

Murrysville Community Park Update as of July 12, 2006

Murrysville Community Park is currently under construction for Phase 1 and in the planning stages for future development for the rest of Phase 1 plus Phase 2. The length of time it will take to develop the plans will depend on funding via grants, naming rights, community donations and municipal funding.

Four fields in Phase 1 are completed and will be ready for play (weather dependent) in the spring of 2007. Limited activity will occur this fall. Phase 1 (sports fields) plans for the design and location of pavilions, bathrooms, concession stands, play structures and a walking trail need to be completed. In the future additional fields may be in the planning. Glenn Engineering (municipal consultant) and Murrysville staff along with the Parks and Recreation Commission will be working on these amenities once the issues to bring water and sewer to the park are resolved.

Phase 2 will serve the many other municipal recreational needs based on the study completed in 2000 (Murrysville Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan) plus other surveys conducted by the Parks and Recreation Commission in recent years. Environmental Planning and Design was hired by Council earlier this summer to complete Phase 2 site planning. The plans are currently being revised by EPD under the guidance of a citizens' steering committee appointed by Council. Currently on the web is the preliminary site plan for Phase 2 that is under discussion and for which the public gave input via survey until July 3. Revised site plans based on these comments will be presented to Council in September.

PARK TOUR: Although the park is not open to the public at this time, you can view the park from the road. For a park tour, visit Community Day on Saturday, August 26 and take the tour bus from in front of the Murrysville Municipal Building (tour times: 1:00, 2:30 and 4:00 pm).

DIRECTIONS: from Old William Penn Highway and School Road (Franklin Regional School Complex): Go north on School Road, turn right onto Windover; bear right onto Cherry Drive, turn right onto Hills Church Road, turn left onto Wiestertown Road, go through the intersection of Evans/Bollinger Roads and Wiestertown. The park is on the north and south side of Wiestertown. You can see the Wetland Education Area on the south side and the fields under construction on the north side. Plans are underway.

CURRENT SITE PLAN MAP – check the homepage to find a link to the map.