MEMORANDUM

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| TO: | NJL |
| FROM: | Nelson J Larkins |
| DATE: | March 30, 2023 |
| RE: | **Hunter Road Fields Committee Meeting Minutes 03/30/23** |
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Attendance: Carrie Weeman (Deputy Town Clerk) and Adam Bliss/Town of Freeport. John Egan, Nelson Larkins, Dean Gilbert, Craig Sickles, Peter Wagner, Dave Intraversato, Chris Guerette and Matt Walsh

1. INTRODUCTIONS.
2. spring Schedule (Groups coordinate, then Town keeps schedule) Discussion regarding Town Clerk and Carrie handling process.
3. Tri-Town Little League Update
4. Practice the week before first games.
5. Games will begin on April 23.
6. Freeport United Soccer.
7. Schedule has been sent to the Town Clerk.
8. Start games on April 24.
9. Maine Coast/Freeport High School ultimate frisbee. One or two teams.
10. They will need two fields for a potential tournament which would last from 1-5 on a weekend.
11. If they do practice on weekdays it would be right after school and not conflict with other activities starting at five.
12. Discussion of grass upkeep on fields.
13. Grass is okay in the spring. May need to move the goals for soccer. Always re-seed in the fall. Discussion regarding grass height.
14. Water will be turned on this week.
15. Capital Improvements.
16. Dugouts. Presentation made at Town Council workshop for six new dugouts on the three baseball fields. Total cost approximately $50,000. Proposal is $20,000 plus labor from Tri-Town Little League with Freeport providing $27,000. This would include slabs, frames, roofs, and protective fence. This should be approved as part of the Freeport budget.
17. Maintenance.
18. Discussion regarding repair and maintenance of irrigation system.
19. There was a pumphouse leak that has been fixed.
20. Discussion regarding RSU5 work cutting grass on soccer fields in the fall. Also discussion regarding keeping grass and base pads level at baseball fields.
21. Discussion regarding need to roll the infields and teaching the proper technique for raking to keep the base pad surfaces away from the grass.
22. The raking in the summer is to limit grass growth.
23. It would be a good idea to cut the grass shorter on the infield so the balls roll easier.
24. Update on soccer nets.
25. Four new nets have been installed. They are lighter and easier to move.
26. Update on septic pump burnout and repair.
27. Septic tank has been emptied.
28. Review ongoing issue regarding water pressure and toilets running.
29. Other
30. Sarah Doten from Hunter Road updated on the following:
31. The building needs to be repainted.
32. Baseball scoreboard needs repair or removal from Field 1. Tri-Town is looking at this.
33. Review possible removal of field hockey goals. Freeport High School will review this.
34. Discussion regarding clean up of items on site. There will be an email out to remind everyone to clean up. No waste containers on site except inside the building.
35. Discussion regarding field signs and identification of numbers.
36. Matt Walsh discussed irrigation heads being fixed on the baseball fields. That will be handled by Jason and RSU 5.
37. Sarah discussed cutting the path to Murch Road during the summer .
38. Also discussion regarding dog signage. It was clarified that dogs are never allowed on the fields. They are allowed on the road surfaces and trails.
39. Matt Walsh also noted the Little League will use the fields in three seasons so they do need painted lines on the outfield all three seasons. That will be discussed with Jason and RSU 5.
40. Adjournment

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