Rink User Committee for Design and Planning
Meeting Agenda
October 13, 2021
10 a.m.
Dorothy Hamill Rink

1. Consideration and vote on updates to two FAQs
2. Brief status report-Mr. Monelli
3. Public comments
4. Adjournment

Proposed updates to FAQs:

Will the Morlot Park be preserved at its present site?
• The Rink User Committee, with input from the Byram Veterans will consider possible improvements to the site so the Memorial becomes more prominent and beautiful. The Board of Parks and Recreation and the Board of Selectmen (with support from the Rink User Committee) have voted to formally approve the Park’s name and delineation. This will officially designate and protect the Memorial Park.

Have alternative sites for the rink been considered?
• Further analysis of the Western Middle School property is planned. If a rink were sited at the WMS property, it would consume five or more acres of the 22.09-acre WMS site, depriving public school students and neighbors of that space permanently. The WMS athletic facilities would be permanently impaired, particularly for baseball. Access to a rink at the Western Middle School property is not presently available from Hamilton Avenue or Western Junior Highway. If an entry were developed from Western Junior Highway, the rink entrance and rink traffic would conflict with the school access and school traffic. If an entry were developed from Hamilton Avenue, land or an easement would have to be purchased from the Bakeries and the rink traffic would conflict with the Bakeries traffic. It is not practical to locate the rink on the WMS site.