Bristol Town Administrator

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Valerie Capels,

The Bristol Recreation Community Steering Committee had been tasked to research and explore the potential use and purchase of 76 West St property for a new Recreation Center. The committee is to present a package of facts by the end of January for the FY2018 Annual Report. The attending committee has come to a unanimous vote to not pursue the purchase of the 76 West St property for the use by the Recreation Department.

After several discussions and research of the 76 West St property the committee agreed that the following reasons to not pursue the purchase for the 76 West St under the Recreation Department are:

- Property is .59 acres, which limit the growth of the physical space of programs.
- Can not be properly zoned to accommodate parking, utilities, and outdoor space.
- Purchase of 76 West would take the property of the tax book as it is a High-Density Residential area.
- Town owns two other parcels that are larger in acreage and would allow growth or phases of programs.

Thank you for the opportunity to research and discuss the possibilities of creating a new recreation community center. As a group, we are still interested and will be perusing other venues to bring a community center to the five towns.

Attending Committee Members Nov 8th:

Peter Coffey

Alicia Standridge

Brian LaClair

Ian Albinson

David Rosen

Alex Mihavics

Meridith McFarland

Absent Nov 8th:

Kristi Bedard

Dan Sonneborn

Steve Barselou

Valeri Capels

An audio recording of the Nov 8th meeting https://www.dropbox.com/s/e9eewdfqvp85gw7/181108_001.MP3?dl=0 Vote at 1:31:20

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