

Board of Recreation meeting minutes

July 1 ,2020

Call to order: Kurt Williams at 6:34 pm

Members in attendance: Kurt Williams, Kurt Root, Allen Miller, Brian Shaunessey, Alesia Warner, Diane Ransom, Kim Huber

Recreation Director: Tanya Risucci

Absent: Jamie Duffy, Sean McGlynn, Ashley Alcott

Approval of last meeting minutes:

Approval of 3/4/20 minutes – Motion to accept Allen Miller, Seconded Alesia Warner, Vote : 6 in favor 1 abstain

Approval of 5/28/20 Covid 19 Special Zoom Meeting minutes – Motion to accept made by Alesia Warner with amendment to include that board voted unanimously in favor of proposed Covid 19 policy presented at meeting. Seconded by Allen Miller . Vote : 5 in favor 2 abstain

Public Comment:

Rec Director relayed inquiry from resident Meghan Cook on future of children programs most specifically soccer during Covid period. Brian will extend invite to Meghan to join us at our next meeting if additional information is required.

Agenda Review: no changes

Chairmen's Report:

- Big thanks for Tanya in keeping us informed during our 3 month hiatus due to Covid19.
- Overall Fields look to be in great shape but sad that there not be used to fullest due to Covid. 19
- Thanks to WFD for supporting Easter Parade
- Winsted Youth Baseball/Softball completed refunds to registered participants
- U19 & U17 baseball teams forming under CTEBA. League for 1 year period since American Legion national decision not to sponsor during Covid 19 period.
- Walker Field Dug out replacement did not make it into Capital Budget. Would like the board to discuss amount of 015 fund dollars at next meeting and determine if additional expenditures from fund should happen or not.
- Mens Softball season just kicked off. Appears that teams are following Covid 19 rules to best of their ability.

Fy 20-21 Revenue Give Back:

- The board discussed this year give back to Town given the known and un known implications with reduced revenue due to Covid situation to our programs .
- The board agreed to have Rec Director present a \$5000 level give back at this time. Motion to accept made by Alesia Warner Seconded by Kim Huber. Vote : Unaminous.

Fy 20-21 Budget Review :

- Budget Review FY 19-20 and FY 20-21 spreadsheets presented for review /discussion.
 - Minimum wage increase over next 3 years reflected
 - Capital improvement in safety netting and new mower

Director's Report:

- Gaylord Tiffany Foundation approved and funded addition of new lights for basketball court, protective guard rails along fence other misc. camp supply items and handicap swing.
- New Backboard to be installed at Manor Park south hoop.
- Not all program instructors are comfortable with continuing their programs during Covid period.
- Karate to start next Tuesday 7/7/20. Will limit 12-14 participants per session.
- Summer Camp begins 7/6/20 with all activities slated for Pearson School.
 - Tanya to manage any refunds if necessary. Additional states have been added to quarantine list since registrations were accepted. Potential vacation issues with some participants and families may arise
 - Should not need to pay for janitorial staff since they are already at school
 - At this time it appears there will 3 separate groups which will have 2 counselors each. Goal is to keep groups somewhat segregated as much as possible during the week to maximize social distancing.
 - Counselors are receiving additional training as needed
- **Beach Parking has and continues to be a major issue that needs to be addressed.** The board currently has little to no control over parking at both beaches. Having lifeguards attempt to monitor is a safety issue taking away from their primary duty. Additionally, beach capacity is difficult next to impossible to enforce. Perhaps starting with parking ordinance changes will help put some meat around enforcement. Will add to next meeting agenda. Issues discussed are not new to the board and have been discussed each and every year. Recommendation to close beach(s) if we cannot control was discussed at meeting. **Board needs Police and Town Officials support to address at this time.**

Kurt Williams will discuss issues with Town Manager and report back

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Meeting Adjourned: at 8:00 pm motion made by Alesia Warner and seconded by Diane Ransom . Vote: Unanimous

Next Meeting: August 5th , 2020 at 7pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Kurt Williams Recreation Department Chairman

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

