

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

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

June 22, 2018

*Background notes for Monday, June 25, 2018
Park and Recreation Commission Agenda*

UPCOMING COMMISSION MEETING DATES

Monday, July 9

Monday, July 23

Monday, August 13

Monday, August 27

Conflict – Monday, September 10 is first day of Rosh Hashanah

Monday, September 24

WATER BUBBLERS

The Town tests the water for lead and copper in bubblers at schools, municipal buildings and parks. Most parks are done every other year. DeFazio Park and Memorial Park were tested in early June and results came back with no concerns. Both of these bubblers were replaced with bubbler/bottle fillers in 2017. The Building Maintenance Department is still in the process of replacing some of the older water bubblers at parks.

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECTS

We have three potential Eagle Scout projects under discussion. One is to stain the edging on the new boardwalks at the Needham Accessible Reservoir Trail, along with some other small projects. The second is to possibly build some summer racks for the canoes/kayaks at Rosemary, so we can lock them up near the lake and not have to go up and down to the building. The third is a possible footbridge in the Town Forest.

NEEDHAM ACCESSIBLE RESERVOIR TRAIL

The signs have been installed, and corrections from winter wear have been made. The work area has been restored and seeded, with additional trees planted (and more to come in the near future). The final section of parking lot paving is coming up, and the lot will be restriped accordingly. Just a few final punch list items remain, and then time to plan the celebration.

NEEDHAM CULTURAL COUNCIL

I met with a representative of the Needham Cultural Council who are looking to implement art throughout the Town. They may join us at the celebration of the Needham Accessible Reservoir Trail, and are willing to assist with any celebration(s) planned for Rosemary Recreation Complex. They may also propose an artistic “wrap” for the electrical box in the RRC parking lot. We will also talk about assistance in funding some creative opportunities at RRC.
