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TO: Farmbrook Residents

FROM: Ed McLaughlin, Highway/Parks Supt.

SUBJECT: Farmbrook Park Inquiries

DATE: August 16, 2010

There have been inquiries recently concerning the "Project" at Farmbrook Park. A project schedule was submitted to the Homeowner's Association for inclusion into the spring newsletter.

Projects scheduled were: Mill and Fill for Oatfield and Hayride Drives. The Milling has been completed and Filling is projected for the 19th – 24th of August. Cornfield Circle and Limestone Lane are scheduled to receive a process known as "Cape Seal". A Chip Seal layer will be applied followed by a Slurry Seal. At this time the projected date is mid-September. Traffic will be restricted. More information will be provided at a later date.

The Farmbrook Park is under construction for upgrading the Parking Lot and Playground areas. This is a Capital Project to bring the Park up to the standards of safety and aesthetically pleasing ambience we hold the other Town Parks to.

In addition to the above statement, other factors are: With the Swings halfway across the Park, the Parents cannot monitor their children at 2 different places.

This Park has been extremely limited in its use in rotation and availability for a number of years due to the fact parking was limited and no more than 25 people were allowed to utilize this Park.

The Town of Farmington has been designated as an MS-4 Community. Federal EPA Phase II Clean Water Act and the

NYSDEC has put the Town under the purview of a State Pollution Elimination Discharge Permit. It has become incumbent upon the Town to monitor, control and cleanup storm water within the Town. The Parking Lot will double in size from the 25 or less cars it could Park to 50 +/- . The Lot will be pervious concrete which will store runoff in its base and meter it out to the Bio Retention Facility East of the Pavilion.

The “Greening” of the Town’s infrastructure will be a show case of some of the latest technology available and the finished product will be something the Community will be proud of.

There will be new and increased lighting (Dark Sky Compliant) to make the area safer and hopefully control much of the vandalism that has been going on for a number of years there.

The Town would like to request the support of the Residents in the area to call 911 in the event they notice illicit activity in the Park including motorized equipment. The Town will prosecute.

The basketball court is being expanded and a fence will be installed around it as the Budget allows. The ball diamond will also be upgraded and possibly soccer fields incorporated in the near future.

Concerning the closure and activity or lack thereof, the Department of Health deemed the Park not suitable for the summer recreation program and the Town Board ordered the Park to be closed.

While the Department was waiting for the State to put a Budget in place, we started construction of the Bio Retention Facility and underground utility work. The old pool was found to be in the foot print of the Parking Lot and had to be dealt with in a manner that would not compromise the Facility.

Unfortunately, timing is everything. We are into the high season of our road work and its limited season and with the late Budget from the State, it has put construction of the Park on a filler basis. Hopefully within the next 3 or 4 weeks, the Department will have a crew available to continue the work.

I am sorry for any inconvenience this Project has caused and it appears likely that the Park will remain closed for the rest of the year. However, I am confident you residents will have a Facility in your neighborhood that you can be proud of and take ownership of.