

Athletic Fields Group: meeting notes

Date: Wed 1/4/12 7:30am. @ Town Hall

Attendees: J. Curto & T. Cunningham- Haldane

A. Stickle-Town Rec Dept

J. Champlin, community groups

F. Kohut, Blue Devil Booster Club

D. Merandy, Town Board

S. Dimitz, Town Rec Commission

B. Campbell, Village Board

M. Beachak, Village Rec Commission

G. Colucci, Garrison School

The following is a summary of the meeting:

- I. brief recap of where the process stood after the holiday break*
- II. Tom verified Curt from Ward Assoc. was confirmed for a Public Forum on Mon. Jan. 30th 7pm. @ Haldane Aud.*
- III. Committee should receive draft written report in full the end of this week/early next for review*
- IV. Jon Champlin had sent an e-blast to his list notifying people of the 1/30 forum*
- V. Haldane to run a small ad next week in PCNR and Amber mentioned possibly the week after for Rec to do same*
- VI. Possible info table at weekly Farmer's Market*
- VII. General discussion of next steps after Public Forum*
- VIII. Comment that some form of advocacy group should be formed which could be a pre-cursor to a Philipstown Sports Council like many communities have*
- IX. Important that the user groups come out and voice support for the process*
- X. Some examples of other field improvement votes which have taken place recently was discussed, i.e Hyde Park, Hen Hud & Rye*
- XI. "affordability" "basic upgrades vs luxury" perceptions*
- XII. re-emphasis placed that the study is a "series of recommendations based on the consultants expert opinions" & not a defined approved plan ready to be publicly voted on*

XIII. focus on community wide vision but individual sites of interest as the plan will eventually revert to the respective decision making boards

XIV. group agreed to short term meeting schedule leading up to the 1/30 forum assuming the written draft report is ready for review by Wed 1/11 committee meeting

- Wed 1/11 7:30am Town Hall- review draft report in detail*
- Wed 1/18 7:30am TBD- conference call w/ Curt of Ward reviewing draft with Q&A-potential modifications*
- Tues. 1/24 TBD- meet with user groups on study*
- Mon 1/30 7pm. Public Forum@ Haldane*

Note: intent is to have a PDF of final written report posted on the web for review approx 1/23

IX. Graymoor

- Matt to get name of new contact at Graymoor and committee to issue a letter summarizing what's been done as well as invite to 1/30 forum*
- outreach efforts to date have been unsuccessful*

NEXT MEETING: Wed. Jan. 11, 2012 7:30am@ Town Hall

notes by joe curto