

VILLAGE OF JOHNSBURG  
COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE  
August 14, 2012

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Chairman Sisk  
Ellen Bathje  
Cynthia Ducak (absent)  
Cheri Dory  
Jill McEvoy  
Rob Gough  
Mike Koeshall (absent)

Meeting called to order at 7:01pm by Chairman Sisk

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Committee Member Ellen Bathje moved to approve the minutes from the June 12, 2012 meeting. Seconded by Committee Member Jill McEvoy – All committee members present voted aye. Motion Carried.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- **Hiller Park Concession stand:** Chairman Sisk reported that Jim Blackowicz has reviewed the Hiller Park concessions stand agreement and made minor changes. She asked him to bring the agreement before the board on Thursday August 16, 2012 in order to have the stand operating as soon as possible as sports organizations have already started. Mr. Blackowicz and his son will be running the concession stand exclusively and will hire individuals to work in the stand.
- **Dug outs:** The improvements to the Hiller Park dug outs went before the Board and were approved on August 2. The Board has asked that Bill Swartzloff look into the weight and how the dug outs are fastened.
- **Eagle Scouts:** While Mr. Swartzloff was on vacation, Chairperson Sisk coordinated Adam Kottke's Eagle Scout project at the boat launch. The project included replacing loose and broken boards leading up to the boat launch as well as in the parking area. The boards were sanded where needed and everything was re-stained. Adam also re-stained the picnic table and the bench. He cleaned the grill with rustolium and repainted it. He also planted some hostas by the sign. This was the second Eagle Scout project completed this year.
- **Field Use Update:** The sports organizations have made successful attempts at keeping cars off Skyhawk lane by utilizing the area on the west side of transportation building. The fencing and dug out have been taken down where the old ball field was located. Bill

Molidor is taking the lead on the project because of his background and knowledge in construction. It's been asked that the Village continue to coordinate all communications.

As stated at the field usage meeting on August 12, Tom Schwartz will be working closely with the group. They will be working on first removing the ball mix, then grading and laying down mix for the football field. This is scheduled for the end August to early September. Mr. Swartz and Dan Johnson will speak to Mr. Kerrigan to get his approval for his classes to work on the parking lot as a project.

- **Maintenance Agreements:** With Ms. Peters help, a maintenance agreement has been put together which includes user fees. The thought is that there should be a per game fee. This needs to be discussed at the next meeting after everyone has had a chance to review the agreement. Johnsbury School will also be approached to have them look over the agreement, review their fees and see if they are on board with a joint agreement.
- **Running Brook Farms Park:** Chairman Sisk was informed that the Association in Running Brook Farms has dissolved and Ms. Peters has not been able to contact the developer. Chairperson Sisk was able to speak with one of the residents in Phase 2 who has agreed to talk with his fellow residents about the park. Chairperson Sisk reported there are more children in Phase 1 than Phase 2. She spoke with approximately 10 residents in Phase 1 to get their input on the park. When discussing if a water pad were added to the park, most were concerned with parking and with others outside the subdivision coming into Running Brook Farms to use their park. All agreed that there should be a shelter for picnics. The Committee recommended that the ideal location for a water pad is Sunnyside Park. They will need to again approach Joe Huemann to see if he is still interested in installing it. The majority of the children in Running Brook Farms are grade school age and the committee decided to start the park small and have it grow with the needs of the community. They talked about putting a ½ basketball court in once children in the area started getting older.
- **Celebration in the Park:** The Committee discussed the upcoming event and reviewed the outstanding items. They will have two meetings in September in order to finalize details for the event.
- **September Meeting:** The September 11 meeting will start at 6:30 at the Village Hall and will move to the Running Brook Farms designated Park area.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

- Committee Member McEvoy moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Committee Member Dory. All committee members present voted aye. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:54 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Marikay Gebis