



# CITY OF CONCORD

## REPORT TO MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** David Gill, Parks & Recreation Director

**DATE:** February 22, 2019

**SUBJECT:** Concord Little Leagues request to improve Little League Field at Memorial Field.

### **Recommendation**

Accept this report and recommendation from the Recreation and Parks Advisory Committee.

### **Background**

At the January 16, 2019 City Council meeting there was a referral sent to the Recreation and Parks Advisory Committee to review a request from Concord Little League to partner with Seacoast United Baseball Club to make improvements at the Little League Field at Memorial Field.

Concord Little League currently has a lease to use Grappone Park and the Little League Field at Memorial Field. Under this lease they are responsible for all improvements and maintenance of those areas. Last year the league did not use the little league field at Memorial Field due to the amount of time and money that would be required to make useable (see pictures below). Last year the league was also hopeful they might be able to gain the use of Dillon Softball Field (next to Grappone Park).

### **Discussion**

The Recreation and Parks Advisory Committee at their February 21, 2019 meeting met with members of the Little League and Seacoast United Baseball Club to review their request. The Recreation and Parks Advisory Committee unanimously supports Concord Little Leagues request to make improvements at the little league field they have under lease at Memorial Field. The committee also asked the league to make sure all permits and insurance certificates are in place prior to improvements being made.

The committee did indicate if the Legal Department or City Administration has any concerns with the leagues partnership with Seacoast United Baseball Club and joint use of the field they would like to revisit their decision.

Pictures of the Little League Field at Memorial Field (take Sept 2018)

