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Subject: ORAC

Greetings Town Board Members and fellow committee members,

First and foremost, I would like to thank all of the members of the committee for taking the time to attend our meeting last night. Admittedly, the meeting was very lengthy but I believe the effort and time was worth it.

For the Town Board members this shall serve as notice that an official meeting of ORAC was held last night, (Sept, 14) at 7:30 PM in Town Hall for the primary purpose of discussing the attached "Field Use Policy for Orangetown". Attached for your review and records are the following documents; meeting notice, draft minutes (until we hold our next meeting, we cannot finalize our minutes) and the proposed field use policy which a majority of the committee voted in favor of last night.

A list of the organizations and their representatives are noted within the attached minutes. I am happy to report, that of the 11 organizations invited to attend 9 were present and 2 submitted their vote in absentia, the specifics of the voting are noted in the minutes. After a very lengthy debate, over not just the residency rate but the actual policy, I am very pleased to report that 9 of the 11 organizations voted in favor of the attached policy, a policy that includes a recommendation to lower the residency requirement to 65% [LATER REVISED TO ACTUALLY A 7-4 VOTE IN FAVOR OF NEW POLICY – AYS]

As Chair of the committee I have made it clear to all members of the committee, all of whom are copied on this email, that our vote in favor of the attached policy is just a recommendation to you the Town Board. It is my hope that this recommendation will be looked upon favorably by the Town Board and enacted to become the actual Field Use Policy going forward. As Mr. Diviny will attest to, all members of the committee present were afforded ample opportunity to speak on the matter and while some chose not to express any opinion others more than made up for those that did not. It was also made clear to all members present, that the Board may choose to add language to the policy which includes some form of penalty for failure to comply with some or all of the new policy. Lastly we hope that the board, should you choose to move forward with our recommendation, will allow for all groups who are currently not in compliance a period of 12 months from the date of implementation to become compliant.

Should you have any questions or comments concerning any of the attached information please do not hesitate to contact me.

William Lee,
Chairman – ORAC