

## **Some City Facilities and Resources Utilized by School District**

*(Prepared for the purpose of demonstrating the collaboration of the agencies for the benefit of the taxpayers.)*

### **Bryan Field – School District Property**

Maintained by the City at annual cost of \$3600 +/-  
(fertilizer, aerate, mow, water, labor)  
Site improvements installed by City exceed \$10,000

### **Person Field – School District Property**

Utilities paid by City at annual cost of \$2,030

### **Bluegrass Park – City Property**

LCHS Disc Golf – No Fee

### **Cherry Hill Park – City Property**

School District Cross County Meets – No Fee  
CdA High School Disc Golf – No Fee  
School District Field Trips – No Fee

### **City Park – City Property**

School District Field Trips – No Fee  
School District End of Year Picnics – No Fee

### **McEuen Park – City Property**

JV & Varsity Baseball – No Fee  
School District Field Trips – No Fee  
School District End of Year Picnics – No Fee

### **Northshire Park – City Property**

LCHS Horseshoe Pits – No Fee

### **Ramsey Park – City Property**

School District Softball Tournaments – No Fee  
JV & Varsity Baseball ???  
School District Field Trips – No Fee  
School District Tennis Tournaments – No Fee

### **Tubbs Hill – City Property**

School District Cross Country – No Fee

### **Winton Park – City Property**

School District Horseshoe Pits – No Fee

### **Trails /Atlas, Prairie, Centennial – City Property**

School District Cross County Meets/Practices – No Fee  
Woodland Middle School/weekly (50+students) – No Fee

City staff administers (fee collection, t-shirt order, registration, gym monitoring, gym cleanup) for the following and City receives 20% of fees/S.D. receives 80%:

- 2009 CHS VBall Camp (City remitted \$1204 of fees back to S.D.)
- 2010 CHS Boys BBall Camp (City remitted \$860 of fees back to S.D.)
- 2010 LCHS Girls BBall Camp (City remitted \$608 of fees back to S.D.)
- 2010 CHS VBall Camp (City remitted \$1495 of fees back to S.D.)
- 2011 LCHS Girls BBall Camp (City remitted \$624 of fees back to S.D.)
- 2011 CHS VBall Camp (City remitted \$840 of fees back to S.D.)
- 2012 LCHS Girls BBall Camp (City remitted \$540 of fees back to S.D.)
- 2012 CHS VBall Camp (City remitted \$1356 of fees back to S.D.)

City staff cleans Woodland #2 2X/week

Water Department provided School District \$15,000 to upgrade the sprinkler systems at ~~Canfield~~ and Woodland Middle Schools saving the district approximately \$3000.00 a year while mutually benefiting the utility.

City hosts the annual Ironman Event distributing nearly \$50,000 to School District activities since 2003 from the Ironman Community Fund.

Numerous public safety resources shared with School District

See Memo dated Sept. 6, 2012 from Steve Anthony, City Recreation Director to Wendell Wardell which provides an excellent history of prior collaborative efforts between the two agencies.

TO: WENDELL WARDELL  
FROM: STEVE ANTHONY  
SUBJECT: SCHOOL DISTRICT & CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE  
DATE: September 6, 2012

Wendell,

I have been asked by Mayor Bloem and City Administrator Wendy Gabriel to prepare a memorandum regarding the history and cooperation between the city and the school district.

I have put together this memo and attached a spread sheet from February of 2012 that contains the fees other cities in the northwest pay the school district for using their gyms. I understand you have reached a new agreement with the City of Hayden and their fee has increased by \$500.00.

The city and school district have worked on several projects that have benefited the citizens of the school district. We are one of the few communities where the district and city cooperate and partner on building facilities.

Since 1993 the city has reimbursed the school district \$923,000. to enlarge gymnasiums and provide amenities (bleachers, scoreboards, volleyball equipment, restrooms and storage) for school district and Recreation Department activities

The breakdown is as follows:	Fernan Elementary	\$207,000
	Woodland Middle	\$386,000
	Skyway Elementary	\$180,000
	Project CDA	\$150,000

When Lake City High School was being constructed the school district was short 10 acres for the construction of outdoor facilities. I was the city representative on the building committee. I came up with the idea that the city could trade our interest in the 10 acres that surrounded the proposed Lake City High School. In exchange the city would receive Person Field and long term use of outdoor facilities at Lake City High School. What the

city actually received was one half of Persons and an agreement to use Lake City High outdoor facilities. The District kept one half of Persons. City staff was told that the district had to have so many acres of outdoor space in order to retain state certification for Lakes Middle School and that Person is part of that equation. The City conceded on that issue and settled on one half of the field. The City also worked with Greenstone Corporation to provide the \$50,000 parking lot at Lake City for the soccer fields. The City has not used the outdoor facilities at Lake City High School.

The city also installed the irrigation system, graded and seeded the School District outdoor facility at Canfield Middle School. In return we received an agreement to use outdoor facilities at Canfield, which we have never exercised.

The city has also purchased the basketball scoreboards at Skyway, Ramsey, Fernan, Woodland #2 and Project CDA. The city purchased the glass backboards at Lakes Middle School. The city also purchased new floor mats for Woodland and Project CDA.

The Recreation Department divides the teams up by schools so they can practice at their local elementary school. When a district gym is used the city provides an onsite supervisor, who unlocks the gym, supervises the activity and cleans up the gym after use.

The city provides the district use of Ramsey and Sunset Parks for their softball programs. The City also provides McEuen for baseball. The city hosts the Girl's High School State Fastpitch Tournament every other year at Ramsey Park. The city prepares the fields for all high school baseball and softball games.

Recently the city through the Arts Commission purchased a sculpture bike rack for Sorensen Elementary.

The city and school district had a joint use agreement allowing exchange of facility use with no charge to either party. The term was from 1997 to 2007. This agreement has allowed the city to improve our programs by offering more games and practice in the children's programs.

In 2007 the district and city started negotiations on a new agreement. Troy Tymesen and I met with Steve Briggs and Brian Martin on several

occasions. An agreement was eventually reached. The city had agreed to pay the district \$30,000 a year and in exchange the city would receive a secondary use and separate use agreements on two new elementary school gyms the district was planning on constructing over the next 10 years. The agreements would be similar to the one just completed regarding use of Project CDA. Also the district agreed to extend the existing 40 year agreements for Fernan, Skyway, Project and Woodland an extra 10 years after the existing agreements had expired. The city would share 5% of the net profit derived from indoor Skyhawk's Camps with the district.

Troy and I left the meeting and had our legal staff prepare the documents. The documents were sent to the district with the provisions agreed to. After about 6 months Steve Briggs contacted me and informed me that the district had some issues with the agreement as written. They no longer thought there would be two gyms constructed. The district would only agree to one gym and had decided not to extend the other joint use gym agreements the additional 10 years.

I asked him if he was going to reduce the fee and he said no that they wanted the money (\$30,000 per year) up front to help pay wages for maintenance staff.

Negotiations continued for 2 years. Finally Dave Patzer from the Parks and Recreation Commission, Troy Tymesen, Steve Briggs, Brian Martin, and I met to finalize the agreement. The city conceded on the 2<sup>nd</sup> gym and the 10 year extensions. Dave Patzer asked what happens, if the district does not build a gym in the first 6 years. After a long discussion between all parties it was agreed on that the district and city would enter into an agreement for use of the Ramsey School Gym. The agreement would be similar to the ones with Skyway and Project.

Our legal staff drew up the new agreements with a penalty, that the district would reimburse the city if they broke the agreement before the 10 year period. After meeting with Steve Briggs we removed that clause. He felt that it had taken three years to negotiate this one.

After another 6 months of no movement, that is when I asked you to meet with Hazel. We currently have an agreement in place that does not expire until 2019. It is what was agreed on after the Mayor met with Hazel. It was signed by Eddie Brooks and Mayor Bloem. The city paid the district

\$60,000 the first year of the contract, because of the years that had passed negotiating the contract. Since then city has paid an additional \$60,098, for a total of 120,098.

I do not believe we should reopen negotiations. The city operated in good faith.

In September of 2011 the city made a request to use Sorensen and was told that the Boys and Girls Club had been scheduled to use the Sorensen Gym. Under the terms of the agreement the city is to have first use. Staff met with Steve Briggs regarding this issue. He informed us that the district had recently signed an agreement with the Boys and Girls Club for use of Sorensen. He requested that the city release their use of Sorensen to allow the Boys and Girls Club to use the facility. Again we compromised and released our use of the gym.

When this agreement was approved the city was using much more gymnasium time. The Recreation Department does not use Sorensen, Winton, Bryan and Borah. The department in 2009 moved all the Skyhawk's Camps except basketball to Ramsey Park.

I have the information you requested regarding the Skyhawk's. I would like to meet with you in person and go over the details.

Steve Anthony

Recreation Director