

Myrtle/Edgar Fields

March 7, 2023

At last night's meeting, the Borough took its first steps toward the complete renovation and turfing of Edgar Field. This action was made possible by the \$2 million in State funds that were earmarked for this project during last year's State budget process. Construction is expected to commence this Summer and is likely to take up to four months.

Edgar Field is a vital Borough asset and it is our expectation that this renovation will transform this crucial yet underutilized space into a vibrant park that will enhance the surrounding neighborhood and significantly improve the outdoor landscape of our National Blue Ribbon School, Edgar Middle School.

As you may remember, the Borough also received an \$800,000 federal grant for the renovation of the Edgar parking lot in 2021. However, disbursement of federal monies take much longer than State funds to be received by local governments.



December 21, 2022

Game on! Excited to announce that the new winter hockey rink has been assembled in the Myrtle-Charles Park parking lot for a record number 150 kids who have signed up for the [Metuchen Floor Hockey League](#) this year. The first games are scheduled to begin on Saturday morning, January 7.

To sign up your second grade through ninth grade child for this special opportunity, click on: <https://docs.google.com/.../1FAIpQLScKsj9f4Sx.../viewform...>
Game on!



November 15, 2022

At tonight's meeting, the Borough Council approved the purchase of portable outdoor hockey rink boards and safety nets so that the Metuchen Floor Hockey League can safely play its games in the Charles Field complex.

Last year, a group of parent volunteers made local headlines when they worked together to construct wooden boards from scratch in just one day. Their hard work enabled 125 or so of our kids to throw on sweatshirts and play outdoors when the pandemic might have otherwise cancelled their season.

These efforts and the overall success of the season inspired us to look into a more permanent solution for the future and we couldn't be more excited for the upcoming season, which is scheduled to begin in January!

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August 2, 2022

Great meeting today at Edgar Middle School where school officials and we hosted Speaker Craig J. Coughlin and our 18th District Legislators, Assemblyman Robert Karabinchak and Assemblyman Sterley Stanley to discuss the State's \$2 million allocation for our proposed improvements to Edgar Field.



June 29, 2022

Earlier today, I received a phone call from Governor Phil Murphy informing me that Metuchen will be receiving \$2 million in State funds for a complete renovation and turfing of Edgar Field. Our Borough Administration has been working hard to help us reclaim this vital and underutilized recreation asset for our residents and we are thrilled to begin planning this exciting project.

Special thanks to our State Legislators, Senator Patrick Diegnan, Assemblyman Robert Karabinchak and Assemblyman Sterley Stanley for their help in making our request a reality. Also, a special thank you to Assembly Speaker Craig Coughlin who was instrumental in getting this important project into this year's State budget.



June 4, 2022

Big crowd for the first event at the newly renovated Myrtle Field! 🍷🐾



June 3, 2022

We are incredibly excited to announce that we will be opening our new Myrtle Field with a ribbon cutting on Saturday at 5:30pm, right before the Metuchen High School baseball team's senior night game which is scheduled to begin under the lights at 7pm.

We hope you can join us for this momentous occasion and then stay to root for our Bulldogs on senior night!

May 25, 2022

Almost ready to go at Myrtle Field. Opening expected on Saturday, June 4th and we can hardly wait!



March 10, 2022

You may not realize it yet but the passage of this appropriations bill by the United States Senate this evening has major implications for Metuchen. The bill, which is expected to be signed by the President early next week, includes a line-item for \$800,000 for the redesign, improvement and paving of our Edgar Middle School parking lot that is also shared by the Metuchen Municipal Pool.

Metuchenites are all too familiar with the terrible condition of the Edgar lot and I just got off the phone with our Congressman Frank Pallone Jr. to thank him for his work on behalf of the Borough. Congressman Pallone and his staff know how much this project means to us and they worked very hard to ensure that it was included in the final version of the bill.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2022/03/10/us/politics/senate-spending-bill-approved.html?referringSource=articleShare&fbclid=IwAR2SfiXXIlg9OGdfDIFEpNoyzhvWoZPsy0hrjDf4gyWdxDahyd6EnYxFc9M>

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The work on Myrtle Field continues. The new lights have already been installed and the turf is being removed.

