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**Press Release**

**Repairs to all weather track at Veteran's Memorial Stadium completed**

The Town has completed repairs to the all weather track at Veteran's Memorial Stadium. The repairs include replacement of a large section of asphalt near the Concession Stand and repairs to the running surface in 16 other sections of the track. The total cost of the repairs was \$17,300. Replacement of the track will be considered next year at the May, 2020 Annual Town Meeting. The asphalt portion of this repair will not have to be redone if the track is ultimately replaced.

In 2013, the replacement of the track was put into the Town's long term capital plan with the expectation that the track's upper asphalt layer had a remaining life of 12 to 15 years and thus the Town would only need to replace the running surface. Cracking in the track since 2013 indicated that more extensive work was required. The asphalt layer is comprised of a base layer, a binder layer, and a top layer and the Town will not know whether the top or all layers will need to be replaced until work is begun. In doing recent repairs, the top asphalt was removed and the base was intact. Fortunately, testing and analysis by two engineering firms in 2018 indicated that the subsurface below the asphalt was acceptable and could be built upon. The current estimate for the asphalt replacement of all three layers and a new running surface is \$800,000 to \$1,000,000.

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