

Faber Utilization Project

April 13, 2015

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Field Utilization Project

- The Committee is absolutely non partisan.
 - Though individuals have opinions
 - Everything we are doing is based on fact
 - Our mission is to give the council a clear decision tree from which they can decide which options best suit the varied and diverse needs of the community with a focus on:
 - Costs-What options best suit the long term needs of the community (need vs want)
 - Efficiency-What can and should the entire community (BOE and Rec) do to better manage all resources available
 - Environment/Health –Other than creating a safe environment, it is not our mission to debate an issue that is the purview of EPA

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Committee is made up of:

Bob VanLangen Chairperson

Eileen Hillock

Jim Treacy

Scott King

Sean Brennan

Jon Cole

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- Thank You to:
 - Mark Barone-Help to provide transparency, reality and coordination with all parties involved
 - Recreation Board Members for help in identifying and documenting the realities of scheduling
 - Sandy Marinos and the Board of Education for expanding access to their fields and scheduling systems and for increased transparency
 - You, for your patience

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Time Line Perspective

- November
 - Committee formed at request of Mayor/Council
 - The group met and clarified the mission
- December
 - Met with all involved parties (BOE, Rec Council, engineer)
 - Requested schedule data from Rec and travel teams
- January/February/March
 - Collected, refined and analyzed data
 - Established tracking system
 - Presented process to all parties involved
- April
 - Presented initial findings to Council
 - Populated school dude
- May
 - Present financial reports and overall conclusions for Board Actions

Field Utilization Project

- Before ANY discussion on the Faber field could be resolved, we needed to determine what the towns REAL needs from a field usage perspective are
 - We have identified all field users and have received either their projected 2015 field needs or their actual 2014 usage. All data used in this analysis came directly from the GRBOE, GR Rec teams or the Shooting Stars
 - We also needed to understand the entire process for procurement and management of fields including:
 - Time, weather, maintenance, schedule changes and dealing with problem situations

- Glen Rock has up to 25 fields depending on the time of the year and sports needs
- We have discovered that the historic usage of each field was largely driven by the sport themselves instead of overall availability
 - A process has been put in place, with the assistance of GR Board of Education system (School Dude) and the Director of Recreation to implement a better mechanism for planning, approving and tracking all field usage
 - » This includes usage of GRBOE facilities
 - » We are attempting to make it that all field usage needs to be approved ahead of time

- We are now better able to determine what the REAL demands are (hours) for each field
- We are now attempting to determine if our field usage is out of balance or if our real capacity exceeds our resources

BOROUGH OF GLEN ROCK						
Usage Analysis by Field (Including GRHS)						
		Spring		Fall	Fall and Spring	
	Spring	% of Total	Fall	% of Total	Total Hours	% of Total
GRHS Upper	491:15:00	9.9%	572:30:00	15.9%	1063:45:00	12.4%
GRHS Lower	473:00:00	9.5%	192:30:00	5.3%	665:30:00	7.8%
Lower Faber	362:30:00	7.3%	909:30:00	25.3%	1272:00:00	14.9%
Brookside	822:00:00	16.6%	397:30:00	11.0%	1219:30:00	14.3%
Upper Faber	210:00:00	4.2%	237:30:00	6.6%	447:30:00	5.2%
Memorial	520:00:00	10.5%	539:00:00	15.0%	1059:00:00	12.4%
Central	92:30:00	1.9%	0:00:00	0.0%	92:30:00	1.1%
Coleman	607:30:00	12.3%	192:30:00	5.3%	800:00:00	9.3%
Hamilton	855:00:00	17.3%	560:30:00	15.6%	1415:30:00	16.5%
Main	79:00:00	1.6%	0:00:00	0.0%	79:00:00	0.9%
Sycamore	130:00:00	2.6%	0:00:00	0.0%	130:00:00	1.5%
GRHS Bseball	312:00:00	6.3%		0.0%	312:00:00	3.6%
Grand Total Hours	4954:45:00	100.0%	3601:30:00	100.0%	8556:15:00	100.0%
Average/Facility	412:53:45		327:24:33		713:01:15	

	Fall and Spring			Hours Over	
	Total Hours	% of Total	Ideal Hours	Under	
				Ideal	% vs ideal
GRHS Upper	1063:45:00	12.4%	1300:00:00	236:15:00	18.2%
GRHS Lower	665:30:00	7.8%	1300:00:00	634:30:00	48.8%
Lower Faber	1272:00:00	14.9%	800:00:00	472:00:00	59.0%
Brookside	1219:30:00	14.3%	800:00:00	419:30:00	52.4%
Upper Faber	447:30:00	5.2%	800:00:00	352:30:00	44.1%
Memorial	1059:00:00	12.4%	800:00:00	259:00:00	32.4%
Central	92:30:00	1.1%	800:00:00	707:30:00	88.4%
Coleman	800:00:00	9.3%	800:00:00	0:00:00	0.0%
Hamilton	1415:30:00	16.5%	800:00:00	615:30:00	76.9%
Main	79:00:00	0.9%	800:00:00	721:00:00	90.1%
Sycamore	130:00:00	1.5%	800:00:00	670:00:00	83.8%
GRHS Bseball	312:00:00	3.6%	800:00:00	488:00:00	61.0%
Grand Total Hours	8556:15:00	100.0%			
Average/Facility	713:01:15				

Observations

- The number of hours utilized per season is staggering
- What is optimal usage for each field?
- Should there ever be a limit on field usage?
- What process is in place to manage all users, including the BOE
 - What process is in place to match user needs vs availability and how are the ages of users considered
 - What can be put in place to fix this permanently?

Observations-Continued

- Can rest time be worked into these field schedules
- How can we give reasonable assurance that our fields will never get this way again?

	Fall and Spring	Estimated Changes	Adjusted Hours	
2 YEAR PLAN ESTIMATES	Total Hours	2 Years	2 Years	% of Total
GRHS Upper	1063:45:00	36:15:00	1100:00:00	12.1%
GRHS Lower	665:30:00	434:30:00	1100:00:00	12.1%
Lower Faber	1272:00:00	200:00:00	1072:00:00	11.7%
Brookside	1219:30:00	200:00:00	1019:30:00	11.2%
Upper Faber	447:30:00		447:30:00	4.9%
Memorial	1059:00:00		1059:00:00	11.6%
Central	92:30:00		92:30:00	1.0%
Coleman	800:00:00		800:00:00	8.8%
Hamilton	1415:30:00	100:00:00	1315:30:00	14.4%
Main	79:00:00	200:00:00	279:00:00	3.1%
Sycamore	130:00:00	200:00:00	330:00:00	3.6%
GRHS Bseball	312:00:00		312:00:00	3.4%
Radburn		200:00:00	200:00:00	2.2%
Grand Total Hours	8556:15:00	370:45:00	9127:00:00	100.0%
				% Change
Average/Facility	713:01:15		702:04:37	1.5%

4 YEAR PLAN ESTIM	Fall and Spring	Estimated	Adjusted	
GRASS	Total Hours	Changes	Hours	% of Total
		4 Years	4 Years	
GRHS Upper	1063:45:00	236:15:00	1300:00:00	14.9%
GRHS Lower	665:30:00	634:30:00	1300:00:00	14.9%
Lower Faber	1272:00:00	472:00:00	800:00:00	9.1%
Brookside	1219:30:00	419:30:00	800:00:00	9.1%
Upper Faber	447:30:00	152:30:00	600:00:00	6.9%
Memorial	1059:00:00	159:00:00	900:00:00	10.3%
Central	92:30:00	57:30:00	150:00:00	1.7%
Coleman	800:00:00	0	800:00:00	9.1%
Hamilton	1415:30:00	415:30:00	1000:00:00	11.4%
Main	79:00:00	121:00:00	200:00:00	2.3%
Sycamore	130:00:00	70:00:00	200:00:00	2.3%
GRHS Bseball	312:00:00	188:00:00	500:00:00	5.7%
Radburn	0:00:00	200:00:00	200:00:00	2.3%
Grand Total Hours	8556:15:00	193:45:00	8750:00:00	100.0%
				% Change
Average/Facility	713:01:15		673:04:37	5.6%

	Fall and Spring	Estimated Changes	Adjusted Hours	
4 YEAR PLAN ESTIM	Total Hours	4 Years	4 Years	% of Total
TURF				
GRHS Upper	1063:45:00	236:15:00	1300:00:00	14.1%
GRHS Lower	665:30:00	634:30:00	1300:00:00	14.1%
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GRHS Bseball	312:00:00	188:00:00	500:00:00	5.4%
Radburn	0:00:00			0.0%
Grand Total Hours	8556:15:00	693:45:00	9250:00:00	100.0%
				% Change
Average/Facility	713:01:15		770:50:00	8.1%

Additional Observations

- What is the real capacity of the GRHS facilities and the soon to be renovated Coleman softball only field?
 - Realistic numbers (with lights) are not estimable at this time
- Are these guestimates from the previous screens reasonable?
- What is a realistic lighting plan considering GRHS and Upper Faber have game ready lights?
- What is the BOE doing and does it complement what the town is doing?

- Maintenance Issues-
 - We have heard numerous anecdotal comments about the condition of fields in general. We are taking the following actions to deal with this:
 - There will be an on line survey that all team coaches will have to file after every event so we can SPECIFICALLY address:
 - Weather conditions
 - Field Conditions
 - Any other miscellaneous issues
 - » This will be shared on a timely basis between the Director of Recreation and the Director of the DPW
 - See next Slide for template
 - This will then create a record for identify, tracking and resolving real vs anecdotal issues
 - Irrigation repair of any fields is not being addressed in this plan.
 - We have learned from Bob that those systems are not repairable. As such, replacement is the only option.

2015 SPRING FIELD CONDITION

COACH Field Report

Please use this quick survey to provide details of your experience with today's field usage.

1. Coach Name

2. Sport Played

3. Date

4. Time (include am or pm)

5. Field Used

6. Approximate # attendees

7. Was this a Practice or a Game?

8. Please rate the following:

	1 - Unplayable	2. OK	3. Good	4, Very Good	5. Excellent
Field Condition	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Weather	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Level of Field Maintenance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

9. Any additional comments (Including comments on Field Maintenance)?

- **Additional Talking Points**

- All financial comparisons and analysis will be presented in our next session
- Potential to suggest that current plan at Faber of 100% one way or the other may not be the way to go.
 - Eg: why not 50% turf, 50% grass
- Lighting Related:
 - Does Glen Rock need 3 game ready facilities with lights? (GRHS, Upper Faber and Lower Faber)
 - Can lower level (cost) lights be recommended for Lower Faber
 - Similarly, is there a real need to light all of Lower Faber and Brookside vs only Brookside for practice facility usage
 - Should the use of portable lights be considered as part of a permanent plan for any field usage

Additional talking Points

- We believe there is consensus that ALL teams will contribute, regardless of which alternative is chosen.
 - The algorithm is being addressed, as is the suggested total to be collected.
- Any issues related to whether turf is good or bad from a health perspective are not being addressed.
 - Our position is that if the EPA can't opine, neither can we
- The next presentation will present decision trees for all options so the next phase can be considered appropriately by the council.