PARK & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD REGULAR MEETING June 11, 2020

Recreation Department - 50 Whiting Street 6:00 P.M.

Meeting was on phone conference

Minutes

PRESENT: Donna Martin, Ezio Cappozzi, Ben Gediman, Bill Bulger, Quinn Christopher

ABSENT: Tom Warnat, Brent Davenport, Chris DiTolla

STAFF: Courtney Hewett, Park and Recreation Director, Jennifer Dahlstrom, Recording Secretary, Jacob Rocco, Town Council Liaison

I. Minutes

<u>A motion was made by</u>: Ben Gediman to approve the May 21, 2020 Special Meeting Minutes.

Seconded by: Bill Bulger

All in Favor 5 to 0

Motion Passes

II. ORAL PETITIONS

None

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. <u>Summer update</u> - The Town Council and Town Manager want to open camp and the pool this summer following the CDC and Health Department guidelines for safety.

Berner Pool Guidelines -

- 5 lifeguards and a Pool Director will be on at all times. Ben Dalena and Courtney will be present at opening and when needed.
- Plexi glass will be installed where the residents will check in.
- The gate by the pavilion will be open for people to exit through.
- Additional PPE will be available for the guards in case of an emergency. Ben Gediman suggested face splash guards.
 Courtney and the board agree that is a good idea.
- The guards will get a 15 minute break per hour
- The pool will be shut down for 1 hour during the day to allow time to clean the area and bath house. Courtney estimates it will take 30 minutes to clean, so the rest of the hour the guards

Berner Pool Guidelines Continued-

- No swim lessons
- Temperatures for staff are not required. Ben Dalena and Courtney to follow guidelines, if that changes.
- The residents that would like to use the pool will need to call into the Rec Department to reserve a time slot. They will be allowed 3 times a week or so depending on how many residents have passes that want to use the pool.
- Ben Gediman asked if the town staff will be providing additional PPE in case of someone vomiting etc. More than just gloves and a mask will be necessary. Courtney to look into it.
- Courtney shared that one of the Pool Directors works for the Health Department so she has been sharing guidelines and safety tips with the staff, which is very helpful.
- Lifeguards will get 25 hours of work a week and some of them have volunteered to help in the camp, if needed.

Summer Camp –

- Registration for summer camp started. All classes are full for the 8 sessions and there are wait lists.
- The maximum campers are 40 total per week ages 5 to 12.
- Additional staff will be there to help sanitize and supervise the children to make sure they are keeping their social distance.
- Courtney explained that she has a plan for severe weather to keep social distancing. They will split the kids up by age level in the activity bldg., concession stand, pool bath house and the building in grounds.
- Campers and staff will need to have temperatures taken every day.
- Ben and Courtney hired a nurse that was laid off from the Doctors Treatment Center to take the temperatures
- Courtney and the camp staff will coordinate activities for the campers.

<u>Summer Concert Series</u> – will be cancelled for this year.

Other Camps -

- <u>Baseball Camp</u> Lou Mandeville cancelled the baseball camp. He did not think he could keep the kids socially distanced.
- Sky Hawk Camp not sure if it is possible to have it. Courtney to follow up.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

- <u>Bike Patrols</u> bike patrols will be done this year.
- Trash board members reported that there was trash at the basketball court. Courtney to follow up with buildings and grounds.
- <u>Memorial Request</u> another request came in for a memorial bench. The board agrees to put on hold until a policy is set.

V. ADJOURNMENT

<u>A motion was made by:</u> Quinn Christopher to adjourn the meeting at 6:46 pm.

Seconded by: Donna Martin

Vote: 5-0 in favor Meeting adjourned at 6:46 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Dahlstrom

Recording Secretary