

Old Orchard Beach Ballpark Commission

Meeting Minutes – March 12, 2012

I. Call to order

Vice Chair Graves called this regular meeting of the Old Orchard Beach Ballpark Commission on March 12th, 2012 at the Old Orchard Beach Police Department in the Community Room.

II. Presentation From Nick Bloom

Vice Chair Graves introduced Nick Bloom to discuss possible concerts and other avenues of revenue. He needs to go first as he has another commitment. Lucien made a motion to allow Mr. Bloom to speak right away. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fish. Ms. DeRice said she spoke with Mr. Bloom several months ago and went over the parameters with him of what possible types of music acts / events would be palatable. Mr. Bloom thinks he has a partner that is ready and willing to jump in and work as promoter. We will have to look into what a partnership/rental arrangement would look like. We need to know the size of the audience, where to put them so it doesn't negatively impact the park, expectation size, etc. which will give us hard costs as far as production costs go. They can look at those numbers and what that requires for staffing, etc. As the promoter they need to pay for sound, lights, staging, artist fees, hospitality, transportation, etc. Talked about OOB as a municipality and ballpark as the promoter possibly, but that won't really work. Now they will look at the ballpark as a venue available for rent. They need to know what does that cost, what do we want from the event as far as remuneration, and what can we count on from the facility. Once we talk about that we can explore talent and possible dates. Vice Chair Graves said we would probably like to keep the concessions. The gate is negotiable and we know how much it costs for grounds/lighting. Mrs. Mailhot said that is something we would all have to talk about. Mr. Bloom said to talk about that and then they can determine whether it is financially feasible for them. Ms. DeRice said we want a proposal from someone saying this is who we want to bring and these are the proposed dates and then we can determine the fee. Mr. Gustin asked what types of acts / festivals do you have access to. Mr. Bloom said a huge range of artists and genres, from John Hiatt to Allison Kraus. We don't want to be underwhelming as that won't be a draw compared to the Portland waterfront and Bangor events. Do you want to do something that makes a statement, makes money and is appropriate for the town? Allison Krauss strikes him as a perfect fit but just for the talent it is about \$100k. If he had feedback from the town on what the costs are to a promoter, what the marketing relationships are in media, print, etc that support its events and can leverage that with media buys, they could count in their budget and calculate the numbers. Basically, he needs to know what the rental fee would be. Chair Furtado asked Mr. Bloom generally with a venue of this size what is a customary fee that you

would pay. We don't want to sell ourselves short but we don't know exactly what the starting point is. Mr. Bloom said it depends on what capacity you are looking at. If you say 2500 people or 5000 people or 10,000 people then you know what you need to make. The Civic Center is probably doing \$100k. Audience member Lappin asked about the seating capacity of the ballpark as of right now. Ms. DeRice said about 4200. Ms. DeRice asked Mr. Bloom what Merrill auditorium gets for a show. He answered \$6,000 for a commercial rental and \$3,750 for a non-profit rental. He further stated it would make sense for you to sit down with Andy Downs and talk to him about this as they have figured out their fee structure. He excused himself as he had to leave early. Nick asked Ms. DeRice to please contact him. Ms. DeRice said that if you and Buddy have a proposal you would like to put forth, please do that. If we can give you parameters of how many people, genres that are acceptable, will that work? Mr. Bloom said we need to know what the rental fee would be before we can do that. We need to know what our expenses will be to clean up the facility, etc. Mr. Bloom said once you know that we can work with hard numbers and generate a proposal. Mr. Gustin said maybe you can get back to Ms. DeRice and let her know what responsibilities the venue would be responsible for. Chair Furtado said it is hard for us to know exactly what we need to do because we don't have a basis for that. Mr. Bloom said he will start seeing what he can get for information from other venues but you should try to get with some other outdoor venues to get that information.

III. Roll Call

Lucien made a motion to move back to the agenda. It was seconded by Vice Chair Graves. All were in favor. The following commission members were present: Dana Furtado, Alan Graves, Lucien Huot, Mark Gustin, Linda Mailhot, and Alan Graves along with alternate Kristopher Fish. Also present was Jen DeRice, General Manager. The following audience members were present: Sheila Flathers, Paul Crossman, Al Lappin, Jerome Begert, Robert Reilly, Jim Doran and Brian.

IV. Acceptance of Minutes from February 12, 2012

Vice Chair Graves made a motion to accept the minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fish. Chair Furtado said that under item 9, Individual Commissioner Updates, there was a reference to Mrs. Dube was listed as Mrs. Dayton, and that should be changed. The vote was unanimous subject to that correction.

V. Ratification of Policies & Procedures

We had a discussion on the policies & procedures a couple of meetings back and Ms. DeRice said she had made necessary changes. Ms. DeRice passed around those revised policies & procedures. Mr. Gustin said he couldn't open it and made a motion to table the ratification to next meeting. Ms. DeRice said that we still need to put in some numbers but that she would like to move forward with

the policies & procedures. Alan seconded motion to table. Mr. Gustin rescinded his motion. Mr. Huot said the prices have not been set yet, correct? Ms. DeRice said that's right but it is still the same as last year. Mrs. Mailhot said she just wants to read through it some. Mrs. Mailhot had a question about the wording of 'pre-planned sales pitch'. Ms. DeRice said that it states it is up to the ballpark to use their discretion regarding any of this. Mr. Huot asked where it says that. Page 2, per Ms. DeRice. Mrs. Mailhot asked about the numbers and are we just going to come up with them later. Yes, per Mr. Fish but preferably sooner than later. Chair Furtado said do we want the marketing group to come up with those numbers? Ms. DeRice answered that they could. Mrs. Mailhot made a motion to approve policies & procedures with a change to number four about the pre-planned sales pitch and as long as those numbers are inserted by the next meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fish. It carried unanimously.

VI. Ratification of Raging Tide's Minor Contractual Changes

Ms. DeRice said she sent out the contract to everyone. The only change was with regards to parking – they can't charge for parking and we can't charge for parking during their games but we can during other events. Mr. Fish made a motion to approve the minor changes. It was seconded by Mr. Gustin to approve those changes.

VII. Committee Updates

Mrs. Mailhot said the marketing committee met and would like to do some fundraising events and a general fundraising campaign. Mrs. Mailhot asked if the nameplates that were sold last year were ever put on. No, per Ms. Derice, but Jack Turcotte's first order of business in retirement is to get a rivet gun and try to put those up. She further stated that one problem is that we don't have a complete list of all of the name plates that were sold. Audience member Flathers said that we started working on a list last year on the whole seating plan and the sections and numbering them. Audience member Flathers said she believes Dave Goyet had a list and started selling those initially and that she thinks Sharri MacDonald had a list also. Audience member Flathers said she would be glad to work with Ms. DeRice on trying to figure that out. Mr. Gustin asked if there was a record for who OOB365 sold to. Mrs. Mailhot said she was not aware that OOB365 sold any in any capacity but perhaps some members sold them individually outside of the group. Chair Furtado asked if any other committees met. Mr. Gustin said he couldn't remember who else wanted to be on it but we haven't met. He further stated that we did talk about some things that are needed. He showed a document to Ms. Derice and asked her if she had passed that around to the group. This is a list of things that we need before the next meeting to get started as we have games before the next meeting. Ms. DeRice said the first event is scheduled for April 7th. Then the SMAA and Cheverus events after that. Turfus and Clay are not on there. Audience member Lappin said we will need 3 palates of the turfus. Chair Furtado said he thought the team was paying for that. Mr. Gustin said they are paying for maintenance. Mr. Fish said that we need to get the field up to where

we want them to maintain it. Vice Chair Graves said that last year in May you spent \$960. That would be for one palate, per Mr. Fish. Audience member Flathers said I thought you bought extra. Audience member Lappin said that we ended up selling it. Chair Furtado said before we move forward, where is this material going to be stored? Is it going to be under lock and key? Mr. Gustin said it always was. Chair Furtado said if we turn the clubhouse with the materials stored in there over to the team, how do we know they aren't going to take our materials. Mr. Gustin said we need to decide how we are going to work with the team. We could do it and charge them or they could do it themselves. Later, grounds committee and personnel would sit down and work that arrangement out, per Ms. DeRice. Mr. Gustin said that he has a start up list. He stated that we skipped the field mix last year, and we desperately need to do it this year. The fertilizing is not even a real price. We need to get bids on that. We need to tell them what we want priced out – slicing, etc. Audience member Lappin said if the town doesn't buy a new machine the guy that did it last year is willing to do it for the same price this year. Mr. Gustin said the striping machine that we have is on its last leg, and that if we buy paint from a different manufacturer it won't work. I think we stay with the same brand striper. Audience member Lappin said if we can get the other company (Pioneer) and get a powered paint sprayer. Chair Furtado said he is not interested in hearing this because it's not even a possibility. Audience member Lappin said how much money did we spend on paint last year? If we can get Matt Tobin to sponsor that machine as part of an advertisement for a sign, 5 gallons of paint will probably take us through the year. Ms. DeRice said that he's not going to do that. Chair Furtado said I will let you use a 24ft ladder and if it breaks, it breaks. Audience member Doran said he thinks he has someone to make the wooden template and will let you know. Ms. DeRice asked if the wooden one was gone or can we use it to get started? Audience member Lappin said it is completely gone. Chair Furtado asked if the size was 4ft wide by 6ft long and further stated I can make that and save \$180. Ms. DeRice asked when he could have that done. Chair Furtado said tomorrow. Ms. DeRice said the largest chunk is fertilizing and mowing which is over the course of the season. Chair Furtado said I was under the impression that the team was going to be responsible for maintaining the field. Ms. DeRice said they will but we have to get it started and turn it over to them in great condition. They will pay to maintain it while they are playing but we are still mowing and fertilizing. Vice Chair Graves excused himself at 6:59PM. Chair Furtado said remember we had these charts on the board for what the costs were last year and the revenue. One of the things that I understood was that the only costs that we would have during those 2 months was the lights for events that we were putting on and what it cost us for our events during those 2 months. Both Ms. DeRice and audience member Flathers said I'm not sure why you thought that. We just won't be maintaining the field for 27 days. Mr. Huot said he was under the understanding that we had to give them the field in A1 shape and we would get it back from them in the same shape. Chair Furtado said the fee that they paid will cover these start-up costs and the lights. We can't make any on concessions because we don't get that now. The \$15k is going to get chewed up in lights and maintenance. We got

50% of the concessions profit last year. Ms. DeRice said that's why we are selling sponsorships and fundraising. Right now we need to figure out how we are going to get ready to get the field in shape. Mrs. Mailhot asked if we have any money in an account to purchase any of these things? Ms. DeRice said we have \$11,000. Audience member Flathers said did they not put \$25,000 in the budget again this year for the ballpark. Ms. DeRice said it is my understanding that they aren't using Jack's budget. She further stated that she is looking for the commission to approve what she suggests for salaries for this year before we put any money in that line. Mr. Gustin said we will remove the fertilizer and mowing, the ladder and home plate template. Mr. Fish said \$2260 was for the turfus based on 3 palates that you said. Audience member Lappin said paint was buy 5 get 1 free. He's not aware of any discount on turfus right now. Mr. Gustin asked how much the clay was. Mr. Lappin said it is \$18 a bag, and I think we used a palate last year. Mr. Gustin said could we start with 10 bags. Ms. DeRice said last year it was \$14.29 a bag x 40 bags and mound clay at \$26. Mr. Gustin said we are looking at about \$4300 in material to get started. Mr. Fish said 3 palates is only to start? Yes, per audience member Lappin. We need to put all of that down. A palate will be used for wash-outs. Projects to be done – turn water on, repair batting cages, seal seams on sky boxes on beach side, remove plywood from skyboxes, general policing of stands, parking lot, under the stands, scoreboard (he did this weekend), clubhouse needs to be cleaned and signage on the scoreboard. If we don't sell any sponsors at the beginning of the season, suggests we put some other signs that we already have up there so that it doesn't look blank. John Apte aerial advertising sign. 2 Requests were made last year – the sign wasn't done per request. We agreed last year that this sign would go up again this year as a good-faith gesture. These are just recommendations to get things started. Labor is needed to get these things done. Ms. DeRice said we talked about this weekend. Will that still work? Yes, per Mr. Gustin. We need some tools like wheel barrow, etc. to do some of these things. The old wheelbarrow is in the shed but it is lopsided and deformed. Ms. DeRice said if we are going to do this work I need purchase orders for vendors. Chair Furtado asked Mr. Fish for a concessions update. Mr. Fish said that he read that he was part of the concessions committee in the minutes. Mr. Fish asked Ms. DeRice if we have anything left from last year. Ms. DeRice asked if anyone got her schedule of needs for the different areas of the ballpark. Mr. Gustin asked if we need a motion to allow the expenditure of these items. Chair Furtado said this is not really the right spot for this. Ms. DeRice asked if we need a motion or is that just part of our normal procedure. Mrs. Mailhot made a motion to approve list of initial expenditures less fertilizer, the ladder, and the template. It was seconded by Mr. Fish. All were in favor.

VIII. Committee Updates

Chair Furtado asked for an update on the concessions. Mr. Fish said he just needs someone to get him up to speed and then he can work on it. Charlie put this list together. They are all needs but not priorities. Mr. Fish said we can probably get recycling bins from vendors. Mrs. Dube arrived at 7:17. Mr. Fish asked if during

the season and the off-days if the Tide was staffing concessions? Chair Furtado said we have no operations for concessions during the contract term. Ms. Mailhot said we can do outside vending. Mr. Fish asked what the team can use. Ms. DeRice said there are certain things that the team can use and certain things that we can remove and take out. We are leaving the coolers, stove, freezer, and refrigerator. We will remove & lock up the popcorn machine, blenders and grills. What happens if something breaks when they are using it? Ms. DeRice said they are responsible for maintaining it. Chair Furtado asked do we have anything before June 4th and what do we need for those early dates. Ms. DeRice said we have a single mop bucket for the entire facility that we use. Mr. Gustin said I would think we can spring for a separate mop bucket for the kitchen area. Ms. DeRice asked Mr. Fish if he was around tomorrow so she can take him down and run through it. Yes, per Mr. Fish. Chair Furtado said he hopes that anything that we purchase can make us money before the team takes over and then warehouse it until August or let the team use it. If we lose \$80 in French fries then we lose \$80 in French fries but we don't spend way more than that to make \$80 in French fries. Chair Furtado asked if there was an update for marketing. No update, per Mrs. Mailhot.

IX. General Manager Update

Ms. DeRice said that one thing Mr. Gustin mentioned was the cleaning of the clubhouse. There are animal feces and mold growing in there. It needs to be thoroughly cleaned so that when the team takes it over they have a precedent of giving it back to us. Chair Furtado asked if the plumbing fixtures are all off? Ms. DeRice said yes and the plumbing fixtures are going to be put back on for free by the plumber. Mrs. Dube said the plumber was supposed to get a sign in exchange for that work. Ms. DeRice said he needs to get us a sign, and we will put it up. Chair Furtado said that before the April event we need the plumbing fixtures on in order to clean. Audience member Brian said that's why I'm here. All of those plumbing fixtures need to be installed before the water district turns the water on. Audience member Begert asked before you get off the subject are you talking about hiring a professional cleaner once initially or as a course of routine maintenance. Mrs. Dube said just vacuum up the animal feces. Ms. DeRice asked do we want to hire a cleaning service. Mrs. Mailhot said we should find out how much its going to cost, and then we can decide via email. Reminder that we have \$5,000 from the futures league for ballpark improvements. We should use that for some equipment we need to buy such as field tarps, etc. Mr. Gustin asked when do we get that. Ms. DeRice said she will contact Chris as she's not sure. Audience member Lappin said one thing to look at is replacing the batting cage on the first base side. Hopefully, we get a full season out of the backstop net. It has been up the whole time and the UV deteriorates it. Mr. Gustin said we need to think about the twine. Chair Furtado asked if there were any conditions on that \$5,000. Ms. DeRice said it needs to be used for improvements. Mr. Gustin asked if it was maintenance & improvements. Chair Furtado said he thinks it is just improvements. Audience member Flathers said during their conversations they

said there were no restrictions at all. Saco & Biddeford Savings responded to Ms. DeRice regarding the sign. They responded that they would allocate \$1,000. She initially asked them about either web development sponsorship or the sign. Mr. Lauzier said that the bank has given a lot already and they know more requests will be coming. Mrs. Mailhot asked how long is the advertising commitment from the ballpark for the sign sponsorship. Chair Furtado said it was not appropriate to discuss that now. Ms. DeRice passed out something that was emailed out last week regarding salaries and said we need to think about what we want to do with this. Chair Furtado said minus the Raging Tide events last year, how much of the concessions salaries are part of this number? Ms. DeRice said she was not sure. There were 21 games. She is basing it on the number of games she knows we have this year. Last year there was either 1 or 2 paid people in the concessions stand including during some Tide games. Audience member Flathers said to Chair Furtado you can see from that spreadsheet how much money was made from those games. Chair Furtado said he knows that last year there were some volunteers that were upset that they were working with people who were paid and perhaps you won't be able to get the same number of volunteers. Perhaps we may have to go to an all volunteer staff or an all paid staff. What happens if the town doesn't give us the money for the staff? Ms. DeRice said if the town doesn't give us money then I don't know how we are going to operate. Chair Furtado said he isn't saying that they won't get any volunteers just that he knows that last year some people were upset. Thinks we should really focus on getting volunteers to filling the spots that we need. Mr. Fish agreed. If we get plenty of volunteers that number is fine, but if we don't get any volunteers then this number is way off. Ms. DeRice said she's not sure its possible to get a volunteer to manage the concessions knowing the number of hours that Charlie put in there last year. Vice Chair Graves said there no employees needed during the Raging Tide games, correct? Correct, per Ms. Derice. Vice Chair Graves said maybe its not worth opening the concessions stand. Mr. Huot said this town voted not to sell this facility & it should be funded properly to make it work. Vice Chair Graves said according to numbers last year you lost \$300 in May. Not everything came in the same month it was paid out, per Ms. DeRice. Mr. Fish said under head grounds person you have supervisor for raging tide games. Ms. DeRice said she wants to make sure that they maintain the field properly. Mr. Fish said he doesn't understand why we are paying someone to watch the Raging Tide people to make sure they are maintaining it properly. We are expecting to get it back in perfect shape. Audience member Begert said just have the team management/ownership watch you as you do it so they know what to do. Mr. Reilly said on the left hand side column of \$25,000, is that money all gone? Yes, per Ms. DeRice & Chair Furtado. Chair Furtado said last year Jack Turcotte was supposed to put another \$25,000 in the budget. From what he knows we have no operating money from now until July 1 as that second \$25k didn't get in the budget. It's a little confusing because the fiscal year is in the middle of the season. Audience member Lappin said last year they put in \$25,000, correct? Audience member Flathers said the 120 games are not Raging Tide games, correct? Legally, we have to have someone there for the entire game, per Ms.

DeRice. Chair Furtado asked why. Audience member Flathers said that's what Jack Turcotte told us in case there are any problems. Audience member Lappin said in case a gate falls down or something happens. Audience member Brian said are all of the events free until the Raging Tide games start? Whenever an event comes to the ballpark everyone comes with money, either field rental or concession revenue. Ms. DeRice said April will bring in approximately \$750. Audience member Brian said how much was paid out in staff. Ms. DeRice said the mens league is bringing in \$2,000. Audience member Jim Doran said we are paying \$4,000 before the season starts. Bringing in \$2250 but that's right now and we know it will go up a lot. Chair Furtado asked about the light bill. Seven night games are how much, \$2250? Then we need staff on site. Jen if you look at it like that, you can say the Tide is paying for the electric bill for the whole season. Then we have to pay someone to watch the tide games. Audience member Begert asked who is constructing and presenting the ballpark budget to the council during the budget process. The town manager, per Ms. DeRice. Audience member Begert said the new budget requirements per charter are done by line-item for incoming and outgoing. CMP is supposed to be coming up with \$300 a month for the smart meter lease. Mr. Huot said that money doesn't go to us. Mr. Gustin said he thinks that number is for the whole year. Audience member Flathers said would it help if we could get Catherine to do the budget for the line items for the group. Mr. Fish asked if tonight are you just looking for a number to present to the council for what we need as a budget amount. What we need to know is how much of this fiscal year's money that we have in the bank is going to be spend on these expenses. Mr. Fish said we need to pay people to work the concession stand. Ms. Derice said why do we have to go out and buy our own stuff like rates, and ladders when some other departments probably have some of these things that we can utilize. The concession staffing number is real low, per Mr. Fish and Chair Furtado. Ms. DeRice asked audience member Flathers do you think that 4-5 people in the concession stand is enough. Yes, it is. Vice Chair Graves said the numbers are scary. Last years numbers show scary numbers. Last year concessions was paid up front at the beginning and we only had a few events last year in May. We made \$5,800 in may, \$479 in June and then it stayed low. For the whole year you spent \$45,000 and took in \$43,000. There's no question that concessions is where its at, but we need to get a handle on it. Ms. DeRice said she agrees and thinks that the way things are going to be accounted for that it will be easier to know moving forward. Audience member Doran said that spending 20 minutes after a game fixing the field is hard to do with one person. Ms. DeRice said she has concerns that using the tarps that we use now there is one person lifting the tarps that we are using and they are too heavy. We need some new stuff. Mr. Fish said this head grounds person that is covering 40 games, they will be there alone without any other paid personnel. Correct, per Ms. DeRice. Just like with the concession manager, we need to know what is expected of them. Audience member Brian said the field crew only opens and closes the field for each game. Mr. Fish said who is there the rest of the time? We just said that someone has to be there for each event. Who is going to be there? We need to pay someone to be there if the head grounds person isn't going

to be there. Ms. DeRice said someone needs to be there whether it's me, the facilities manager, etc. to be there. Audience member Begert said Jen can be there as she is getting paid. Chair Furtado said what he's hearing is someone needs to be there for every event during the duration of the event. If it's not the general manager, the head grounds person then someone needs to be there. I don't see a number in these lines to deal with someone being paid to do that. Chair Furtado asked if we need two people there at all times. Mr. DeRice said no, but she is concerned about at night at the end of the night in the pitch black the tarps are so heavy that it could be too much for one person and someone could get hurt. It could be one at times and two at other times. Audience member Doran said you need one guy to come open and then hopefully that guy stays and helps the other guy close. Audience member Brian said that the head grounds guy shouldn't have any exact number of games listed. Because if one of those managers can't cover the games then you need to hire someone to cover it. Ms. DeRice said these numbers were just for our discussion as a starting point. Mrs. Dube said we need to expect to pay someone to cover all of these tasks and then hope that we get volunteers to take care of some of that. Audience member Flathers said on the field crew it shouldn't include the Raging Tide games. Audience member Begert said if you say that you need 3 grounds people make sure that you hire 3 grounds people because councilors will be attending games and wanting to know where that personnel is.

X. Individual Commissioner Updates

- A. Chair Furtado asked Mr. Huot if he had any updates – no.
- B. Chair Furtado asked Mrs. Dube if she had any updates. She said her fence guy doesn't do fences anymore.
- C. Chair Furtado asked Mr. Fish if he had any updates - no.
- D. Chair Furtado asked Mr. Gustin if he had any updates – no.
- E. Chair Furtado asked Vice Chair Graves if he had any updates. He said that he went over to the walkway meeting at 7 and thinks he has them convinced that northeast of the pond will work for the Eastern Trail. If they come out of that neighborhood somehow and come out of that pond and then peel off between the pond and the garden and head off that way. I told them I didn't think the commissioners would have any problem with that. Mr. Huot asked what kind of reception you got to that. Chair Furtado said he thinks another street is really needed for that. A second means of egress is necessary and if they are going to come up with money for a bike path perhaps it can be a little wider and it can be used for Dirigo Drive.
- F. Chair Furtado asked Mrs. Mailhot if she had any updates - no..

XI. Good & Welfare

Ms. DeRice asked if any volunteers would be available to help with the field this weekend. There are lots of different activities in town this weekend. Audience member Doran said he can help but has some shoulder issues. Audience member Flathers said she can help. Mr. Gustin said he will be around a little this weekend. Audience member Doran said he did mean what he said in that if you want the mens league to pay up front the \$4,000 he can get that and give that to us early. The schedule will be finalized April first but if you had April 22nd and 29th down, those are our first two weekends of games. Audience member Flathers gave an update on Linda Jenkins. She said hospice has come in and they brought the hospital bed today. Once she resigned her self to the fact and stopped chemo and radiation she is doing well. Her family is coming up. We don't know how long the process is going to take. Sharlene Taylor had a great idea and if Linda J. wants someone to sell stuff from the house at the Swap N Shop they will have a table dedicated to selling her stuff and make sure her family gets the money. We need to get rid of the bed right now. Both sisters are here and her mom is here. Her sisters are going away and then her brother is coming up. The flowers the ballpark sent are pretty. Mr. Huot asked how is TJ? He is an amazing kid, per audience member Flathers. He is doing real well. We don't know if he realizes exactly what it means. One sister talked to the high school guidance councilor and Sharri has talked to athletic director so that they both know what is happening. The goal is to let him finish the school year here and then possibly he will move to PA with the family. People in town have been incredible. She would love to have visitors, just call ahead. Mr. Lappin said we need to give our donations for the flowers tonight. Chair Furtado said she has spear headed this whole ballpark project with Tommy. One thing that she always wanted is the BBQ pit out by the pond. That was her dream. That's one of the things that is pressing that would be nice to do if we can while she's alive. A covered BBQ pit for the community and name it after her. There is a design that exists somewhere. Audience member Flathers said she dropped the design off to Sharri. It looks pricey. The ballpark is all about families and having people come out. Audience member Lappin said he thinks we should invite the Kiwanis, Rotary and Lions and have them come down here and tell them about it and see if we can get some participation from them on it. Audience member Begert said if there is anything in your house that you can contribute to the Linda Jenkins table at the OOB365 Swap 'N Shop that would be a good idea.

XII. Adjournment

Vice Chair Graves made a motion to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Mr. Gustin.

Minutes submitted by: Linda Mailhot, Secretary