

# Town of Stonington Athletic Field Oversight Committee Meeting

## Meeting Minutes

The meeting was held March 1, 2013 @ 2:30 pm at Stonington HS. In attendance were: J. Bragaw, M. Crowley, L. DiCesare, K. Donovan, S. Grimes, E. Haberek, B. King, B. Morrone, A. Morrison, V. Riley, P. Sartor, S. Steadman, and B. Sternberg. Kevin Fuselier from Malone & MacBroom was also present. Absent: J. Mendonca and L. Sullivan.

The items discussed were as follows:

1. Status Update on Athletic Field Project

- A. Lay down area status: The bid has been awarded to a local contractor in the amount of \$8900.00 and work is expected to start soon. It is supposed to be finished by mid April.
- B. Tentative bid advertisement: It is anticipated that the bid advertisement for the athletic field will be placed in the newspaper, Friday, March 8, allowing prospective contractors 3 weeks to prepare and submit their bids. The plans and specs will be available for purchase on Monday, March 11. All questions should be directed to Joe Bragaw.
- C. Tentative bid opening: It is anticipated the bid opening will take place on March 28. There will be meeting soon thereafter to discuss the bids and decide upon the turf choice.

2. Discuss and Vote on the following items:

- A. Look at renderings and make sure that is what we want – no issues.
- B. Alternate color panels – samples were provided for viewing and a final decision will be made at the 3/29 meeting after bids are in.
- C. Look at brown turf sample for “S” logo – The Shaw brown sample provided was very light and not a good match. A special color would have to be ordered and there may be an additional cost. The Field Turf brown was a good match as is.
- D. Football lines along side of the field (restricted 2 yd box dash/player box) – no issues.

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- E. Ball safety netting along sideline – Sleeves will still be put into the bid along the edge of the track.
- F. Field Turf Coolplay product – A sample was provided for viewing and it will be in the bid request as an option.
- G. Allowable staging area – Discussed with no issues.
- H. Anything Else? –
  - 1) Location of the flag pole was discussed.
  - 2) Electric and communication boxes will be put on both sides of the 50 yd line and at approximately the 20-25 yd line (common finish line at the SW corner).
  - 3) Quick couplings to provide water on both sides of the field will be in the design.
  - 4) There was some discussion about the ability to see the “S” in the center of the field from an oblique view as provided from the bleachers.

Public Comment – None

Determine Action Items:

- A. Bryan Morrone (and perhaps others from the school) will go to look at a Field Turf field that has alternating colors to see the contrast and will report back to the committee at the next meeting.

Set upcoming Oversight Committee meeting dates.

- A. **The next meeting date is still to be determined.**