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I was contacted by Cub Scout Pack 162 from Stoughton about utilizing park green space and shelters due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This would allow them to have their meetings outside and physically distance which would make their meetings safe. Our current policy is that non-profit groups outside of the Chamber of Commerce and the Stoughton Area School District need to pay the resident rate which is $60/day. This policy makes it that the Cub Scouts would need to pay the $60 for the shelter each time they use it.

Our recently passed Athletic Field Policy has a category for sanctioned organizations. The sanctioned organizations are Stoughton based groups with 90% of their members living within the school district boundaries. These sanctioned groups also give back to the park system through maintenance days or field upgrades. The cub scouts in the past have performed community service in the parks through Eagle Scout projects and the Rivers & Trails Taskforce Earth Day Cleanups. The sanctioned organizations pay a $5/player per season to use the parks.

During the time of the pandemic, I think it would in the community's best interest to allow the cub scouts to use the parks for a fee of $5/child. This would keep the practice consistent with the athletic organizations.

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