# *MEMORANDUM*

*To:* Matthew R. Serakowski, Township Manager

*From:* Gary Schafer, Parks & Forestry Administrator GDS

*Date:* July 17, 2026

*Subject:* PLAYING FIELDS WORK GROUP MEETING

On Friday, July 17, 2026, at 7:30 a.m. in the Municipal Building Training Room, a publicly advertised meeting of the Playing Fields Work Group took place.

The following items were discussed:

1. Boyce Mayview Park
   A. Casey's Clubhouse
      - Discussed the proposed improvements.
      - Discussed the proposed two additional parking lots and a RAD 2027 Capital Grant.

   B. Baseball/Softball/Multipurpose Fields
      - Repair field goal posts on Multipurpose fields. Will complete when weather permits.
      - Discussed future press box/announcers' booth on the multipurpose fields & Softball Field.
      - USCAA football to start August 3rd, request for field lines.
      - Shade structure canopy has been ordered.
      - Discussed adding speakers to the softball field and multipurpose field for announcing games.
      - Discussed the addition of a pathway between baseball and softball fields.
      - New batting mats to be installed in the batting cages.

   C. Community and Recreation Facility
      - Discussed upcoming improvements. Indoor and outdoor projects.
      - Updated the group on the outdoor pool renovations.

2. Morton Fields Complex
      - Discussed the foul ball netting on the Multipurpose Field concession stand parking lot and 4' fence side. We are working on options now. Will be included in the budget for approval. Will have a Teams meeting with USCAA regarding the netting.
      - Discussed the multipurpose fields scoreboards protective netting.
      - Soccer is looking for a field storage box for goal dollies. We need to find a solution for new boxes.

- Build concrete pad soccer goal storage. Late summer/fall.
- Possible wheel kits for soccer goals.
- Build warm-up areas for the batters on both baseball fields.
- Discussed the travel tournaments.
- Field decompaction grooming to be completed by Force Turf.
- Baseball tournament to be completed by July 26th.
- Softball tournament first weekend in August.

3. School District
   A. District Playing Fields
      - No discussion.

   B. High School Campus
      - No Discussion.

4. Township Fields & Facilities
   A. Fields
      - Possible storage area lighting installation at Little Boyce - winter.
      - Discussed the possible future upgrades to Marmion & Founders field lighting to LED/Musco lighting. No change.
      - Municipal basketball courts to be painted week of 7/20/26.
      - Discussion regarding a possible park comp plan in the coming months.

5. Cook School Field
      - No discussion.

6. Beadling Soccer Field
      - No discussion.

7. Other Items

   A. **The next publicly advertised meetings for the Playing Fields Work Group: August 21, 2026; September 18, 2026; October 16, 2026 (at McLaughlin Run Activity Center); November 20, 2026.**

pc: Playing Fields Work Group Member
Mark S. Mansfield, Asst. Twp. Manager; Director of Administration
Richard Botz, Director of Public Works
Chris Biswick, Director of Recreation & Leisure Services

**Playing Fields Work Group Meeting 7/17/2026**

In Attendance:

| Name | Affiliation |
|---|---|
| Gary Schafer | Township |
| Andy Bekich | Township |
| Chris Biswick | Township |
| Ryan Pope | USCAA |
| Mike Ressler | USCAA |
| Erik Lund | USCAA |
| Angela Peterson | USCSD |