

## Lancaster Recreation Committee Meeting – Meeting Notes

Zoom Meeting Tuesday, September 1, 2020 6:00 pm

Member Attendees: Katie O’Riorden, David Carr, Stephen Hutchinson, Andrea Shepard, Joe Kennedy, Mark Renzkowski, Win Clark

Non-Members: Brendon Aylward

I. CALL TO ORDER: Called to order at 6:05 pm

II. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

- Brendon Aylward, Unified Health and Performance:
  - Wants to run an outdoor program behind the town hall 330-530, Mon-Thurs, 8 weeks, Sept 14 – Nov.
  - Is field available? Yes
  - What would the cost be? \$20/hour is the normal rate. Committee discussed.
  - Is it regularly mowed? Yes
  - They will carry insurance.
  - Class size: 15, different age groups for kids.
  - Inquired about a donation as a possibility.
  - We will need covid-19 precautions in writing (to Andrea) and a town license agreement (to Joe).
  - *David Carr motioned for Unified Health and Performance \$10/hour. Joe Kennedy 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimous vote.*

III. SCHEDULED APPEARANCES & PUBLIC HEARING: None

IV. TREASURER’S REPORT: No comments. *Win Clark motions to approve, Dave Carr 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimous vote.*

V. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: *Win Clark motions to approve, Mark Renzkowski 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimous vote.*

VI. COMMITTEE UPDATES

- Town Beach
  - All in all a good year.
  - Final Budget: \$5,700 loss. Less than expected.
  - Great staff this year. Shout out to Joe and Andrea for all their extra work. Good relationship with abutters. Thanks to Dave for organizing trash/litter pick up. Will advertise the water/beach wheelchair availability next year.
  - Should the beach be its own line item? – This discussion was tabled until a later date.
- Adult Softball:
  - Reduced rate for league discussion. In past fee included field, registration, and equipment (balls). They have asked to remove this cost since we are not purchasing balls this year, typically a cost of about \$700. League representatives requested a \$200/team fee instead of the \$300/team fee. After discussion the committee agreed to have the fee remain the at \$300/team. Andrea will communicate this to the league representatives.
- Scoreboard:
  - Katie provided updates. We continue to have difficulty with finding a sponsor for softball side of scoreboard.
  - What is an appropriate panel amount? Options were discussed. Katie will continue to work on appropriate ask for sponsorship.
- Playground/Splashpad:
  - Win will meet pavers on Thursday. Bricks have been delivered. Patio blocks to be ordered.
  - Adopt a garden fundraising idea a future possibility
  - Kiosk needs repair. Needs five 1X10X8 boards. Katie and Win will see if they can be donated.

- *Stephen Hutchinson motions that if donations are not secured by 9.8.20 that we approve spending up to \$100 to purchase boards. Win Clark 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimous vote.*
- Backpacks donations:
  - All supplies are coming in this week for delivery.
- Hikes:
  - We will continue to hold off on offering guided walks or fishing events. We will look to promote trails and geocaching on Facebook.
- Tennis Courts:
  - Driveway will be redone next week by Keating.
  - Tennis court complete resurfacing would be a difficult project that would damage the field and require possible removal of trees.
  - Could we do a temporary fix of cracks with cold fill (QPR) instead of complete resurfacing? Mark will research cost of materials. Would like to do this in the fall.
- Halloween:
  - Meeting last week to discuss Halloween on the green with social distancing. Town Library is interested in partnering. Win and Andrea are involved and will update the committee at our next meeting.
- Guitar:
  - Mark is looking to restart classes with social distancing guidelines in place. Hoping to use town hall. Hoping to offer the class on the Third Thursday of the month.
- Circuit Lab:
  - A success with 6 students attending. Lab followed state guidelines for social distancing and other measures.
- Spending and reimbursement document: All committee members reviewed. No questions.
- Need a new official chair:
  - Chair runs meetings, fields questions, organize volunteer efforts, and communicates with Andrea and town officials as needed.
  - Katie volunteered to run meetings.
  - We will look to put together an official list of duties and discuss at next meeting.

*7:36PM: Katie O’Riorden motion to adjourn, Joe Kennedy 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimous vote.*

- Next meeting: Oct 6<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 pm, most likely via Zoom