



## BETHEL BASEBALL ASSOCIATION

### Media Release and Spokesman Statement

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“Bethel Baseball Association recovers \$25,000 in connection with criminal case against former President and Treasurer, Kurt Dyer.”

**Bethel, CT:** The Bethel Baseball Association would like to publicly thank the hard work and dedication of the Danbury Deputy Assistant State’s Attorney Matthew Knopf and Lieutenant George Bryce of the Bethel Police Department in connection with the criminal cases against Kurt and Jennifer Dyer.

Throughout the process, that began in early 2019, the Bethel Police Department has been an incredible partner in seeking the truth surrounding the financial inconsistencies throughout the leadership tenure of Dyer. Lieutenant Bryce worked with the Bethel Baseball Association board to recover and review bank statements, credit card records and store purchase receipts.

This information was then delivered to build a case that could be effective in the court proceedings. Earlier this month, Deputy Assistant State’s Attorney Knopf informed the Bethel Baseball Association that he was able to recover the \$25,000 which was the contested amount in the criminal case.

The mission of the Bethel Baseball Association is to provide a fun, safe and educational environment for the youth of our town that extends beyond the athletic field. They will continue this mission and with the help of new financial accounting policies – will ensure that our association continues to be a leader in a cost efficient and top tier experience for young athletes in Bethel. The recovered funds will be leveraged by the Bethel Baseball Association to continue to keep league fees low as well as go into the ongoing improvements at Mitchell Park. Those improvements may include, but are not limited to, scoreboard and press box maintenance, creation of designated warm-up pitching locations, creation of an annual high school baseball scholarship, team equipment purchases and a donation to Bethel HS Booster Club to support the new turf field initiative.

The BBA has been a part of the Bethel community for over 65 years, where we have built one of the premier leagues in the area and supported multiple local charities including The Scotty Fund, The Jimmy Fund, as well as other not-for-profit organizations. The Bethel Baseball Association will continue to work to rebuild the reputation and trust of our league with our members, sponsors and the community at large.

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