Dear School Board Member,

The Warren Tennis Boosters is an organization that was formed in the fall of 2000. It is comprised of the coaches and parents of both the boy's and girl's high school tennis teams. It was organized to help support the coaches and the players. As stated on the first page, we organize tag days annually to raise funds to help offset the costs of the program (generally uniforms and indoor court time in Lakewood).

Both tennis teams, along with the Warren tennis community, use the Betts Park Tennis courts for matches. These courts are in a sad state of disrepair. These courts were built in 1972 and the surface of the courts has finally failed. We felt as an organization that the safety of players was at stake with the gaping cracks found on each of the courts.

The Warren tennis community has a solid group of adult players who play, promote tennis and volunteer to provide opportunities for play at all levels for kids and adults. The interest in being part of the high school teams continues to grow. We currently have rosters of twenty or more students for each of the boys and girls teams. We have some highly motivated tennis organizers who offer their coaching and organizing services at no cost to the city or public. Once these courts are renovated, weekly FREE drill sessions for kids and adults will be re-instituted on Sunday evenings. Friday evening tennis parties (open to the public) will return. Special Olympic Tennis will return to this site as well. Our Adult Championship Team Tennis league will return as they have been playing at another facility, in New York State for the past three years. The Betts facility is a keystone in the recreational offerings in Warren. The park offers hiking, softball fields, exercise trails, several picnic areas, bocce courts and the Betts four court tennis facility. These courts are central in projecting a good image of our community and usage will climb to an all time high once renovated.

We spent a considerable amount of time researching solutions to the problem and receiving bids for the project. The total cost of the project stands at \$95,331.00. We have approached both Betts Industries and the City of Warren for the primary sources of funding. They have promised us a total of \$50,000. We have applied for funding from the Warren Foundation. We are in the process of applying for grants through the USTA in conjunction with the NRPA (National Recreation and Parks Association). We are hopeful that the school district will recognize the need for this project for the sake of the students and high school athletics. The high school teams will not have a location to play their matches unless this project takes place. Our goal is to complete this project by August 15, 2008 for use by the girl's tennis season in the fall. Please feel free to contact Dawn Larson (726-3591) or Jeff Bartsch (726-1079) with any questions. Thank you for your consideration on this vital project.

Sincerely,

Dawn Larson

March 28, 2008

To Whom It May Concern:

RE: Betts Tennis Courts

We at Huber Blacktop Company feel that, although there are several methods or approaches to perform repairs on existing tennis court surface, the only means to assure no cracking will re-appear in the next couple years is a complete excavation of existing courts.

The existing cracks extend completely through all blacktop down to the sub-base. To ensure player safety and eliminate any trip hazards on playing surface due to upheaval, we would need to remove all existing pavement and manipulate sub-base to rid any voids in sub-base created by ground movement and the winter freeze/thaw cycle.

Included is our proposal listing the scope of work to be undertaken. We sincerely appreciate the opportunity to bid this project and hope we can work on this together and keep this project local.

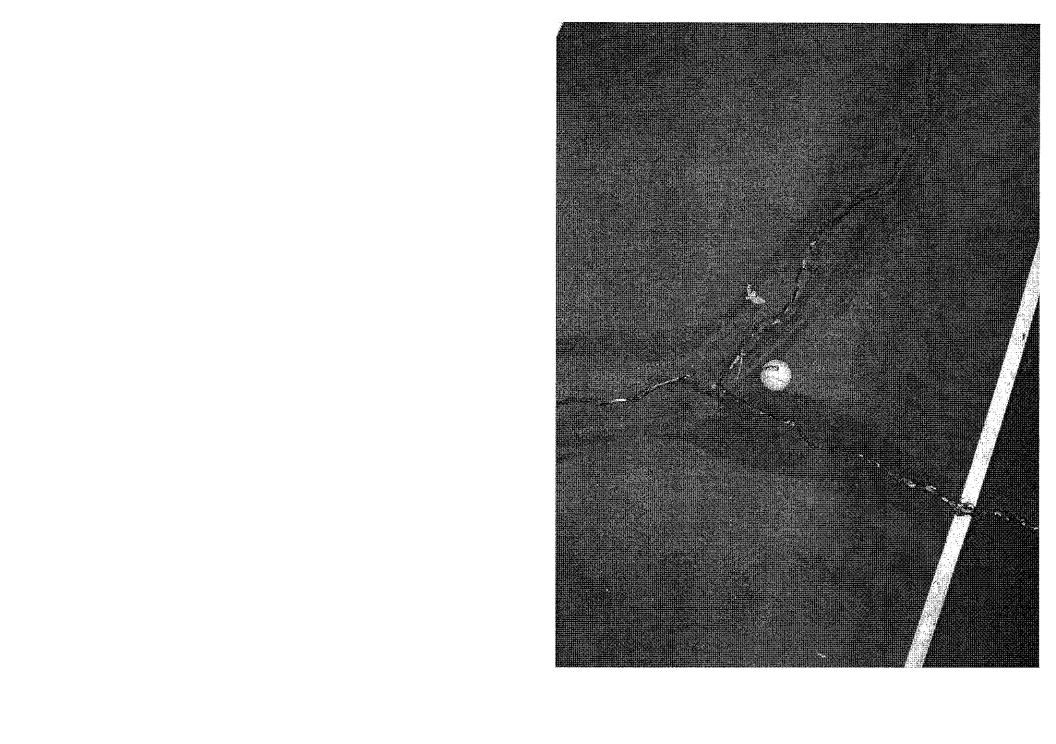
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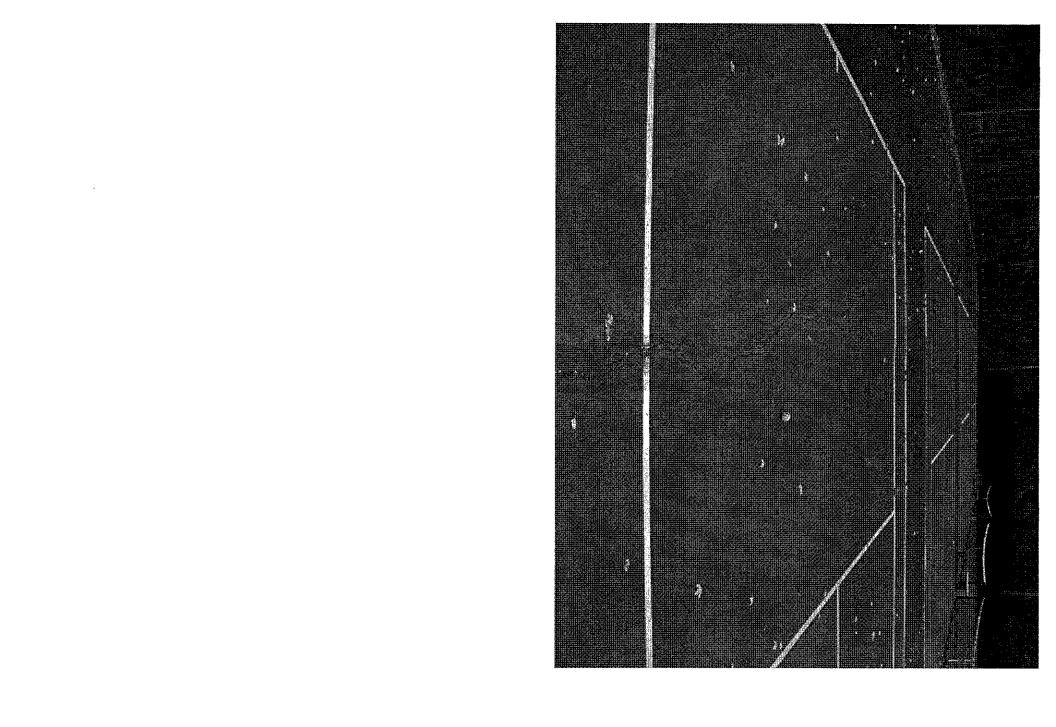
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Daryl Huber

## PROPOSAL FOR BETTS' TENNIS FACILITY RENOVATION

| Fence (removal and replacement – labor only)              | \$ 8,000.00              |
|---|--------------------------|
| Blacktop (excavate, grade and pave – Huber)               | \$62,965.00              |
| Top Coat (clean, paint, line – Denny Posteraro)           | \$21,600.00              |
| Concrete (8 bases for posts – John Anderson)              | \$ 1,400.00              |
| Posts/Nets (posts,nets,straps,hooks – Fromuth) (shipping) | \$ 1,266.00<br>\$ 100.00 |
| TOTAL   | \$ 95,331.00             |





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