Farmingville, NY – Brookhaven Town Councilman Dan Panico recently visited Robert Miller Park in the Village of Mastic Beach, commonly known as Legion Fields, to survey the ballfields where significant improvements have been made over the last several years which concluded with the recent installation of brand new lights.

Thanks to these new lights, local teams that are part of Tri Hamlet Sports Club are playing baseball under better and safer conditions. Councilman Panico – who grew up playing sports at these fields - spearheaded the efforts to revitalize the park which had been neglected, he said, referring to it as more of a "poorly kept sandlot with foreign material and debris on the fields." Improvements, made by the Town’s Parks Department, included the addition of two more ballfields for different age groups, a new playground, new landscaping, irrigation and new lights. Panico also noted that improvements to the nearby parking lot, as well as the creation of head-in parking spaces, are planned in the near future.

"These fields were rudimentary," noted Councilman Panico. "The children of Mastic Beach deserve to play in clean, safe fields and we have made it better than it's been in a long time."

"I give the Town of Brookhaven a tremendous amount of credit," said Mayor Spery, Mastic Beach Village Mayor, who joined Councilman Panico to survey the park recently. "This project was done with lightning speed and this park is a shining example."

Pictured are Councilman Dan Panico and Tri Hamlet Sports Club baseball teams during the fall season kickoff under new lights at Robert Miller Park in Mastic Beach Village.