

To be presented at Committee  
meeting scheduled for 10/25/18



Roberts Field Advisory Committee  
*October 25, 2018 Meeting*

10/25/18

# Meeting Agenda

- Public Input
- Playground Project Update and Discussion
  - DPW Update
  - Natural Play Area Update
  - Engraved Brick Pathway Update
  - Little Library Kiosk Update
  - Sandbox Redesign and Rebuild Discussion
  - Adding Tree Shade Update
  - Kinetic Wind Sculpture Update
- Environmental Bond Bill
- Maintenance Plan Discussion
- Next Committee Meeting Date
- Meeting Minutes Approval
- Adjourn



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# Playground Project Updates

- *For the meeting, can you please provide an update regarding work on the playground including:*
  - *Installation of the Fence and Gates*
  - *Grading and clearing of bittersweet and installation of the abutter berm and fence*
  - *Shade Structure, tables and metal bench installation*

No Update Provided From Steve Jahnle, DPW

Steve Callaghan, DPW – Fence contractor will start work Monday 10/29

# Natural Play Area Update

- Completed

- Raised Gardens
  - Mortared top stones 5 Senses, Butterfly pending
- Stone Dust Path
- Animal Tracks
- Gazing Balls
- Climbing Rocks
- Granite Sitting Stones – 3 of 6

- Pending – TBD

- Kinetic Sculpture
- Chelmsford MA Rocks!
- Natural Play Area Sign
  - Natural Play Area Elements
  - Tree Walk
  - Animal Tracks
- Planting Plans For Gardens





# Engraved Brick Pathway Update

- All replacement bricks were installed by the DPW.
- New Laser Engraved Brick Campaign has started.
  - 4" x 8" engraved brick \$100
  - Replaces blank bricks in pathway
  - Summer 2019 installation
  - New engraved symbols – over 80 to choose from!
  - All proceeds to benefit the playground
  - Buy online or pick-up order form at playground

**[FriendsofRobertsField.org/Buy-A-Brick](https://FriendsofRobertsField.org/Buy-A-Brick)**



# Little Library Kiosk

- Volunteer Built Project – Tip Rawding
- Plans to install in Spring 2019 and work on it over the Winter.

# Sandbox Redesign and Rebuild

- Problems: Drainage and Slippery Sandy Sidewalks
  - Also, shade and seating?



# Adding Tree Shade

- Girl Scout Troop interested in planting a tree inside the playground this fall or next spring. Approximate Budget - \$250

Good Evening,

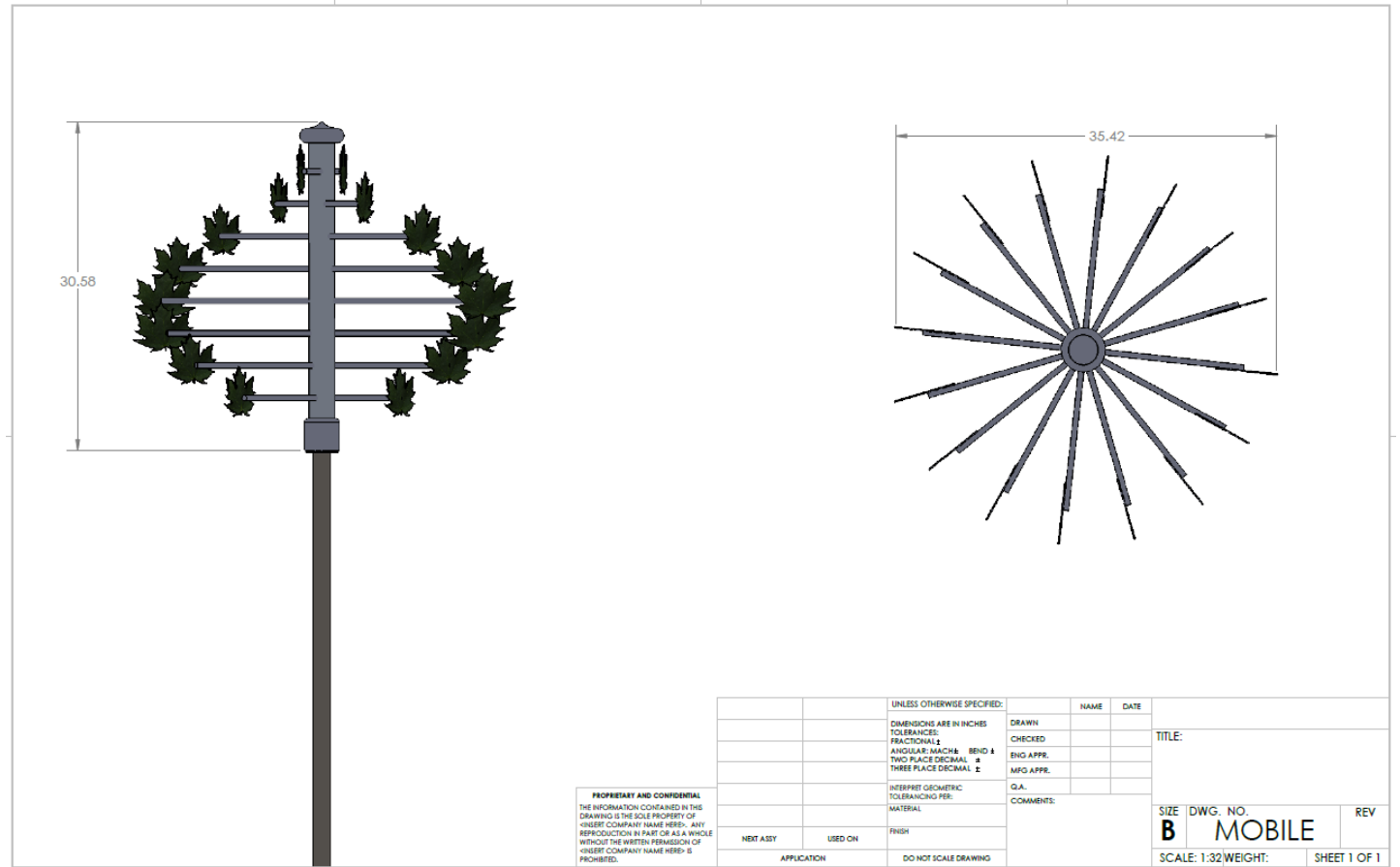
I wanted to reach out to you and see if you are still interested in people donating trees? I ran into someone on your committee and they mentioned that you were looking for organizations in the area to donate trees? I run a girl scout troop and we were hoping to do this as our first project. Please let me know if this is something you'd like us to do and also what kind of tree you would like us to plant. Thank you and look forward to hearing from you.

Katie Kelepouris



# Kinetic Wind Sculpture

- Built by Chris Ferreira and Joe McCarthy
- Design ongoing
- Welding of prototype to begin end of November
- If ground is not frozen, installation Nov/Dec in raised Butterfly Garden
- Tall flowering plants/grasses around base to inhibit access



# Environmental Bond Bill

- State Environmental Bond Bill (EBB) with earmarked funding of \$500k for Roberts Field.
  - \$2.4 billion total, dispersed over years
- Next Steps – Lobby to add earmarked amount to State’s 2019 Capital Plan
  - Decision Maker - Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs
  - State is gathering information for Capital Plan early Spring 2019 and releasing the funds July 1, 2019
- EBB Advocacy – Coordinate with Representatives and Senator, Public Letter and Email campaign: Winter 2019, Funds released July 2019



# Maintenance Plan Discussion

- Jim Martin handouts

# Next Meeting Date

- Next Steps: Complete Signage, Sandbox Redesign and Rebuild, Maintenance Plan Document, Roberts Field
- November meeting available dates:
  - Monday, November 5th
  - Wednesday, November 7th
  - Thursday, November 8th
  - Monday, November 12th
  - Tuesday, November 13th
  - Thursday, November 15th
  - Wednesday, November 21st
  - Monday, November 26th
  - Tuesday, November 27th
  - Thursday, November 29th



# Meeting Minutes Approval

July 10, 2018