

## Swansson Fields Invest Committee

Reminder:

Tues. April 2, 6:30pm MinnWest Tech. Campus (green building) **One hour meeting.**

I've attached design strategies from Parks and Recreation Master Plan 9/11/14.

Agenda:

-update on legislature changes

-brainstorming activity

**\*\*Your homework is: Think outside the box; think for the next 20 years; think as though there is no limit to money. What would your dream be for each of the fields and buildings?**

**4/2/19: BRAINSTORM ACTIVITY**  
**NOTES ARE UNDER EACH CATEGORY**  
**FOR IMPROVEMENTS AT SWANSSON FIELDS.**

**Red:** (has 2 porta potties now) has 60 foot bases

**Yellow:** lights spark at base of lights

**Green:** (turn into grass infield)

**ALL SOFTBALL FIELDS:**

fencing: 11

drainage: 111

covered dugouts: 11

crowned infield:

restrooms:

resurface dirt and outfield:

move outfield fences: 11

fix warning track

new benches and level the dugout areas

wind screens (for all dugouts)

scoreboard/timer: 11

update agrilime

backstops: 1

**Blue:**

tilt/rotate for sun issues: 11

grass infield: 111111

scoreboard: 1111

fences

drainage: 1111

dugouts: 1111

covered dugouts

turf infield: 111111

fence pushed out: 111111

slab for bleachers (then move Orange bleachers to Blue)

grandstand covered seating for fans

pegs at 75-90 feet

lights

new seating

**Orange:**

turf: 11

New/updated dugouts: 111

bullpen areas

pull in fence in LF and RF to 325: 1111

less foul territory

grandstand/concessions

concession stand: 11

resurface IF and OF (similar to Dassel)

concessions like Minnewaska

lower fences down OF foul line

berm down foul lines

shorten up backstop

retaining wall

batting cage under grandstand

make better use of under grandstand (ie: storage, concession stand, safety space)

bathrooms: 11

seating

parking

official's booth

drainage (OF has clay and sod): 11

bleachers

net backstop

wrap around concession stand (similar to Cold Spring)

storage garage: 111

press box: 11

stadium: 11

stadium seating 500 with roof

update agrilime

berm 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> and behind home base

new press box on stadium

**Plaza/playground:**

pavilion by play-ground

indoor area

plaza doubling as a concession for tournaments

protected playground

between Red and Yellow

playground equipment

some sort of pole in the center with a net over the top to protect kids from foul balls

\$100,000 for playground

overhead shelter

near softball fields

**Concession Stand**

concessions can view Blue and Orange

parking pad for concessions between yellow and red

attached to dugout on Orange (similar to Minnewaska on first base side

view of field – wrap around

bathrooms part of building

storage garage

useable near baseball games

trailer vs permanent

**Bathroom**

family bathroom

unisex

baby station

centrally located north Swansson Fields

fix brown building restroom

add additional restrooms

based on seating

probably as big as Baker's restrooms

### **Parking lots**

2 entrances (one for Orange and Blue and one for softball): 11  
parking closer to Blue  
road to enter from 18<sup>th</sup> St.: 11  
change entry and exit  
parking size  
based on people using facilities  
more parking away from foul ball territory (Orange in particular)

### **Layout of the complex**

#### **Other Ideas:**

walking paths to all fields  
add a baseball diamond north of Baker Field (near skate park)  
remove trailer house

#### **Things to do for next meeting:**

Eric Banks: prices on scoreboards; tin roof costs; flip Blue paperwork from previous work; road off 18<sup>th</sup> St. SW from previous work; railroad provisions that we need to be aware of.

Fields used by:

Baker/games only: Stingers, HS, Ridgewater, Rails, Legion, VFW, 15U

Orange/games and practice: Stingers, HS, Ridgewater, Rails, Legion, VFW, 15U

Blue:

HS:

Next meeting: Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup> 6:00-8:00pm MinnWest Tech. campus