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West Islip Public Schools

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Buildings & Grounds Committee Meeting

Date: September 20, 2022
Time: Prior to the Planning Session
Location: Beach Street Middle School

Discussion Items

1. Construction project update
2. Window A/C units at elementary schools and district-wide A/C
3. Portable field lights requested by WI Soccer Club
4. School property fence lines and neighbor requests
5. WI Bicentennial Fair – Insurance issues and future plans

Informational Items

The HS pool was drained and filled this August in time for the preseason practices. While being filled, the SCWA municipal “street” water supply became very dirty due to neighborhood hydrant testing/flushing and other off-site construction issues. This caused the pool water to become very brown and unclear. We successfully filtered, cleaned, backwashed and treated the water to get it clear for the season. Since then, the chemical readings have been excellent all month and the SCDOH has determined the pool and water safe and clean for occupancy based on a 9/14 inspection. However, there is occasionally a greenish tint that seems to be present that some people have expressed concern over. We frequently backwash the pool and also have some success treating it with an “iron out” product, but we also suspect that the liner might have become a bit stained or tinted. We won’t know if this is the case until we drain the pool again in a few months, as is required by SCDOH 2x per year. Additionally, we still have some bubble areas and lifting under the liner in some places with a combination of air and/or water under the liner. We and other professionals believe this is due to various tiny leaks in the supply system from within the old gutters and original concrete embedded piping. We will continue to monitor, maintain and treat the pool water to keep conditions safe for swimmers.