

- 41 (2) Fall 2008 = 279 (the largest fall program in the district,
42 comprising 13 leagues in the towns of Weston, Wilton,
43 Stamford, Norwalk, Ridgefield and Darien.
- 44 (3) Summer 2009 = 75 travel (approximately 40% of those
45 eligible); plus “sandlot” program
- 46 (4) Program enrollment has grown for five consecutive years.
- 47 iii) Mr. Clevenger commented on the importance of high quality
48 playing surfaces, the impact of concentrated play and erosion on
49 specific areas (pitcher’s mound, base paths and home plate),
50 and offered to assist the Commission in developing a multiyear
51 plan to renovate and maintain the ball fields at Bisceglie –
52 Scribner Park. The Commission members present thanked Mr.
53 Clevenger for his offer and recommended he be included in the
54 field inspection by Dr. Dest to be scheduled in August .
- 55 iv) Lastly, Mr. Clevenger commented on the improvements made
56 by WLL to the ball fields at Bisceglie – Scribner Park and
57 potential future improvements. Mr. Clevenger commented on
58 the need for additional fund raising, including potential field
59 advertising. (Please note: on July 14, Mr. Ungar provided WLL
60 with the Commission resolution dated August 8, 2005 regarding
61 permitted activities on facilities under the jurisdiction of the
62 Commission.)
- 63 b) Weston Lacrosse Club (WLC), Andy Montelli board member of the
64 club provided the Commission with:
- 65 i) The following information regarding the program:
- 66 (1) This is the 10th season for the WLC
- 67 (2) This is the 7th season of lacrosse at Weston High School
- 68 (3) Youth enrollment is at its highest level with 170
69 participating player, 65 players at the high school level
- 70 (4) 12 Weston graduates are playing lacrosse at the college
71 level
- 72 (5) Lacrosse is offered during three seasons (fall, spring and
73 summer)
- 74 (6) The summer session is an important recruiting season for
75 colleges and universities. Several Weston lacrosse high
76 school level players participate in the Nutmeg Lacrosse
77 program. The program is led by former Yale University
78 coaches and is headquartered in Southington, CT. The
79 traveling distance to practices and games has proven to be a
80 burden for some of the Weston families which participate in
81 the Nutmeg program.\

- 82 ii) Mr. Montelli requested the Commission consider renting
83 Varsity turf field time to the Nutmeg Lacrosse program. The
84 benefits include: reduced travel burden on Weston families;
85 rental income for unused field time; and increased awareness of
86 the summer program for other Weston lacrosse players. The
87 specific dates requested were: Thursday, July 23, July 30 and
88 August 6 form 7 – 9 p.m.
- 89 iii) After discussion by the Commission. Mr. Bernstein resolved
90 the Commission endorse the rental of the Varsity turf to
91 Nutmeg Lacrosse, consistent with the Board of Selectmen’s
92 endorsement of such programs earlier in the year, provided that
93 Nutmeg Lacrosse provides all necessary documentation and
94 insurance coverage, pay an appropriate rental fee and arrange
95 mutually agreeable times with Director Ungar. The motion was
96 seconded by Mr. Uzenoff. Voting was a follows. For: Babyak,
97 Bernstein, Mello and Uzenoff. Opposed: None. Absent:
98 Butlein and Juneau
- 99 3) Unfinished Business
- 100 a) Action item follow-up.
- 101 i) 2009-12 Mr. Ungar indicated the Weston Parks and Recreation
102 Commission Annual Report 2008 had been issued. (Please
103 note: on July 14, Mr. Ungar forwarded a copy of the Annual
104 Report to the commissioners)
- 105 ii) 2009 -13 Mr. Ungar provided the Commission with a Programs
106 Comparison Report 2005 -2009. Discussion followed.
- 107 b) Other Unfinished Business. None.
- 108 4) Reports of standing committees and resulting motions:
- 109 a) Administrative Committee.
- 110 i) The WPRC August meeting will be held at Morehouse Farm
111 Park at 7:30p.m.
- 112 b) Aquatics Committee (Mr. Mello). Mr. Ungar reported that the
113 Bisceglie – Scribner Pond had opened on time; however, due to
114 inclement weather attendance has been lower than expected. Mr.
115 Ungar will provide an overview of the Pond’s usage by Weston
116 families at the Commission’s September meeting.
- 117 c) Fields Committee (Messrs. Juneau, Bernstein).
- 118 i) Dr. Dest will be retained to perform an examination and report
119 on the condition of the playing fields under the Commission’s
120 jurisdiction. Consistent with last year, this examination is
121 anticipated to take place in the month of August.

- 122 ii) Director Ungar indicated MFP #1 will be closed this fall in
123 order to rest that field. Play normally scheduled on MFP #1
124 will be rotated to MFP # 4 and MFP #5.
- 125 d) Programs Committee (Mrs. Babyak and Mr. Butlein). See action
126 item follow-up item 2009-13, above.
- 127 e) Parks Committee (Mr. Bernstein). No Report
- 128 5) New Business
- 129 a) Weston Little League – see Public Forum above.
- 130 b) Weston Lacrosse Club – see Public Forum above.
- 131 c) 4th of July Celebration recap:
- 132 i) Approximately 3,000 persons attended
- 133 ii) Overall successful
- 134 iii) Operated at a net deficit of approximately \$3,500 (revenue:
135 \$22,500 and expenditures: \$26,000), which is consistent with
136 prior years and expectations.
- 137 iv) Included in iii), Fairfield County Bank provided \$12,500 to
138 underwrite the event.
- 139 6) Correspondence. None
- 140 7) Announcements, remarks for the good of the order. None
- 141 8) The commission adjourned at 9:25 p.m.
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- 143 Respectfully Submitted,
- 144 Carlos Mello

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ACTION ITEMS

2009-09	Opened June 8, 2009. Mr. Juneau will ask Pat Kane's widow, Carol for her thoughts on a suitable memorial for Pat.
2009-10	Mr. Ungar will ask Building Inspector Rack Gleason (or the proper authority if not Mr. Gleason) about lightening protection needs of the new tower and picnic pavilion near the pond at BSP.
2009-11	Mr. Ungar will check on the cost of the approved porcelain-on-metal version of the history sign at MFP.
2009-12	Mr. Ungar will complete the 2008 annual report. <u>Completed and closed July 13, 2009.</u>
2009-13	Mr. Ungar will update and distribute Programs spreadsheet before the July regular meeting. <u>Completed and closed July 13, 2009.</u>
2009-14	Mr. Ungar will retain Dr. Dest to perform and examination and report on the playing fields under the jurisdiction of the Commission.

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