

City of Somersworth  
City Council

Public Hearing  
Ordinance No. 28-11  
June 6, 2011

Resolution No. 28-11 Naming the Ball Field at Millennium Park St. Laurent Ball Field.

Mayor Soldati opened the public hearing at 6:45pm.

Greg Kretschmar, Ward 4, said that Romeo St. Laurent was his grandfather and was a lifelong resident of Somersworth and a lifelong servant of the City. He was a Mayor for 7 years, a City Councilor; he was very active in the community. The reason that this is important and he feels that his grandfather is worthy of having the ball field at Millennium Park named after him is that one of the many gifts that he gave to the City, besides helping to negotiate the deal that brought General Electric to Somersworth, was his gift of baseball to the city. Baseball meant a lot to his grandfather, he was a great baseball fan and he helped build the Nobel Pines field, helped to bring Little League and establish the Little League field as well. It would be very appropriate and a great honor for the family for his memory and all that he did for Somersworth if we could name the ball field at Millennium Park after him. He appreciates the Council taking that into consideration today.

Dave Kretschmar, 26 Otis Road, backed up what his brother said about the influence that Romeo had on the City and on them personally as he gestured at the baseball shirt he was wearing. He said he is in the middle of coaching a baseball game. (They are winning.)

They think (the naming of the field) is worthy and hopes the whole Council and the Mayor will support this resolution.

The public hearing closed at 6:48 pm.