

**BOROUGH OF GLEN ROCK**  
**DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION**



**RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING**

Tuesday, September 9, 2014

8:00pm

Conference Room 'B'

Glen Rock's Borough Hall

**ATTENDANCE**

The following members and officials were in attendance:

- Joan Orseck, Department of Parks and Recreation Council Liaison
- Mark Sabow, Recreation Advisory Board Chairperson
- Mark Barone, Director of Parks and Recreation
- Anne Camp
- Bruce Packer
- Rob Rundle
- James Leonard
- Eric Orseck
- Jim Brogan
- Robert Bourne - Guest
- Tim McDonald - Guest
- Matt Deeley - Guest

**REPORT READS AS FOLLOWS**

**NEW MEETING PROCEDURES**

The July 8, 2014 meeting minutes were submitted and reviewed by all members in attendance.

**ARTIFICIAL TURF FIELD UPDATE**

Mark Sabow briefed everyone on the proposed Artificial Turf Field Project at the Lower Faber Athletic Complex. He stated the estimated cost of the artificial turf field project would be a total of 2.7 million dollars. With that being said, the proposed total bond would be 3.0 million dollars to cover any incidental costs. In addition, Mark stated the soil borings have already been completed on the proposed site.

The Artificial Turf Field Discussion Panel will be organized. It will consist of 3 residents who are in favor of the artificial turf field project and three residents who are against the artificial turf field project. Ted Burke will televise the event live on GRTV. No audience members will be

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allowed to watch the event. The discussion will address various issues and will hopefully answer numerous questions in regards to a natural and artificial turf field. The format will consist of each member receiving a total of 5 minutes and being allowed to answer the proposed questions.

The artificial turf field bond issue will be on the November 4<sup>th</sup> ballot. It will be a yes or no question to the specific proposed question for the artificial turf at the Lower Faber Athletic Complex.

A common question which has been raised: Why is the natural turf at the Lower Faber Athletic Complex in such disrepair? The answer is that the Lower Faber Athletic Complex is in such disrepair as a result of over usage, lack of water, inability to maintain properly, and the existing soil characteristics.

**RECREATIONAL ATHLETIC ORGANIZATION UPDATES**

**Glen Rock Baseball Softball Association**

- The GRBSA's fall travel baseball/ softball season started last week.
- The GBRSA's summer travel baseball/ softball season concluded the last week of July with the annual baseball tournament/ trip to Cooperstown, NY.
- A new Executive Board will be turning over in October. James Leonard will be the new President of the Glen Rock Baseball Softball Association.

**Glen Rock Lacrosse Association**

- No Report Submitted.

**Glen Rock Junior Football Association**

- No report submitted.

**Glen Rock Men's Softball**

- Men's Softball reported that a successful 2014 spring/ summer season was recently completed.
- 160 - 170 participants in total.

**Glen Rock Soccer Club**

- The GRSC reported they have 634 total registrants to date.
- GRSC stated they do not cut off their registration and will never turn late registrants away from joining.
- The GRSC reported they have a roster cap of 22 players per team because their bi-laws state all players must play at least 50% of the game. As a result, waiting lists for the teams will be formed.

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- A soccer field at Hamilton School has been reconfigured and has been moved out of the wet areas.
- The GRSC and the GRSS has installed a Knack Box at the High School as a result of special artificial turf field flags.
- The GRSC will host their annual Red Bull Night Fundraising Event.
- The GRSC will continue to engage with the Red Bulls to train their coaches.

**Glen Rock Shooting Stars**

- The GRSS reported they currently have 277 players within 21 teams to date.
- The first weekend of their fall season was successful.
- The GRSS would like to thank other organizations for their great cooperativeness to date.

**Glen Rock Department of Parks and Recreation**

- The Glen Rock Pool is scheduled to close for the season on Friday, September 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Tru Green will be scheduling their third applications for Wilde Memorial, Upper Faber, and Lower Faber beginning on October. I will schedule accordingly.

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

**Tuesday, October 14th**

- 8:00pm
- Conference Room 'B'
- Glen Rock's Borough Hall

Respectfully submitted,

*Mark Barone*

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