RECREATION COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

Date: September 20th, 2023

Location: Scituate Recreation Department 327 First Parish Road Scituate, MA 02066

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 5:03 PM

In Attendance:

Recreation Commission: Matt Chase, Mike Connor, Dave Mahery, Sheila McCourt Director of Recreation: Nick Lombardo, Assistant Director: Shawna Burkhardt-Hansen Field Coordinator: Kevin Devin

Vote on Meeting Minutes:

Unanimous approval of minutes for August 23rd, 2023.

Liaison Reports: CPC, Visitors, Other

-Kelly Bower: Update on Beach Commission. New member to Beach Committee, Chris Mason.

-Supports changes in beach sticker pricing and numbers

- Bike Committee to be put on the next Recreation Committee meeting to discuss and vote.

New Bicycle Commission Liaison, Discussion/Vote:

- Sheila McCourt agreed and all in favor for being a liaison for the Bike Commission

Mark Novak, Activitas: CPC Tennis Court Update

- Jamie Gilmore is the CPC applicant
- Meeting with the Recreation Committee is the last stop before going to town meeting.
- Project is looking to remove and replace the tennis courts at the High School campus. Will be expanding to 5 courts from 4.
- Planning to use posttension concrete as a base (50 year expected life span).
- Will be adding lighting for the courts as well as two spectator areas.
- Regrading of the land on the far side of the courts with a two-tier retention wall. Will redo vegetation in replacement of some of the removal that is needed.
- CPC is covering 100% of the cost.
 - First proposal was \$1.25mil, Second proposal is closer to \$2million. It has been voted on to move forward with the second plan.

Field Coordinator Update:

-Fall is up and running

-Central Field is two months behind scheduled to finish. It is making steady progress and netting is getting put up this week.

- Have had a few issues with the subcontractors and driving machinery on the other fields, causing ruts and damage. That issue is being addressed by all parties involved with the project.

Out of town Beach Stickers, Beach Parking Violation Fee, Discussion and Vote

- All in favor for changing the prices on stickers, violations and number of stickers available
 - Proposed changes:
 - Resident \$50, Seniors \$45
 - Non-residents \$300 and offer 200 stickers, can only be used Monday-Friday, no weekends or holidays
 - Humarock only \$125 and offer 300 stickers
 - Parking violations \$100
- Parking spots available according to town website: Minot-100, Egypt- 76, Sandhills-24, Peggotty-100

Directors Report:

- Fall Programming is underway

- Looking to increase the pay of the lifeguards for next summer as we are one of the lowest paying around with surrounding towns.

- We went to Capital Plan for a new parking lot out back as well as the new pickleball/tennis courts.

- Looking to get the Friends of Scituate Recreation account back to what it used to be with maybe some more volunteers to help run it.

- Continuing to branch out and explore new options for programming and community events/fundraisers.

Old/New Business:

- Moving the Mobi mat at Sandhills Beach to the other entrance due to the stairs being in disrepair.
- Still wanting to extend the mats over at Peggotty Beach for wheelchair usage.

ADJOURNMENT: 6:35PM