



## ***Parks & Recreation Committee - Board of Representatives***

Jim Caterbone, Co-Chair      Marion McGarry, Co-Chair

# **Committee Report**

**Date:** Wednesday, July 22, 2015

**Time:** 6:30 p.m.

**Place:** Democratic Caucus Room, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Government Center,  
888 Washington Boulevard

The Parks & Recreation Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Co-Chair Caterbone and Reps. Briscoe, Heaphy and Pratt. Absent or excused were Reps. DePina, Giordano, Mahoney, McGarry and Ryan. Also present were Al Barbarotta, BOE Facilities; Hugh Murphy, BOE Finance; and Ken Smith, Terry Conners Rink.

Co-Chair Caterbone called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. There being no quorum present, no actions were taken by the Committee. However, in accordance with the Rules of the Board, the Committee heard from invited guests.

<b>Item No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Committee Action</b>
1. <a href="#">PR29.025</a>	RESOLUTION; Approving Fee Increases For Terry Conners Ice Rink. 02/05/15 – Submitted by Jim Hricay 02/26/15 – No action taken 03/26/15 – Held in Committee (public hearing held) 04/30/15 – Held in Committee 05/21/15 – Held in Committee 06/25/15 – No action taken	<b>No Action Taken</b>

### *Secondary Committee: Cost Savings & Revenue Enhancement*

2. <a href="#">PR29.027</a>	RESOLUTION; Establishing Fees For Summer Camp Programs. 02/05/15 – Submitted by Jim Hricay 02/26/15 – No action taken 03/26/15 – Held in Committee (public hearing held) 04/30/15 – Held in Committee 05/21/15 – Approved by Committee, as Amended 06/01/15 – Returned to Committee by full Board for public hearing 06/25/15 – Public Hearing held	<b>No Action Taken</b>
-----------------------------	--	------------------------

*Secondary Committee: Cost Savings & Revenue Enhancement*

3. [PR29.028](#) RESOLUTION; Concerning Recreation Program Fees. **No Action Taken**
- 02/05/15 – Submitted by Jim Hricay
  - 02/26/15 – No action taken
  - 03/26/15 – Held in Committee (public hearing held)
  - 04/30/15 – Held in Committee
  - 05/21/15 – Approved by Committee, as Amended
  - 06/01/15 – Returned to Committee by full Board for public hearing
  - 06/25/15 – Public Hearing held

*Secondary Committee: Cost Savings & Revenue Enhancement*

- <sup>1</sup>4. PR29.033 REVIEW; Board of Education Operating budget dedicated to maintenance and upkeep of Athletic Fields at Stamford Public School locations and payments received for use of fields in 2014. **Report Made**
- 06/09/15 – Submitted by Rep. Caterbone

Mr. Barbarotta explained the fees charged by the Board of Education for field use.

- The Board of Education tries to make their facilities available to everyone, and charges fees to organizations that make money off of the facilities.
- The Board of Education tries to make facilities available to Stamford youth organizations at no cost whenever possible.
- They will only charge to be reimbursed the cost when custodian overtime is required.
- If an organization is charging, then they will charge a user fee.
- They will never take a facility away from a youth league.
- The Parks & Recreation does charge, these fees go back to the general fund
- Last year they collected total of \$36,000 for field use; the fields are not a money maker
- The City prepares the Stamford High Field for use by Babe Ruth on weekends
- They try to make their fields available to everyone
- Chelsea Piers has asked to use the Strawberry Hill field for the same hours as last year (one hour) They charged them a higher rate. They will not kick off a youth league for Chelsea Piers to use a field
- Commercial groups get charged an hourly rate

Co-Chair Caterbone adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

This meeting is on [video](#).

---

<sup>1</sup> Video Time Stamp 00:02:02