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Park and Recreation Commission

Minutes

(meeting taped)

Monthly meeting: Monday, September 13, 2004 in the Aldermanic Chambers of City Hall.

Meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

By roll call, members present: John Walsh, David Mikos, Karen Izzo and Al Felice. Beverly Moran, Mat

Parks and Recreation Director Dennis O'Connell and Athletic Director Joseph Orazetti were present.

additions or deletions to the agenda:

Without objection, the agenda was accepted as written.

approval of minutes:

A motion was made by Al Felice and second by Karen Izzo. Move to accept the minutes of the meeting c

Public portion:

No one came forward and public portion was closed.

Correspondences:

Nothing was presented.

NEW or OTHER BUSINESS:

A.) <u>Temporary repairs to Little League field</u>: Kenneth Marcucio of 38 Chatfield Street, Gary Haydu of 10 Commission on the behalf of the Derby Little League Board of Directors. Mr. Marcucio was encouraged He understood that the current discussions are for two fields to start, noting the eventual need for three fields.

Mr. Haydu noted that new fields will take time and there are current needs. The current state of the major infield and outfield grass areas. This play hazard has been built up from years of improper preparation proutline making it inconsistent with Little League guidelines. The skin areas are subject to washout in the maintenance challenging. The backstop and dugout fencing is falling apart and will be in need of attentio

The Board of Directors discussed the current conditions of the existing fields and the ongoing discussion. They reviewed their budget and funds being saved for a new batting cage could be used for these temporasafety concerns and providing for a transitional period until new fields are built.

	Action	Responsibility	Complete	
Outfield	Connect to water supply			
	Aerate field	Father's Club	Oct 04	
	Post- emergent crabgrass treatment	Father's Club	Oct 04	
	Fill/split seed turf grass	Father's Club	Oct 04	
	Pre- emergent crab grass	Father's Club	Mar 05	

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Infield	Level infield skin area	
	Remove all extra material	
	Add quality clay material	
	Roto-till all skin area	
	Roll all skin area	
	Fill/seed all worn areas	
	Re-sod infield, outfield, base paths	
	Rebuild pitchers mound	
	Re-cut mound	
	Install rubber	
	Detail base coach boxes	
	Detail/install home plate	
	Install bases	

Tools	36" infield rakes (2)	L
	Tamp	L
	Drag broom	
	Small drag mat	
	Install backstop screen	

The options for the water connection would be to The water would be used to water the sod once in discuss the connection with the High School. It w tank may be the better option.

The League will also look at various fundraising

Members questioned whether this work would be Alderman Neighborhood Committee for discussion

A motion was made by Al Felice and second by I actions involving the Major League outfield, inficonsiderations as detailed on the initiative. Motio

- B.) <u>Update on Public Works reorganization:</u> The available.
- C.) <u>Update on Neighborhood Committee request</u> no further discussions as of this time. The Comm
- D.) Parking issues on Nutmeg Avenue by the Litt meeting.

Mr. Felice noted that last year the Commission do suggested that these rules should be in place again

Committee Reports:

Finance Committee – Members received a breal the year.

Programs Committee – The Committee has not The Little League, Pop Warner and Soccer are go how to create a database of information. Ms. Izzo gathered, maintained and secured for confidential

As the Little League, Pop Warner and Soccer are level of the City's liability should be explored wi Corporation Counsel. The record keeping will be this added demand. This matter was tabled until f leagues.

Facilities Committee –The soccer fields at Witel They have been working on finishing the road an the original clearing.

Chairman Walsh indicated that bids were to go o

The Commodore Hull Road Race is scheduled fo

The skateboard park was to be constructed by Shworking out the details. The Derby Board of Alde

Ms. Izzo indicated that she has received calls on a asked if the Fire Marshall has completed his reviewand the need for a separate storage/equipment but project moving forward. He also noted the downs consideration should be given to transferring the users.

DIRECTOR REPORTS:

Parks & Recreation Director's Report: Mr. O'

Mr. O'Connell stated that there is a full-time cust provided to him but currently there is no clear sup Public Works, he will fall under their jurisdiction use of the facilities as they are cleaned at the start

review of the entire building. Regarding the down schedule has been very busy and he has yet to ret

Mr. O'Connell noted the new speakers at the foot

Athletic Director's Report: Mr. Orazetti arrived

The members and the directors discussed the parl agreed that they should continue. It was suggeste program, three (3) for the Booster Club and (3) for School and the Athletic Director will oversee the Library's hours of operation, most specifically during the second control of the parl agreed that they are they are the parl agreed that they are the are they are the are the they are they are they are they are they are they are the are they are they are they are they are they are they are the ar

Mr. Orazetti presented a proposal for the Ryan fic Rick Capaslotrato. After looking at the field Mr. aerated to encourage deep root growth and dragge should then be applied and heavily watered. To p and tilled from hash mark to hash mark and Cana hold up better to the 58+ games on the field. He v Mr. O'Connell indicated that this cost is not in the Taxation.

Mr. Felice noted that soccer should be playing at policy that games cannot be played after school a continue on the football field. Chairman Walsh ir including fields during the building construction.

Continuing on the discussion of the proposal, me whether material such as fertilizer was available to for turf management, maybe their new expertise of go out to bid because of the cost. It was decided to A portion of the Ryan Field capital funds may be proposal to the attention of the Neighborhood Co

Members mentioned that the bleachers needed to brought to the Public Works attention. There is a at the picnic grove.

A motion was made by Karen Izzo and second by

The next Parks & Recreation Commission meetir Chambers are unavailable then the Veteran's room

Respectfully prepared, Karen Kemmesies, secretary
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