



 **CBSL**  
**Colchester Baseball & Softball League**

Welcome to the home of the Colchester Baseball & Softball League  
CBSL is a volunteer run, non-profit organization dedicated to supporting youth baseball and softball within the Colchester, Connecticut community.

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General Meeting  
June 8, 2021  
Abundant Life Church

**Present:** Karen Belding, Greg Vilardo, Tim Chiaverini, Chris Gould, Tim Crowell, Nick Poirier, Andrew Perham, Christine Cerniglia, Rob D'Atri, Donna Antonocci, Margo Gignac

William Kristoff, Rob Hlazyzen

**Absent:** Lisa Cavaliere, Casey O'Neill, Bill Claffey, Bob Crowell

**Field Discussion:** Karen went to the permit meeting. They are taking the opinion that we don't get permits outside our primary season. Karen made it clear to them that tournament time is also part of our primary season. Park & Rec stated that we need to give specific times for our practice / game use. Tiffany said that we wouldn't get Summer or Fall permits at all. Greg made the point that we could just claim a field for practice, and there would be no objection. That would be a temporary solution for the tournaments only.

Tiffany is using public works (Henderson report on irrigation) as an excuse because of the study by them that the fields need to rest.

Chris G. said that it's absurd and it's Tiffany's opinion. Chris G. said that we have to drum up public support.

Karen made a plea that we don't go off as individual committee members because we will get a bad response from the town. We don't want to piss off the Park & Rec.

Tim Crowell said that they are irrigating, he thinks it's silly.

He also commented on Cody Camp batting cage grass being super high, and the port-o-potty stinks badly.

**Treasurer's Report:** Chris - Checking 18108.20, Savings 64,615.44, CD 10,519.96

All major expenditures have been paid, just Minuteman left to pay. Tournament team also needs to be paid.

**Scoreboard:** Chris: Should have been up a long time ago. Couldn't keep beams steady to hold in place. Chris turned the concrete truck around that he ordered. Holes have been filled in on

the softball field. R-2 needs to be hand dug. Both scoreboards should go up at the same time. Welder didn't show up, the town is buying the steel beams and having them welded. Town is paying for everything. Everything should be done this week. Eric Siborg will help install the solar. Electrician will hook up and it will cost about \$1,000.

**Score boards are to be up this week.** If it is not done Chris will resign from the committee.

**Softball update:** Rob - All going well, kids are still playing.

**Baseball update:** Is there a plan for equipment return. Karen recommends on Saturday for the coaches to leave the bags after their games. **Rob and Nick will collect the t-ball bags. Donna and Margo will work on pictures of the kids in their shirts.** Bob Crowell let the kids shave his head for their win.

First practice for the baseball tournament is Sunday night. Tournament schedule it out.

Tim Ch: summer ball situation is sad that the town isn't letting us use the fields as of now. We could possibly use Salem fields. The Colchester minors are doing the tournament team with the Salem minors. Tim recommends continuing a partnership with Salem. **Tim will coordinate with Dave and Bob to open discussions.**

Tournament uniforms have been ordered. Jerseys have to be done for the tournament team, they will cost an extra \$120 for the 12 shirts for the tournament jerseys. Tim will handle the order for parents' shirts. Karen needs names to put charges into the accounts so parents can pay.

**Andrew will send Karen the list of tournament team names.**

**Sponsorships:** Tim - Nothing new; **Donna will work on the facebook promos.** Sponsors banners are agreed to stay up through summer ball and fall ball. If the towns don't allow field use, we need to be transparent with the sponsors regarding that.

**Equipment:** Nick Tuesday the 16th collection at Jack Jacktor

**Fields:** Tim wanted to know about getting orders of fill for the fields. Need to plan ahead. **Sand bags, Chris needs to order.**

**Merchandise:** Where should it be stored? It has been stored in peoples houses/garages. Is this a liability, if something were to happen to it insurance could be an issue. Chris is worried about it being in storage and doesn't want anything to go missing. Margo has an inventory set up in google sheets that shows exactly what is in inventory. **Margo will set up a time with Nick to bring merchandise to Goldi Locks. Will also look into purchasing bunting for R-1**

**Raffle:** \$34,760 profit. All teams and individuals have been contacted and main prizes given out. Rob will get a sweatshirt for the second place winner. Almost all prizes have been given out to the kids winners. The home run derby and all star game went great!

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