

## **Ridgewood Fields Committee Minutes**

**February 4, 2025 – 8:00 am 2<sup>nd</sup> Fl. Conference Room Ed. Center/ ZOOM**

**Attendees: IN PERSON** – N. Bigos, G. D’Andrea, D. Wilde, R. Matthews, D. Smith, E. Sudol, A. Pollick, J. Yohana, M. Handy, L. Deighan, R. Young, P. Coopersmith, D. Smith, R. Hache, S. Winograd, M. Hefferan

**ZOOM** - R. Lasky, R. Brooks, K. Kazmark, M. Micale, D. Manmering, C. Fisher P. Thomas, M. Sullivan

**Public Attendees** – A. McCambridge

### **I. Roll Call**

RECOGNIZED GROUPS IN ATTENDANCE-Ridgewood Baseball and Softball Assoc., Ridgewood Soccer, Ridgewood Jr. Football, Hoops Club Basketball, Maroons Club Soccer, Ridgewood Parks and Recreation Department, Ridgewood Community School, Village Council Liaison, Board Of Ed Liaison

ABSENT- Rebels Basketball, Biddy Basketball, Ridgewood Jr. Wrestling, Ridgewood Roller Hockey, Ridgewood Lacrosse Assoc., Member at Large, RHS Athletic Department

### **II. Approval of Minutes-November 12, 2024**

1<sup>st</sup> – R. Brooks, 2<sup>nd</sup> – B. Lasky, Minutes approved by all.

### **III. Public Comment**

A. McCambridge- Concerned about the turf fields flooding and chemical contamination of the soil and water.

### **IV. Revision/Athletic Fields and Recreational Facilities Use Policy - Update**

N. Bigos-Tabled for March meeting

### **V. RHS Spring Schedules**

N. Bigos-Tabled for March meeting.

### **VI. Master Library**

VOR Spring Requests

D. Wilde- Stated that all in season schedules for the spring have been submitted and are being reviewed. He stated last week all village employees were offered training on how to set up an account in Master Library and how to reserve facilities. This now includes fields, parks and building room use.

### **VII. Field Project Updates**

Veterans Field Lighting

N. Bigos-Thanked the BOE, RLAX, RBSA, and RJFA for their donations and support in partnership with the Village.

BF Field Renovation

D. Smith- No updates at this time he will be meeting with the architect’s this week.

South Pleasant Park/Hawes

N. Bigos- Stated that the renovation is complete and asked the public to stay off the field until the end of April when the fencing is removed to allow the sod roots establish and clay settle.

Orchard Field

L. Deighan-Said they are ready to set up for the spring; we have ordered paint and have tested the satellite robot.

### **VIII. Winter/Early Spring Maintenance**

Portable Restrooms

No report

Fencing Veterans Field

D. Smith-The HS will be using the same fencing as in the past.

Portable Light Towers

C. Fisher- Is looking for someone to service the light towers. Four or five of the towers are operational another four or five are possibly operational and the rest will be scrapped.

Equipment Boxes

N. Bigos- Asked that the equipment boxes emptied, cleaned out and possibly painted for spring.

Stadium & Stevens Field

D. Smith-Turf grooming and maintenance will take place March 8<sup>th</sup>. The spring maintenance schedule was sent to Aramark.

**IX. New Spring Program Requests**

N. Bigos-No new requests

**X. RASA – Application for Recognized Group – Status Report**

P. Coopersmith- Had a conference call with the IRS for clarification in order to classify them as a non-profit. An additional document was filed with the IRS. They are hoping to have the 501C3 by the next meeting. League play begins in April they will need 3 to 5 field dates in spring and fall.

**XI. New Business**

No new business

**XII. Next Meeting Date-March 4, 2025; 8:00 am, In person, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room, Ed Center/ZOOM**

**Motion for Adjournment**

1<sup>st</sup> – S. Winograd, 2<sup>nd</sup> – B. Lasky, **8:19 am adjourned**