

**TOWN FIELDS COMMITTEE
ROOM 101, VETERANS MEMORIAL BUILDING
900 MAIN STREET
APRIL 24, 2013
MEETING MINUTES**

Present: Jim McKay, Chris Smith, Steve Cassidy, Kris Fogarty, Sue Vara

Meeting Called to Order: 6:34 pm

Old Business:

Revenue from field use at the schools will be discussed at a future meeting since the numbers were not available this evening.

Jim McKay updated the Committee pertaining to the Town Park engineer consultation. He stated that Wayne Carlson, a local engineer, has been hired for \$950 to develop three different scenarios for different locations of the “Big Diamond”, “Softball Diamond”, “AAA Diamond”, “AA Diamond”, and “Practice Diamond”, along with soccer fields in order to better utilize the Town Park. Kris Fogarty stated that Wayne stopped by the Recreation Department’s office and she gave him dimensions for the “Big Diamond”.

Wayne also stopped by at the Middle/High School to look over the area considered “Brook Field” and also the “Football Practice Field” located on the school grounds. Wayne felt that the school fields were a bit more complicated since the Conservation Commission would need to be consulted since there are wetlands involved.

Both Kris Fogarty and Steve Cassidy went over to look at the former Town dump site to see if that land would be available for use for field. They felt that it could be possible with upgrades to the pavement on the road, parking, and field construction amongst other considerations.

There was discussion of stages that this Committee should recommend. For the short-term goal recommendations, perhaps Oak Grove Farm constructing at least an 11 x 11 soccer field and to restructure Town Park. For long-term goals, perhaps installing turf at the High School football field. Also, centralizing at least Town Park and Oak Grove Farm fields.

New Business:

Priority of Millis teams/residents discussion to be further discussed in the future.

Next Meeting:

The next Town Fields Committee meeting will be held on May 22, 2013 in Room 206 of the Veterans Memorial Building at 6:30.

Meeting Adjourned:

Motion made by Jim McKay and seconded by Sue Vara to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Susan K. Vara