

Barrington Recreation Department

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Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

June 19th, 2023

Barrington Town Gym- 5:30pm

Present: Dale Sylvia, Scott Ramsey, Dave Johnson, Jessica Tennis, Sarah Bailey

Guests:

Selectboard Liaison: Not in attendance

Call to Order: Dave called the meeting to order at 5:31pm

Old Business:

Approval of past minutes: Scott motioned to approve the May 15th minutes. Dave seconded, vote unanimous.

New Business:

Program Report: There were a total of 390 participants total. Largest increase was due to adult fitness classes and more classes being offered.

Revolving Fund Report:

Beginning Balance: \$559,035.52

Ending Balance: \$551,510.61

The Commission discussed the Revolving Fund projections and upcoming projects. Jessie reminded them about the need for a new summer camp shed and the potential to replace the current one with the shed located by communication tower. Brief discussion about potential storage for new fan and garage options within the space of the current shed. The van is still scheduled to arrive in July.

The commission reviewed the application and discussed his role and prior experiences. Scott motioned to make the recommendation for Fredrik Testor as an alternate for the Recreation Commission and Dale seconded.

Summer Concert Series is off and running. Power has been established and we are focusing on advertisements. We are still considering potential band stands for the future but plan to utilize a flatbed trailer donated by One Stop Trailer Shop and an EZ up for this current year.

Software Update is in full swing. We purged out the old system and turned \$977.50 back to the state while receiving \$1,321.43 of donations. There were \$3148.25 in requested refunds. The commission reviewed earmarked projects and potential timelines due to potential library project.

Summer camp starts this upcoming Monday, and we are in great shape. Staff are working hard to instill our new core values and have really been focusing on team bonding and supporting one another. Field trips will return this year, starting week 2 of camp.

Summer Soccer has been running for 2 full weeks and things are going well. Mackenzie Quick is the site supervisor for the program and has been doing a great job. We have roughly 130 participants total.

Jessie gave the commission an overview of the library project and the building committee meeting. Jessie explained that the library trustees has made the request to the selectboard to have \$10,000 from the library/community center capital

reserve to pay for engineered drawings of the current library space, for Recreational needs. Jessie met with the SMP to review Recreations wants/needs to ensure they were included in the re-design currently being completed. Jessie told the commission about the library building committee meeting and the discussions about locations, timeline and affect on Recreation. Jessie encouraged the group to find a few different locations for the well/septic, as it is currently planned to go under the Recreation field that was recently updated. Although selectboard will make final decision, the commission felt that having the least amount of impact to Recreational services was imperative and something they would plan to advocate for, if needed.

Jessie reminded the commission that budget season prep was around the corner and to start considering any suggestions or requests during the July meeting. The discussion about having the Administrative Assistant (9 hours) and single plan health insurance our of the revolving fund and fully into the Operating budget, as currently 25 of the 24 hours are taken from. The accuracy of this position has a direct affect on town hall positions, as it is imperative the Recreation AA has accounted for all revenues and expenses accurately. This position plays an intricate role within the department but is not associated with any specific program or has funds to offset this position.

The commission discussed potential capital improvement requests for playground maintenance, as this is a community space with no money coming in to offset the expenses.

Jessie requested a nonpublic for reputation and legal. Dale motioned to enter non-public at 6:55pm. Dave seconded.

Dale motioned to leave non-public at 7:00pm and to seal non-public minutes.

Dale brought up the College Scholarship review process. Jessie said she will work on the new process between now and November and will present the commission with the new process during the December meeting.

Scott made a motion to adjourn at 7:03pm Dave seconded.

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Scott 3/25/24
Dave 3/25/24