

Time to bring the Pawtucket Red Sox to New Bedford?

Two New Bedford City Councilors are calling for a second time for New Bedford Mayor Mitchell to send a letter to the Pawtucket Red Sox with hopes of bringing the team to the city. The team's current home is in McCoy Stadium in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, but ownership is looking for a new stadium since the current one is 75 years old.

The city of Pawtucket and the team have failed to come to an agreement on a new stadium, so some cities in New England are hoping to recruit the team.

New Bedford already has a semi-pro baseball team, the New Bedford Bay Sox, that struggles to fill a small stadium, so it may be tough convincing a AAA baseball team that there is a market for them in New Bedford.

A written motion is scheduled to be presented to the New Bedford City Council on Thursday, July 20, 2017:

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Gomes, Winterson and Martins, requesting, that once more a letter be sent to the Triple A Pawtucket Red Sox ownership and management informing them of the City's interest in locating the Triple A team here in New Bedford; and further, that an invitation be sent to the ownership and management of the team to visit and tour possible sites like the Logan Hicks Street and the Washburn Street area of the City and also to meet with the Committee on Appointments and Briefings, the Economic Development Council and a representative from the Mayor's office.