



Parks and Recreation Committee Minutes to Virtual Meeting held on June 15th, 2020

Present: Sarah Chester, Chris Fasciano (minutes), Margit Griffith, John MacLachlan and Ani Spieth

Absent: Doug Carson

Staff: Dan Pereira, David Sequeira and Laurie Dumont

Guests: Rob Stringer (public), Joe Columbo, Sarah Costa, and Erin Dotson (Camp Directors)

Decisions:

Codman Pool Covid Protocols: David Sequeira led the discussion as the Committee reviewed and discussed the proposed protocols for opening pool in preparation for a meeting with Board of Public Health on Wednesday. The protocols are based on The Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs guidance and the National Aquatics and Center for Disease Control guidelines were also reviewed. The committee made several suggestions for tweaking the protocols that included private lessons prior to the pool opening, shortening the advanced time for making reservations to 10 days for residents and 7 days for non-residents, including an allowance for chairs for patrons with mobility issues, making sure that everyone that wants to use certain parts of the pool gets a chance via lifeguard rotating people in and out, and raising the minimum age to 14 to be at the pool alone. The committee chose to meet on Thursday night to discuss hours and pricing once the slides that need to be presented to the Board of Health were agreed on.

Summer Camp Pricing: The camp directors presented a pricing proposal for camp that is designed to roughly breakeven. Increased expenses associated with Covid-19 protocols have impacted the P&L. If camp doesn't run the sunk costs are currently between \$20,000 to \$25,000. 190 campers are needed to run camp at a loss equal to that incurred if camp isn't run at a price of \$600 for two weeks. The committee agreed that if registrations are 190 or higher camp should run without a further decision by the committee. Below 190 registrations, the committee will look at the forecasted financial impact of running camp and weigh that against the desire to give kids a place to go this summer.

Playground Covid Protocols: The committee reviewed the proposed protocols to reopen playgrounds. Signage and public education will be used to communicate with the public about what those protocols are. Hand sanitizer will be available either affixed to the gate or in a central location.

Athletic Fields and Sports Court Covid Protocol: The committee reviewed the protocols for athletic fields and the sports court. Similar to the playgrounds, signage and public education will be used to communicate the protocols.

Ani moved to approve the pool protocols minus the hours and pricing. Margit seconded. A roll call vote followed: Sarah Chester yes, Margit Griffith yes, John MacLachlan yes, Ani Spieth yes and Chris Fasciano yes.

Margit moved to approve the camp pricing model. Sarah seconded. A roll call vote followed: Sarah Chester yes, Margit Griffith yes, John MacLachlan yes, Ani Spieth yes and Chris Fasciano yes.

Sarah moved to approve the playground protocols. Chris seconded. A roll call vote followed: Sarah Chester yes, Margit Griffith yes, John MacLachlan yes, Ani Spieth yes and Chris Fasciano yes.

Ani moved to approve the athletic fields and sports court protocols. Sarah seconded. A roll call vote followed: Sarah Chester yes, Margit Griffith yes, John MacLachlan yes, Ani Spieth yes and Chris Fasciano yes.

Facilities and Programming Updates:

The Office: Dan, David and Laurie are now all back at work in the office. The public is still not allowed in.

Tennis Courts: Opened and being used. There has been a water issue. The irrigation company has been out four times to try and fix heads. Problem is still ongoing.

Outdoor Fitness Classes: Mat Pilates and Lana's fitness class will be conducted outside under the tent at Pierce Park. Classes will begin over the next couple of weeks.

Public Events: Dan is meeting with the July 4th volunteers tomorrow. The race will be virtual and the parade is likely to be a car parade through town.

Summer Concerts: Currently the concerts are delayed but not canceled. The hope is to run them later in the summer.

Minutes: The minutes from the February 24th Meeting were approved. Sarah moved and Margit seconded. A roll call vote followed: Sarah Chester yes, Margit Griffith yes, John MacLachlan yes, Ani Spieth yes and Chris Fasciano yes.

The minutes from the June 8th meeting were approved as revised. Ani moved and Sarah seconded. A roll call vote followed: Sarah Chester yes, Margit Griffith yes, John MacLachlan yes, Ani Spieth yes and Chris Fasciano yes.

Next Virtual Meetings: June 18th and June 24th.