

Board of Recreation Meeting Minutes

February 3rd 2021 Zoom Meeting

Call to Order: 7:05 pm

Members in Attendance: Kurt Williams, Diane Ransom, Sean McGlynn, Kim Huber, Kurt Root

Absent: Allen Miller, Brian Shaughnessy, Alesia Warner, Jamie Duffy

Recreation Director: Tanya Risucci

Approval of 1-6-21 meeting minutes: Motion to accept Diane Ransom seconded by Sean McGlynn: Vote Unanimous in favor

Public Comment: None

Agenda Review:

New Business: Discussion East End Park: Director Risucci

Chairman's Report:

- Baseball/Softball Challenges for upcoming season. What does proper PPE look like being discussed with surrounding communities? Individual helmets & bats maybe required?
- Not officially solicited but we could be asked to support 250th Town Celebration in some way shape or form.
- Apparently, no outcome from Selectman regarding Holland beach inquiry to keep open or close. Proposed Ordinance changes are being looked into at Selectman level.
- Tanya to investigate if we have any board member terms expiring in 2021.
- Will investigate no response to date on 1/7/21 inquiry regarding annual \$20k give back to town. Will draft communication.
- Still requesting all board members to look for potential new member(s) to join the board.

Director's Report:

- CIAC. decision made to allow selected HS sports to commence. No Town recreational sports programs occurring at this time. No access to school building resources.
- Boy scouts utilizing Green Building Thursday nights through month of Feb.
- Karate program in Green Building Monday Night. Tanya attended class and informed board that participants are spaced out and noncontact training occurring.
- Fencing at Green Building total class size of 6
- Awaiting guidance from State on Spring/Summer activities.
- Men's softball will most likely follow same guidance/protocols as last year. Season will start in May time.

- Need to estimate revenue for next year budget. Covid impact on revenue stream maybe similar to what occurred this fiscal year.
- Proposal for alternate Easter Egg hunt activities that Parents set up in their neighborhood presented. Rec Department will advertise on face book with an April 1st 4-6 pm handout of eggs planned.
- Possible Men's outdoor basketball league discussed with a target May timetable.
- Tanya working with other local Rec Directors in area around increased walking trail opportunities and possible grant opportunities. Topic of Disk Golf also discussed as an opportunity with this group. Should be noted that Disk golf was presented to the board a few years back by Joe Cannavo as a possibility for Mad River Dam Area.
- Would like to look at cutting trees down along tennis court since needles falling are creating a slip hazard on court. Tanya to get estimate for taking trees down via Jim Rollins along with replanting of different specie tree.
- Some concern regarding COVID requirements /costs regarding bathroom cleaning at field restrooms with upcoming Spring/Summer HS & Youth Rec sports. Further discussion recommended at March meeting.

Related Ordinances /Regulations Related to Recreation:

Tanya presented latest update to board for review. No major changes requested from board members other than Sean is going to assist in "word proofing" document prior to submission to Selectmen.

Melissa Bird has copy of draft changes to discuss with Selectmen.

015 Account Review:

Discussion pertaining to possible 2021 projects and 015 funding was held.

Review of Board Project List:

The board reviewed and updated the Recreation Board Project List last updated October 2019. Board identified projects completed and verified existing priority rankings. Additional follow up on effectiveness of Flagpole lighting and timing for safety netting/canopy between LL and Dodge Field discussed. Netting needs to be discussed further at March meeting.

Updated Project List will be submitted to Town Manager & Melissa Bird, so they have for budget process.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Tanya would like to have a discussion on Rec board responsibilities at East End Park placed on Agenda for March meeting. Request for Department to take over scheduling, approval and non-approval of events will be the main topic.

Adjournment: 8:10 pm, first motion made by Kim Huber, seconded by Diane Ransom.

Next Meeting: Zoom Meeting on March 3, 2021 at 7:00pm

Respectfully submitted,

Kurt Williams

Recreation Department Board Chairman

The above minutes have not been approved by the Recreation Board. Approval will be made on the next regularly scheduled meeting.