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Barrington, NH Recreation Commission Minutes

November 16th, 2020

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Present: Doug Langdon, Dale Sylvia, Alex McCormack-Kuhman, and Sarah Bailey. Jim Noble called into the meeting via Microsoft Teams.

Guests:

Select Board Liaison: Not in attendance

Absent: Steve Graves

Call To Order: Dale called the meeting to order at 6:05PM

Old Business:

Jim motioned to approve the October minutes, Doug seconded, vote unanimous.

Dale updated the Commission on correspondence between himself and Conner about the MOU discussion with the Commission and the town Select Board.

New Business:

Revolving Fund Report:

Beginning balance- \$527,391.21

Ending balance- \$551,926.90

The quarter three bill is \$40,621.71 and will be reflected in November's Revolving Fund Report. Sarah and the Commission also reviewed the yearly budget where Sarah has made projections for quarter four.

Participation Report: Sarah informed the Commission that the Zumba instructor will no longer be leading classes. The department has chosen to reevaluate the program in the spring of 2021 with hopes of finding a new instructor at that time. Sarah also updated the Commission about the status of yoga and pilates. Both Sarah and the instructor agreed that it was in the best interest of participants and the department to continue the cancelation of classes and monitor the status of COVID-19 in the new year. Sarah also gave recaps of Trunk or Treat and Retro Night.

Sarah updated the Commission on the current status of before and after care. There have been a few confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the schools which has caused some of the participants of before and aftercare to quarantine. The department has decided to not charge families required to quarantine. Sarah informed the Commission this may cause income numbers to fluctuate slightly.

Sarah informed the Commission that we will be pushing the start of basketball season to January of 2021. Sarah also let the Commission know the department will be joining an esports league with other New Hampshire rec departments. The department has a meeting with the company GG Leagues on 11/17 to gain more information and begin the registration process.



Sarah presented the Commission with an application from Hildi Ahee to join the Recreation Commission. Sarah asked if the Commission would like to make a recommendation to the Select Board to appoint a Hildi to the Commission. The Commission debated whether they should meet the individual before making the recommendation. They agreed to make the recommendation to the Select Board based on the application.

Sarah informed the Commission that Jessie will be returning to work on November 30th. She will be working remotely for the first week and plans on returning to the office in person the following Monday.

Sarah told the Commission that the grant money from the New Hampshire Empower Youth Program Grant has been received. When Jessie returns, Sarah, Conner, Amy and Jessie will meet to discuss the best way to expend the funds and transfer money to the Revolving fund.

Sarah updated the Commission that the department is still without an evening and weekend supervisor. The department has decided it is best to hold the position vacant until regular programming resumes.

Sarah and the Commission discussed a plot of land at the end of Redemption Road that is land owned by the town. When the property was subdivided this lot was noted for future Recreation use. The Select Board has asked if the Department is interested in the land or if they should move forward exploring other options for the plot. The Commission discussed whether the land would be of use to the department dependent on topography and location. The Commission also discussed ideas on how we may utilize the land. The Commission agreed to pursue the opportunity and will conduct more research on the possible development of the land.

Sarah updated the Commission on the dumpster MOU. Sarah spoke with Melissa at the library and updated the document to reflect accurate contract schedule and pricing. The commission didn't have any questions about the updates and agreed to have Dale sign the updated version.

Doug made a motion to adjourn at 7:02PM, Jim Seconded, vote unanimous.