

Medfield Parks and Recreation Minutes

Pfaff Center 12/3/08 7:30 PM

Attending: COMMISSIONERS: Steve Farrar, Lisa Louttit, Mel Seibolt, and Tom Caragliano.
DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION: Jim Snyder
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Paula Carroll
MEDFIELD HIGH SCHOOL INTERNS: Andrew Day, Harrison Everts, and Greg Kilcommons
MEDFIELD MEN'S SOFTBALL: Josh Murray and Wayne Moss
MEDFIELD YOUTH LACROSSE: Nick Brown and Mike McQuillan
MEDFIELD YOUTH BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL: Pat O'Reilly and Steve Kramer

1. Motion: Approve 11/19/08 Minutes. Vote: Motion carries (4-0).

2. Ice Skating Rink

As is the case with all community leagues, sports, clubs, special events, and other endeavors, volunteer workers are crucial to the success of such community based initiatives. Thus, an ice skating rink cannot be built until there is a commitment from interested citizens willing to volunteer to maintain the rink. This primarily requires consistent shoveling/snow blowing of the rink after every snowfall, routinely leveling rough patches, and watering as necessary. Lisa Louttit will submit a "Letter to the Editor" to both the *Medfield Press* and *Hometown Weekly* asking for citizen volunteers to contact us if they can help maintain the ice skating rink after it is built.

3. Landscape Strategy

It is legal (i.e. not considered bid-splitting) to separate our landscaping requirements into three requests for proposal as follows: 1) trash removal, 2) chemical usage, and 3) lawn cutting.

4. Usage Fees and Policies

The Pfaff Center rental agreement is being updated by Jim and Lisa. Changes include rental price increases and detailed wording regarding the requirements for minors interested in renting the center for teenage events... Program fees for all our winter/spring 2009 classes and leagues have not been increased... Camp fees and swim pond memberships for summer 2009 will be increasing... Field fee rental policies, such as flat seasonal fees versus charging per game, field rental to for-profit sports entities, and charging schools for usage are being examined and may change. This has to be decided by January 1, 2009.

5. Employee Non-Compete Agreements

The board has determined it is not advisable to require employee non-compete agreements.

6. Conversion of McCarthy Park Softball Field

Medfield Youth Baseball and Softball (MYBS), upon recently having their request rejected to permanently convert the McCarthy Park softball field exclusively to a baseball only field, now is willing to consider converting the field to a dual-usage field. Medfield Men's Softball wants to work on this proposed resolution with MYBS, but not unless/until Medfield Youth Lacrosse has new solution for where to play their games that does not require them to rent more soccer field space (they currently pay approximately \$10,000 a year to rent soccer fields). Nick Brown will meet with Bob McGuire of the School Department this week to discuss the possibility of converting one of their soccer fields to a permanent lacrosse field. Nick will report back to the board at our next meeting, Wednesday, December 17, at 7:30 AM.

Meeting adjourned: 9:15 PM.

Next Meeting: Wednesday MORNING, December 17th at 7:30 AM.