

BAC MEETING MINUTES 6/2/09

The meeting began at 6:00 in the Samoset BOE Annex.

The following members attended: Gary Carruthers, Alan Sacher, Larry Levy, Mike Isernia, Liz Morrison, Ed Hudson and Linda King. From the BOE was Douglas Duncan. There were no visitors.

The following topics were discussed:

- 1) Review and approval of the BAC meeting minutes from 5/26.
- 2) The committee continued to discuss building and field usage. Every field has a permit holder on it for 7 days a week. It is unclear how often teams actually do not show up to use the field even though they reserved it.
- 3) Right now fields and buildings are reserved with a permit at no cost. Security is provided and often groups do not show and then no one pays. A possible idea is to charge groups at the time they apply for a permit and then have some type of refund policy if they cancel.
- 4) An employee from the Town of Brookhaven Parks and Recreation was invited to the BAC meeting to share with the committee how the Town of Brookhaven utilizes its fields. (This was for comparison purposes only)
He provided the following information:

Brookhaven Town charges a \$25.00 non-refundable fee for a field search.

Little League teams that reserve 2-20 dates pay a \$75.00/per field non-refundable fee at the time of their application.

Little League teams that reserve the full season (20 or more dates) pay a \$250.00/per field non-refundable fee at the time of their application.

Adult leagues pay \$1750.00 for 1 field, 1 use, no lights. They pay \$3000.00 for 1 field, 1 use, with lights.

Brookhaven fields are maintained on a daily basis.

Weekend tournaments are charged \$450.00 per field, per day.

- 5) Teams that have permits and do not use the field can let another team use their space. Possibly permits should be non-transferable.
- 6) The committee discussed maybe charging adult leagues a \$100.00 clean up fee.

- 7) Community Education and Building and Field Usage are run by 2 separate people with 2 separate stipends. The committee discussed the idea of 1 person running both programs.
- 8) There was a discussion in regards to a recommendation by the committee to increase fees for building and field usage. They also discussed field improvements that need to be made and how additional funds would offset those costs. The committee would like Mike Bergin, Plant Facilities Administrator, to address the committee on needed field improvements and costs involved. Possibly new fencing, removal of glass and rocks, new backstops, lines, clay mounds ext...
- 9) The committee is still waiting for answers on the following issues:
Sachem Swim Club pool usage.
\$83,000 teacher's salaries for child care.
\$106,000 for employee benefits for child care.
Youth league hours of usage for gyms and fields.
- 10) The committee will continue to put together a recommendation to the BOE in regards to Community Ed, Building and Pool usage. Larry Levy briefly went over the pool usage presentation with some recommended changes.

The meeting ended at 8:00 and the next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday June 16th at 6:00 in conference room #1 of the District Office.