

**PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
TOWN OF NEEDHAM, MASSACHUSETTS**

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

**November 25, 2011**

*Background notes for Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup>  
Park and Recreation Commission Agenda*

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**FINAL MOVE**

The Building Department, Public Facilities Department, and DPW began their move into PSAB on Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup> and have been settling into their new offices this week. It will take a little while for everyone to adjust, but overall, the first week has been a success!

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**DRAFT FIELD SCHEDULING POLICY**

The draft policy was sent to all major user groups with an invitation to attend the Commission's meeting on Monday night to provide input. The option to submit comments or questions in writing was also given, but as of today, nothing has been submitted.

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**SENIOR CENTER RE-ACCREDITATION**

Over the past year, the Senior Center has been going through their re-accreditation process. Needham's Senior Center was the first to become nationally accredited in Massachusetts, and this is their second time going through re-accreditation. Both Assistant Director Karen Peirce and I served on subcommittees, and will be attending a meeting in the near future with the review panel. The Council on Aging is excited that they will be able to present plans for the new Senior Center!

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**FENCING**

The fence at Cricket has been replaced and is a huge improvement! Earlier this week, Mills fencing project is underway. They are waiting for some fencing supplies for the backstop.

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**WALKER-GORDON**

The engineers hired to assist us with some of the project details have prepared a submission for the Conservation Commission to permit the areas that fall under their permitting jurisdiction. Most of the project on Walker-Gordon and the added property from 174 Charles River Street is outside of the jurisdiction, but there are small sections along the pond, and over in the parking lot. Most of the areas being discussed are previously disturbed land. I will let the Commission know when the hearing is scheduled.

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