

TOWN OF WAYLAND – RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

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Wednesday, March 14 2018 AT 6:00 PM

Wayland Town Building | 41 Cochituate Road | Wayland MA 01778

Council on Aging Room; broadcast on [WayCam](#).

Present Commissioners: Asa Foster, Chair; Frank Krasin; Heidi Seaborg; Brud Wright
Recreation: Katherine Brenna,
Absent Chris Fay
Guests Gene Bollinger, Mike Moonan, Marie Rudiman – Weston & Sampson.

7:01 PM MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Asa Foster called the meeting to order at 7:01pm.

7:02 PM PUBLIC FORUM ON TURF

See attached slides; Attend presentation by Weston and Sampson of synthetic turf field systems and natural turf field systems including the characteristics and merits of each.

<http://waylandrec.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/03.14.18-Synth-v-Natural-Presentation.pdf>

8:00 PM PUBLIC COMMENTS & QUESTIONS:

Bill Cossart, Old Sudbury Rd – Spring sports start this week, fields are not ready, we have one piece of turf that all 9+ WHS team and all youth teams have to share. October 30 SC meeting, SC voted on turf, what are they voting on tonight? Unclear how they voted 5-0-0 in favor of synthetic fields. October 30 SC voted unanimously to use synthetic turf in design of WHS fields. Jeanne Downs explains first vote was they were supportive of turf systems, and the upcoming vote was to decide to use turf/or not for this particular project.

Carole Plumb – considering worst case scenarios, drought/floods....asks question about elevation of field. How much wind does it take to blow crumb rubber around? Wear life of particles? Worried about environmental impacts and climate change impacts. How do you catch the crumb rubber.

Gene Bollinger, crumb rubber doesn't have a tendency to migrate, and can mitigate with grading, tack, etc. Wear life that's the same as the carpet. Existing turf was defective fiber, details of the materials will be vetted through the Final Design phase. Not before ATM? Only one more PMBC meeting. Others: No there are two.

Gene Bollinger: normal part of the design process to determine the technical design details through this process, ahead of ATM. Will have a solid concept and design for ATM, a lot more than most communities have to review before a vote.

Resident: Are there any differences between the crumb rubber used ten years ago, to what they use now?

Mike Moonan: Yes

Resident: 2 questions – First is procedural – when is the more detailed information available? And the Process for choosing materials? Gene Bollinger: An ongoing conversation with designers, School Committee, Rec Commission, PMBC, Conservation, BOH has an interest, continue to monitor the performance of alternative infills. Will continue to look at the options through Town Meeting.

What's projection of the replacement and cost? Can we switch infills later?

Mike Moonan – some require a shock pad, you'd have to choose infill with similar requirements. Potentially \$500k to replace materials.

Resident: Can you put the shock pad in now? Mike: Yes, we can look at that, some communities are doing that.

Alexia Obar, Dean Rd – Weston just put in crumb rubber?

Mike Moonan: Yes, Weston used crumb rubber. Marlborough also explored three different infills and ultimately chose crumb rubber. UMass Lowell, two fields with crumb fields. Some communities choose walnut shells.

Any option to provide an extra layer to prevent Stormwater issues?

Mike Moonan – we do have a Stormwater expert on the design.

Marie Rudiman – discusses zinc impact, but no significant risks from other metals.

Brud, Rec Commission – you got toxicology regarding the other infills, is there any reason we can't share it with the BOH

8:29 PM MEETING ADJOURNED

Adjourn; There being no further business before the Recreation Commission Frank Krasin moved, seconded by Brud Wright, to adjourn the meeting of the Recreation Commission; Discussion: None; Vote: 4-0-0.