

Iron Range Maidens
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July 27
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Coleraine, MN
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July 15, 2019

Administration

OLD BUSINESS

- The 2019-2020 lease with ISD 316 is \$42,500 for use of the arena, and \$7,500 for use of the ball fields.
- The IRRRB required matching funds for the arena upgrades will be partly met with a \$10,000 grant from Blandin Foundation.
- Accounting from a successful Summer Hockey Camp is in process.

NEW BUSINESS

- Adopted revision of the joint powers agreement after the third reading; a statute typo error was corrected, and signatory procedures on checks were expanded.
- Signed Agreed Upon Procedures with the firm of Glorvigen Tierney Lind & Co., to conduct Annual Reviews rather than the previous practice of biennial audits. Direct questions to Treasurer Kessler.
- Sent a letter to Itasca Soil & Water Conservation Department in support of Coleraine's stormwater retrofit project--it

includes action on property owned by the arena. Here is the [LETTER AND MAP](#).

Activities

- Ball tournaments were held for both the Little Raiders and Squirts at Greenway Sports Complex.
- Iron Range Maidens' bout against the Dirty Ores was on Saturday July 27 at the arena.

Webpage updates:

- New GJRA Joint Powers Agreement 2019
- New photos of Greenway Sports Complex; notice BBQ grill for concessions.
- New photo of meeting space in arena.

June 17, 2019

Business

- Received \$47,412 from IRRRB for arena upgrades; requires 50/50 matching funds; additional grants are being applied for.
- Signed Letter of Support to designate Mount Itasca as a Park of Regional Significance; City of Coleraine and Itasca County have also signed Letters of Support. With the designation, Mount Itasca will gain access to 'Legacy Funds' for critical site projects and programs.

- Increased cost of school lease with ISD 316 by \$2500 to account for electricity increases; mutually accepted.
- Transferred budgeted funds to Taconite American Legion team.
- Renewed commitment to be fiscal agent for Itasca Synchronized Swimming Club.

Activities

- Received and are in process of installing dust/wind screens on the Jen Goyer Field dugouts; funding was via Jen Goyer Memorial Fund.



Ball programs teams are:

- 6 T-ball
- 5 Squirts
- 4 Little Raiders
- 1 Junior Raiders
- 1 each of 10U (in photo), 12U, 14U, and 16-18 U in fastpitch

Hockey Camp had 178 players.

Other use of the summer ice (June 10-28) was

- Camp Hiawatha
- 6th Annual Alumni Hockey Fundraiser
- Grand Rapids - Greenway Lightning Team
- Emerald Ice Figure Skating Club

Webpage updates:

- [Baseball](#)
- [Fastpitch](#)
- [Hockey](#)
- [Ice Figure Skating](#)

May 20, 2019; No report.

April 15, 2019

Activities

- Seasonal delays for field maintenance; ball program registration in process; tournament dates set.
- Post Prom party was held in arena lobby;
- Roller Derby first tournament is May 18th.
- Hockey Camp and Ice Skating Classes have been organized and publicized for June 10-28.



Administration

- Considering \$10,000 request to Itasca Ski & Outing Club/Mount Itasca;
- Completed third reading of revised joint powers agreement;
- Exploring Cities & Towns Accounting Software provided State Auditor;
- Completing IRRRB grant request and anticipating award in May; budgeting for matching funds of approximately \$50,000.
- Tabled Sports Complex parking lot expansion to undefined future.

March 18, 2019

Foundation successes:





Mission Accomplished: "Annual ice show was Outstanding!"

Greenway Joint Recreation Joint Powers Agreement - Corrected citation of statutes and conducted second reading of revision.

Resolution to Accept Funds - passed consent to receive IRRRB funds for arena upgrades. The grant is in process.

Spring/Summer Ball Programs - Scheduling will be completed by the end of April.

Greenway Sports Complex - spring maintenance includes

- fertilizing the fields,
- completing installation/programming the irrigation controls,
- adding agri-lime to the Windorski Field,

researching for a portable sound system, and possibly expanding the parking lot.

ARENA

- **Party Rental:** Two graduations are booked for this spring.
- **Summer Ice:** June 10 - 28 are the times for the Greenway Summer Hockey School and Ice Figure Skating Lessons.

January and February, 2019

Sports Programs:

- BASKETBALL tournaments and the season is over. The program's emphasis was on learning the fundamentals and Coach Gould was impressed with the great strides made over the season.

- FIGURE SKATERS had to cancel a testing event because of the weather, but successfully tested at other locations. The annual show will be March 16-17, and the arena's ice removed thereafter.

- HOCKEY season went on without glitches between players/coaches/parents. Games were good with the Bantam B and Peewee A teams qualifying for the regional tournaments.

- BASEBALL boosters are looking ahead and desiring a portable sound system.

- SKIING at Mount Itasca was reported on in accordance with GJRA's financial support.

- ROBOTICS continued to promote their program and support with a demonstration; reported GHRA's \$400 contribution went for tools.



Administration:

- Dan Andrews is a new board member representing Marble.
- New entryway rugs were purchased and the former lease/cleaning agreement cancelled.
- IRRRB (Chris Ismil) will be assisting Director Guyer with grantwriting for the East Walkway Arena project. The low bid to replace the wood floor with concrete was from Hawk Construction for \$71,100.
- Concession sales have been on track.
- Policy on school closures was reviewed: no official practices may be scheduled when school is closed because of the weather.

NEW on this website: Archived GJRA business posted from the previous two years: [AUGUST 2017 - JULY 2018 PDF](#) & [JUNE 2016 - JULY 2017 PDF](#)

Link update: [Grand Rapids - Greenway FIRST Robotics on facebook](#)

Webpage update: [Ice Figure Skating](#)

December 17, 2018



Congratulations to Greenway Peewee Hockey Champions of the Dean Rajala Memorial tournament held December 14-16.

Listened to a presentation by the Grand Rapids-Greenway FIRST Robotics team and then committed to give a contribution in support.

Waiting for final quotes to upgrade the east alley of the arena (grant application), and also a quote on security cameras.

Other arena upgrades on the GJRA wishlist:

- bathrooms
 - locker room floor
 - garage electrification
 - cleaning equipment
 - lobby floor
 - ADA accessible front doors
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November 19, 2018

Youth sports programs:

- Ice Figure Skating, Hockey, and Basketball are progressing on track.

Improvements:

- The new sound system is installed and paid for--thanks in part to the high school league grant gained by Athletic Director Mell.
- Grant/funding inquiries continue for a project (fall 2019) to replace the wood floor boards with concrete on the upper eastside of the arena.

Changes:

- Concession management is successfully transitioning from manager Barb Nelson to Lauren Larson and Rebecca Walker.
- Annual fundraising for Greenway Sports Complex will offer a cash raffle; 10 prizes will be awarded for a total of \$5000. The Trout Lake fishing contest was discontinued based on the unavailability of the old fire hall.

Webpage updates:

- [Flag Football](#)
- [Hockey](#)
- [Ice Figure Skating](#)
- [Basketball](#)



October 15, 2018

- Basketball registration is underway; Tina Gould is the coordinator.
- Flag Football was complicated by rainy weather.
- Rainy weather also postponed grounds maintenance at the sports complex but winterization of the concession building was completed.
- Ice was in on October 8; the ceiling heaters on the west side of the arena were installed, and the heaters on the east side were raised to improve viewing. The new sound system is scheduled to be completed by the end of the month.
- A collage memorial to Beefy Lawson was designed in a shadowbox, and installed next to the arena's concession window.
- The lease agreement with ISD #316 to use GJRA facilities was renewed without changes.
- A 1/2 page ad was authorized for the Greenway High School yearbook.

September 17, 2018

Sports Complex

COMPLETED BEFORE WINTER: An 8' x 20' pump house for an irrigation system, with equipment storage for the fastpitch programs. Funds were received through the advertising campaign and a \$1000 contribution from the Beefy Lawson Memorial Fund. The fall weed & feed applications were spread.



Arena

SOUND SYSTEM UPGRADE: A replacement of the +20 year audio system will improve the sound with [OctaSound](#) emanating from the center of the arena. The quote with installation is \$12,820 with the majority of funds coming from the high school league grant gained by Athletic Director Mell.

ICE IN: Ice goes in October 8.

August 20, 2018

Arena Improvements

Completed:



Thanks to Andersen Glass for their glass donation and funding through the high school league via Athletic Director Mell. The expanded viewing area is especially appreciated by Senior citizens.

Completed:

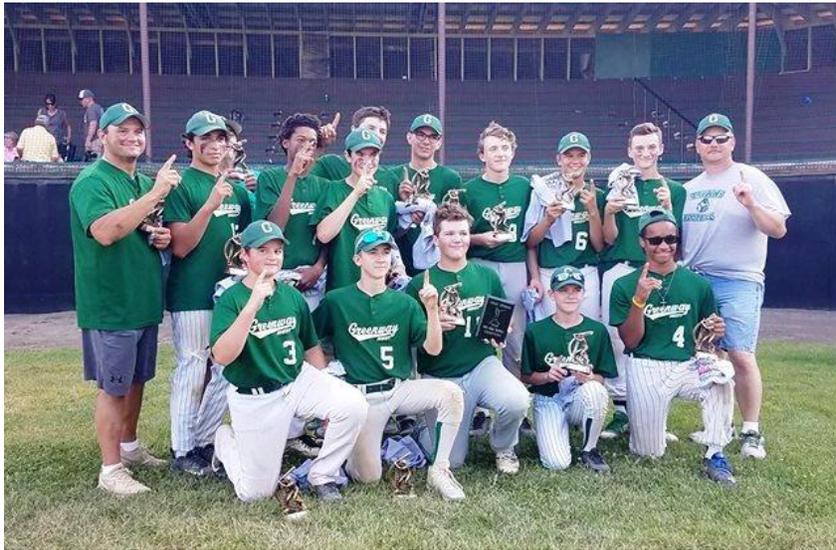


Nielson Builders expanded the upper walkway on the west side. The wider aisle will be less congested and be more safe.

See GJRA Business from May 21: The ceiling heaters on the east side will be installed the first week of September, and a meeting was conducted with the folks from IRRRB -- the application for their Culture & Tourism Grant is due September 30.

Youth Programs

Summer ball games: the Coleraine team won the Squirts tournament, the Bovey team won the Little Raiders tournament, and the Greenway Raider Juniors are the 2018 Champions of the Iron Range Baseball Tournament:



New Sports Seasons: Flag Football begins September 10, Hockey registration is online and in process, and Figure Skating registrations is September 18 -19.

Administration

Richard (Woody) Woodman resigned as treasurer after more than twenty-five years of service. Dwight Kessler was appointed treasurer.

Annual elections were held and Casey Venema was elected president, Carissa Nelson, vice president.

Premiums for employees' health insurance will be the same rate in 2019.

The 2018-2019 budget was approved at \$463,300. It was adjusted to accommodate an increase in monthly MN Power electricity charges, The levy for 2019 (for fiscal year 2019-2020) increased by \$17,700 to cover increased MN Power charges* and savings for capital improvements.

**A thorough examination of electric usage was conducted over several years and only a modest increase was determined; it is the service charges that increased resulting in a budgeted amount of \$7000 per month.*

July 16, 2018

Support Community Youth Sports - GJRA contributed \$4000 to upgrade the 70 meter ski jump at Mount Itasca.

Build Capital Improvement Fund - A proposed levy increase of 3% (\$8850) will grow to support arena safety upgrades to the roof, walkways, and bleachers. State funding is also being explored. A meeting with legislators and IRRRB is planned for August.

Apply Hockey League Grant - Watch for 4-6 large tempered glass windows overlooking the rink from the lobby; thanks to Greenway HS Athletic Director Dan Mell's initiative to acquire funds.

Ponder Sports Complex Fundraiser - The annual fishing contest does not appear feasible without access to the old Coleraine fire hallwhich is currently being rented to Roto Rooter.