

Attendance: Terry Olson, Corryn Anderson, Nate Greene, Julie Cooley, Matt Herrmann, Sean DeCent, Kara Kocon, Joe Jensen, Eric Potthoff, JJ Wilkins, Randy Lowe

Guests: Marcus Perry, Aleshia Sydness, Jake Yatckoske, Scott Jann

Absences: Stephanie Wallschlaeger

1. Meeting **CALLED to ORDER** at 7:00 PM
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** from Annual Meeting October 8, 2024
Motion to approve by Randy. Seconded by Matt. Motion passes.
3. **NEW BUSINESS**

President's Report

Just want to start with showing my thanks and appreciation for a few things:

- First, everyone for all their hard work to make this another successful year. Our player numbers continue to trend up which is great.
- Second, a great job from Jim and Jen with the concession stands this year and a special thanks to Corryn for getting all the permits in place that was needed and for stepping up and taking the food service test when Jim was unable. This was needed so we could have concessions.
- Lastly, everyone's promotion with the Banner program this year, we went from (13) banners in 2024 to a record number of banners (44) in 2025 and if we want to continue with field improvements this is how we do it. A special Thanks to Stephanie and Corryn for putting them all up at the parks.

Here are a few highlights from the year I want to share:

- We leveled all the parks at Lions at a cost of approx. \$52,000, which helped the playing conditions.
- We helped Baseball with the funds of approx. \$4,700 to finish the curbing around the batting cages.
- We added shelves inside Lions concessions to help with storage and purchased a new freezer for approx. \$600
- City park concessions there was a new refrigerator added for a cost of approx. \$550.
- We purchased 5 new field rakes and 3 new infield brooms at a cost of approx. \$600.

Also I would like to mention a few things that the city did for improvements:

- Re-sided the concession stand at Lions.
- Paved the pathway coming in.
- Striped the parking lot.
- They leveled the area for the containers.

In closing this is a team effort and I just want to repeat Thank you again for everything you do.

Treasurer's Report

Registration 5 year trend data was shared. SBAA Statement of Activity with January-October 2025 data was shared, as well as anticipated SBAA revenue at end of 2025

Financial Reports attached

4. PUBLIC FORUM –

Baseball Report

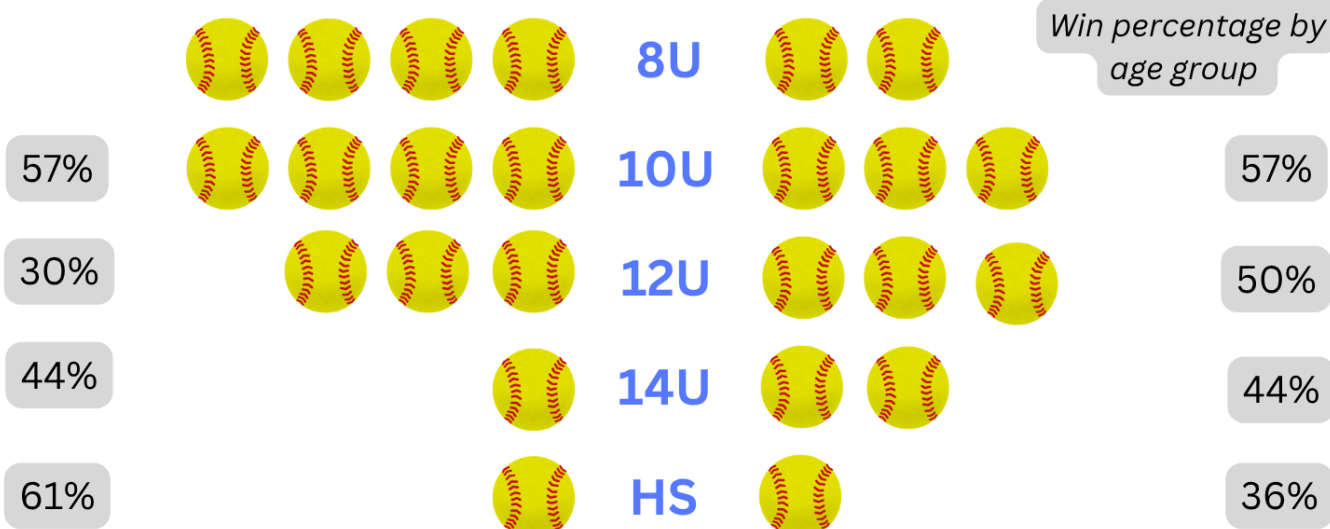
- For the 2025 season, Soderville Baseball had 447 kids registered in 6U to 17U. That was an increase of 11 players from 2024 and an amazing 47 more than in 2023. We had 37 teams, up from 35 the year prior and 32 teams in 2023. Kids are still playing baseball which is great!
 - Rain, rain, and more rain. Rain was a common theme this season and although the fields held up, many games were cancelled and needed to be rescheduled. Soderville Field needed a lot of work done so we had the Diamond Doctor out again and he fixed it up. However, as the season progressed and the fact it was used pretty much every day, the field took a beating. We believe more training for the coaches prior to the season will be needed to prolong the conditions of the 2 baseball only fields as well as the other fields. The Richmond family, Pete, Denise, and Michael, did a wonderful job on the fields like usual. There was a lot to get those fields going and they put a lot of time and effort to make those fields as nice as they are.
 - The batting cages were up the whole season and the curbing was done. They were in use every time I would go up there and I know people were excited about them.
 - For the second year in a row, we did not have any Tournament Teams. It seems since we haven't had it lately, no one really knows about it so it is kind of out of sight, out of mind. It has always been a great opportunity to play more baseball. There have been so many opinions on how to resolve it, yet it hasn't happened. We all agree the first part, finding someone who wants to coach the team, is the most integral part and that has been the hardest thing to hone in.
 - Umpiring continues to get better and better. I didn't hear a lot of negatives this season, mostly positive. There were a lot of young, new umps and I feel they did a great job and for the most part, spectators and coaches were on their best behavior which has a huge impact on whether these kids who are umpiring decide to come back each year.
 - We hosted a number of tournaments this year. Fortunately with all the bad weather, the tournament weekends seemed to luck out. There was one morning during the 12U In House Tournament where we needed to work diligently on Field #3 to make it playable and we were able to with the help of many. The loss of the MYAS State Rec Tournament, due to them deciding not to run it anymore, was a big loss for us. That was always a great tournament for our teams to showcase the talent we have in Soderville and also financially, because we lost out on a weekend to make the program and association money.
 - After 12 years of being a volunteer on the Soderville Board and Baseball Committee, I have decided to step down from my positions. I have always been proud to be a part of this organization and helping to shape it to where we are now with the many wonderful people that I've had the pleasure to work with over the years. It is very bittersweet as I love baseball and this organization. I am looking forward to trying something new, but if you look around, you may see me out at the ballfields come summertime just to watch.

All in all, it was a successful season and I know with new leadership and ideas, the 2026 season will be even better!

Soderville Fastpitch 2025 Annual Report

Summer Teams

Fall Teams



Nationals Appearances:

- 10U A Wilkins - NAFA
- 10U B Law - Monsta
- 10U C Ness - Monsta
- 12U B Dufrene - Monsta
- 12U B Cooley - Monsta
- 14U B Porter - Monsta
- HS Wright - Monsta (2nd Place Silver Bracket)

Notable Finishes:

- 8U Perry - 2nd Place Tier 3 State
 - 10U Law - 2nd Place Tier 5 State
 - HS Wright - 4th Place Tier 2 State
 - 12U Law - Fall 3rd Place Tier 8 State
 - 10U Wilkins - 1st Place Spartan Spectacular
 - 10U Law - 1st Place Spartan Spectacular
 - 10U Law - 1st Place (Silver) Fast & Furious
 - 10U Ness - 1st Place (Silver) Cardinal Classic
 - 10U Ness - 1st Place Mounds View Madness
- ***Too many 2nd & 3rd place finishes to list!*

Winter Training

Hosted Friday evenings at Complete Game from January to April. In 2025 we scheduled two teams during each slot so time could be used more efficiently. Many 10U players utilized the Mini-Moose training program. Many players also took hitting and pitching lessons at Complete Game or other training facilities.

Clinics Offered

- Winter Soderville Coaches and Managers Mentor Session
- Spring pitching time at Complete Game
- August Beginning Pitching
- August Catchers Clinic
- Fall Coaches Kick Off

Hit-A-Thon

Soderville Fastpitch hosted it's second Hit-A-Thon to benefit SBAA. Funds were used to purchase equipment and offset the costs of an additional tournament for each team. Over \$11,000 was raised from the event.

Changes in 2025

- Outfield area of Lion's Park was "rolled" in May, infields re-leveld.
- Hosted an all-parents meeting in March.
- Published a monthly newsletter *The Bengals Strike Zone*

Townball Report

Record was 1-16, Minnesota Baseball is trying to make the leagues more equal. They will stay at the C level. Terry is hoping to get more younger players that want to keep playing.

Election of New Board Members

There are 11 members and each serve 3 year terms, on a rotating basis.

Aleshia Sydness is newly elected to the Board as a representative for Baseball. *Motion made by Randy, seconded by Justin. Motion passes.*

Jake Yatckoske is newly elected to the Board as a representative for Baseball. *Motion made by Randy, seconded by Matt. Motion passes.*

5. NEXT MEETING & ADJOURN at 7:27 PM

Regular Board Meeting immediately following this meeting.

Tuesday, October 21, 2025

Location: Ham Lake Lanes