

FULLER FIELD



TRANSITION PLAN

Tentative Transition Plan

1. **October 2020**
Historical Documentation, Property Boundaries, Commission Destination, Signage, & Projects
2. **November 2020**
Complex Mission & Vission, Needs, & Budgeting Process
3. **December 2020**
Scheduling Process, Users, and Fees
4. **January 2021**
Budget Planning for FY22

Overview of Fuller Field

Unlike other boards and commissions in town, the Fuller Field Commission has complete autonomy to manage Fuller Field. Fuller Field oversees policy, procedure and operations for the entire complex.

Due to a “shoestring budget”, the complex has benefited tremendously from volunteerism. Whether it was repairing equipment or clearing brush, the Fuller Field Commissioners have been very involved in the upkeep of the complex.

Ongoing issues with the complex have not been addressed, and as a result, worsened over time. With the establishment of the Facilities and Grounds Department, there is hope that these issues will be identified and addressed.

Since the transition of the Fuller Field Caretaker to the Facilities and Grounds Department, there have been some “bumps” throughout the transition. The Fuller Field Commission members had to involve the Board of Selectmen as the lack consistent maintenance began to show with the conditions of the fields. Currently, there is now an established maintenance plan, and there is a dedicated F&G employee on site most of the season.

Fuller Field Deed

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I, Dorothy T. Fuller, wife of said Grantor release to said grantee all rights of D.O W E R and H O R I E S T E A D' and other interests therein.

W I T N E S S our hands and seals this thirty-first day of March 1921.

William A. Fuller (seal)
Dorothy T. Fuller (seal)

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Worcester ss. Clinton, March 31, 1921. Then personally appeared the above named William A. Fuller and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free act and deed, before me

George F. O'Toole Notary Public.

My commission expires Oct. 13, 1922.
Rec'd March 31, 1921, at 4h. 56m. P. M. Int'd & Ex'd.

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Fuller Field Deed

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I, William A. Fuller, of Clinton, Worcester County, Massachusetts, sets being married, for consideration paid, grant to Inhabitants of the Town of Clinton with q u i t c l a i m covenants the land, being a certain parcel situated on the westerly line of North High Street, in said CLINTON, and known as "Fuller's Field", bounded and described as follows, to wit:- Beginning at a bound at the southeasterly corner of the lot at said High Street, running thence along said High Street, N 14° 01' E, seven hundred sixty-eight and 29/100 (768.29) feet to a bound at land now or formerly of F. A. Currier; thence by land so of said Currier N 55° 44' W, three hundred sixty-two and 52/100 (362.52) feet to a bound; thence S 14° 01' W forty-eight (48) feet by land now or formerly of Ivan Sjoblom to a bound; thence N 75° 59' W, by land so of said Ivan Sjoblom, one hundred (100) feet to a bound at Worcester Street; thence, along said Worcester Street, S 14° 01' W three hundred forty (340) feet to a bound; thence N 75° 59' W, one hundred sixty-five (165) feet to a stream of water; thence southeasterly, curving and angling along said stream, about six hundred forty-three (643) feet to a bound at land now or formerly of A. O. Perham; thence S 75° 59' E, by said Perham's land; one hundred thirty-three (133) feet to a bound; thence N. 14° 01' E, by land now or formerly of one Scott, sixty (60) feet to a bound; thence S 75° 59' W by land so of said Scott, one hundred (100) feet to a bound at point of beginning; excepting therefrom, the lot now occupied by the grantees for schoolhouse purposes, said lot having a frontage of one hundred twenty (120) feet on said High Street, and a depth of two hundred (200) feet. Being the same premises to me conveyed by two deeds of Ernest L. Parker, excepting such portions as have heretofore been conveyed by me to other grantees. These premises are conveyed subject to certain rights of ways, described in said deeds to said other grantees, to which deeds reference is had for a more particular description of said ways. That conveyance is upon the express condition that said premises shall be used only for play-ground and recreation purposes, and shall revert to the grantor and his heirs if used for other purposes, provided, that if at any time in the future, the grantees shall deem it advisable to use said premises, or any portion thereof, for school purposes, they may do so, but must provide, elsewhere, in lieu thereof, for recreation and play-ground purposes, an area equivalent to the area so used for school purposes.

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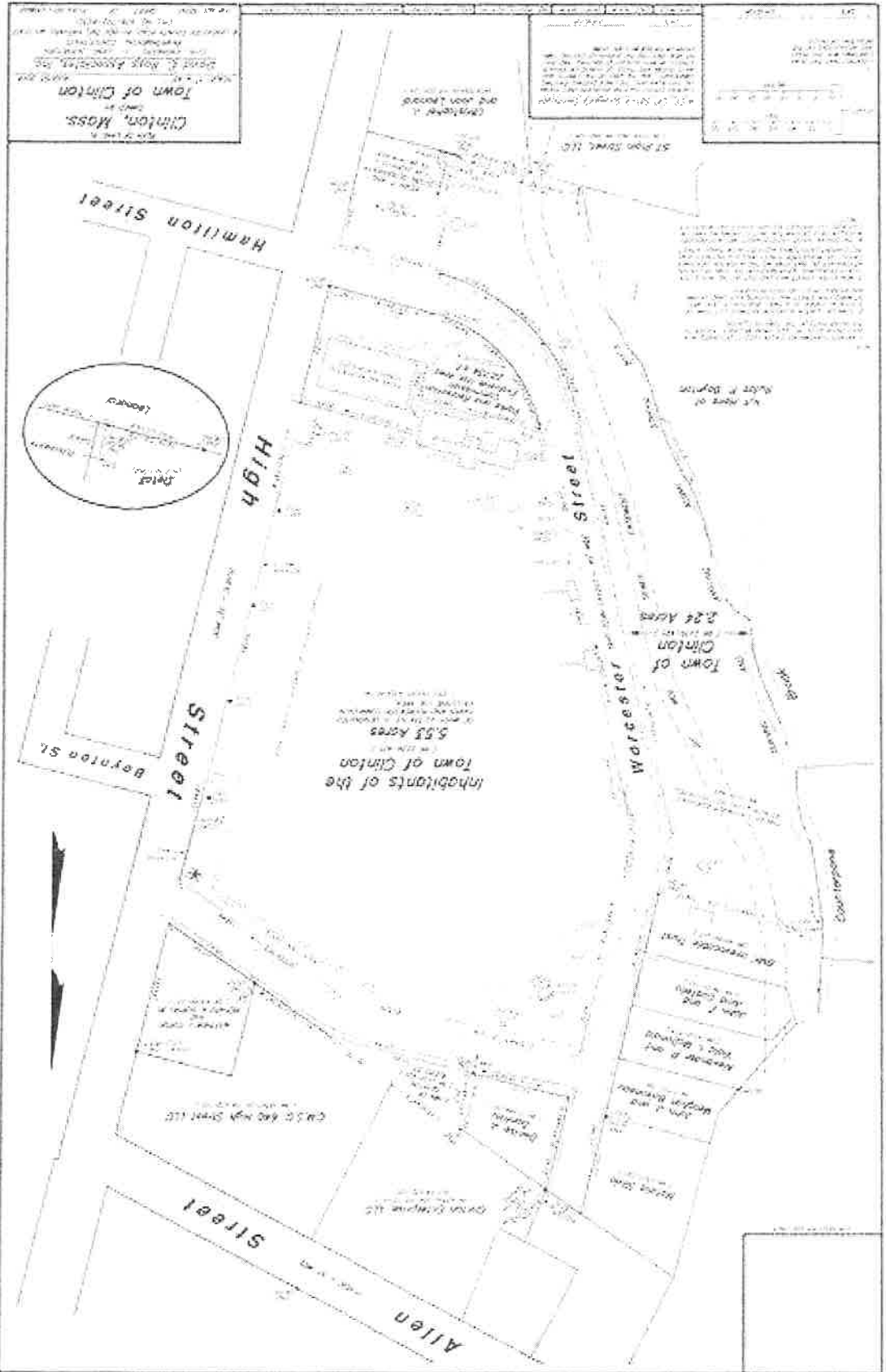
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Property & Survey

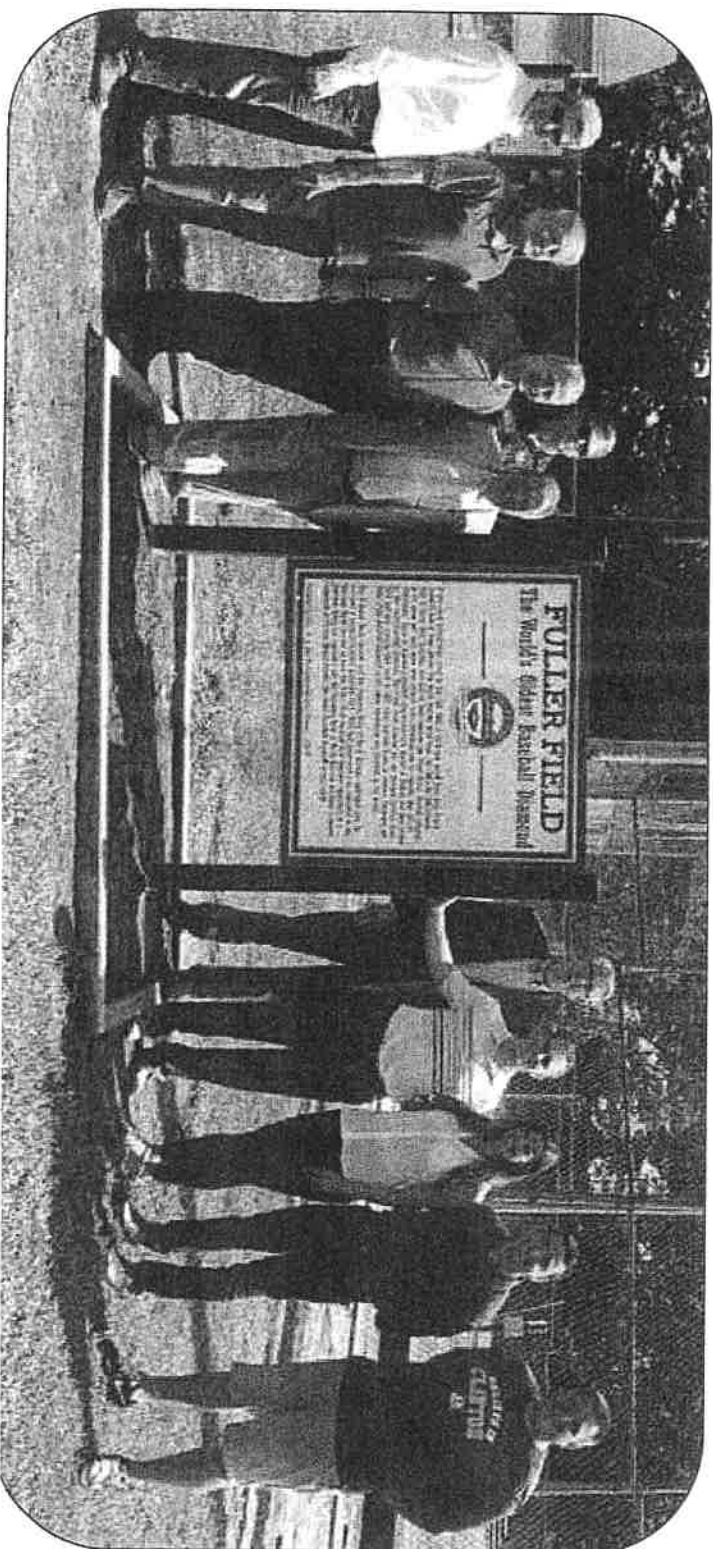
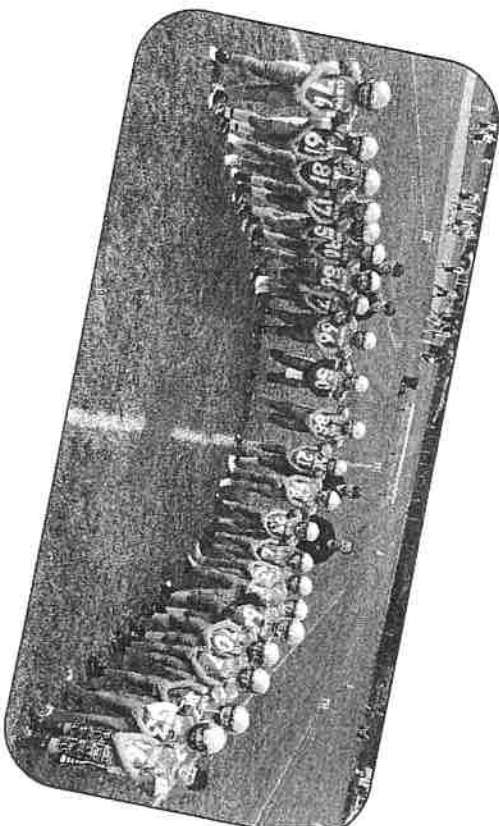


Fuller Field 81-X Survey Plan

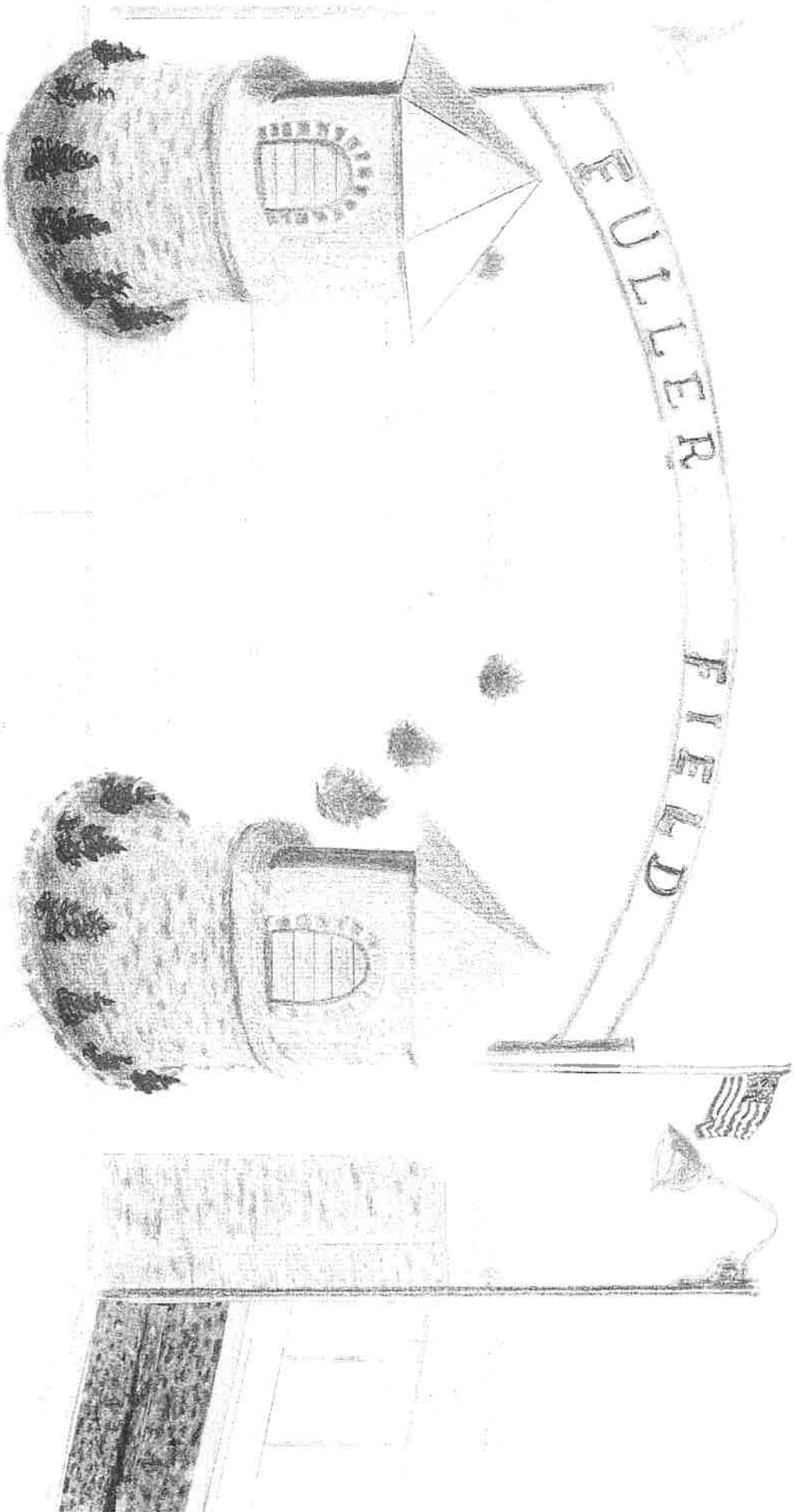
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Commission Mission & Vision



Commission Destination



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Destination Implementation - Phase I



IN MEMORY OF
FRANCIS J. COLEMAN III



YOUTH
BASEBALL
DIAMOND



BASEBALL
HALL OF FAMER



WILLIAM R. HAMILTON (Sliding Billy Hamilton)
Most Runs Scored In A Single Season 196 In 1894
Life Time Total Stolen Bases 937
Scored 100 Or More Runs During 10 Seasons

FULLER FIELD
The World's Oldest Baseball Diamond



If you stood behind home plate at this ball field in 1878 you would have seen three baseballs hit of Lane pitcher Tim Keefe's pitching hand here. By 1883, the first batter in the same ball field these three players have something that is common; they are all Christians. Some of Baseball's greatest players met and played in Clinton, but they played on this exact baseball diamond. The Fuller Field diamond has not changed because since 1878 and was actually dirt laid in 1885 when baseball began in Clinton. Therefore, the Fuller Field baseball diamond is the oldest continuous one diamond in the world.

The National Park Service and the Clinton Park & Field Society confirmed they do not have a baseball diamond predating 1878. With that paperwork was submitted to the National Park Service to have the Fuller Field baseball field diamond recognized as a National Historical Landmark and the Clinton Book of World Records establish a permanent landmark in Clinton, Massachusetts, the oldest baseball diamond in the world.

Hantoverche, A. J. An Extraordinary Town, 2005

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MARTIN MCNAMARA V



BASEBALL
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Notes & Questions