the fall. Preparations should be made now. More updates will be provided at future meetings.
15. **Softball Project:** Approved at Town Meeting; thanks to all involved. Please support the fundraising efforts.

**16. Wellesley Baseball, Softball, and Soccer Schedule Conflicts:** Better communication is needed moving forward. Issue resolved for this spring, but should be revisited to ensure does not happen again in future seasons.

**17. General Fields Discussion:** Great job DPW and Park & Tree Division for post-winter months field preparation. The fields are in great condition.

**18. Citizens Speak:** None.

**Motion:** To adjourn by Ansley Martin  
**Seconded:** Katie Griffith  
**Vote:** All Task Force members in attendance in favor

Meeting adjourned at approximately 9:45 am.

**NEXT MEETING:** May 10th – 7:45 am at the Warren Building.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brandon Fitts, CTRS, CPRP

**Documents and Exhibits Used:**

- Field Application #1**
- Field Application #2**
- Field Application #3**
- Field Application #4**
- Field Application #5**
- Field Application #6**
- Field Application #7**
- Field Application #8**
- Field Application #9**
- Naming Proposal Diane P. Warren**
- Draft Special Permit Application**
- AE**