

*Northbridge School Committee
Fields and Fees Subcommittee*

Date: *Thursday, July 22, 2009*

Time: *7:00 pm*

Location: *Administration Building*

Minutes

Present: *Fred Beauregard, Julie Gawlak, Selena Livingston*

Absent: *Susan Brouwer*

Others in attendance: *Susan Gorky, Paul Halacy, Alicia Cannon: Chair Parks & Recreation, Dwayne Fitzgerald: Park & Recreation, Francis Puda: Parks & Recreation*

Call to Order: *Fred Beauregard called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm*

Discussion:

- *Introductions were made between the School Committee and Parks & Recreation Dept.*
- *Both committees are committed to working together to provide the children and our community the best possible fields and programs.*
- *Provided an update on the High School Fields:*
- *Guard rails are placed along driving road.
Rocks have been placed for cars to pull off onto when passing another car, the rocks are not for driving*
- *Signs will be installed to alert drivers that cars with handicap placards and license plates will be allowed to travel to the fields via the road and can park (15 spaces).*
- *Cars would be allowed to drop off passengers then return to the high school parking lot. There is a 'turn-around' installed at the top of the hill. There must be compliance with the rules as it relates to parking/driving cars to the top of the hill otherwise the police will tow unauthorized cars.*

- *The lower fields (baseball field, softball field and 3-4 soccer fields) will be released the last week of August/beginning of Sept to the School Committee.*
- *The upper field must have another year for the grass to grow so those fields will be released spring 2010. It is imperative that no activity take place on the upper fields and that it gets one full growing season. Paul Halacy will place signs around the field to alert everyone that the upper field is off limits.*
- *The in-fields of both baseball diamonds will be roto-tilled for use in the spring.*
- *It is a very exciting time for the district and the community that these fields will be available in the fall for school practices and used by the “Parks & Recreation” Department.*
- *Short-term goal for the group is to raise funds to sod Lasalle/Middle School field in June 2010 for the 2010 Fall Season. We agreed to discuss further and create committees at our next meeting.*

The next meeting will be scheduled once the fields are turned over to the school department from the BPCC, at the end of August beginning of Sept.

Meeting was adjourned at: 8:05 pm

Sincerely,

*Frederick Beauregard
Chair: Field & Fees Sub-Committee
School Committee Member*