



CITY OF DOVER

DOVER POOL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting
Meeting Location: Indoor Pool, Meeting Room, Henry Law Ave, Dover, NH
Meeting Date: Monday, December 15, 2014
Meeting Time: **7:00pm**

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Members Present: Jess Bonello, Pat Campbell, Sue Medbery, Tim Paiva, Suzanne Petersen (honorary)
City Staff Present: Gary Bannon, John O'Connor

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Approval of Agenda: Jess made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Tim seconded. Agenda was approved unanimously.

Approval of Minutes from November 17, 2014: Jess made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Tim seconded. Minutes were approved unanimously.

Citizens' Forum: n/a

Reports:

Gary (and Mick's report):

- The pool is very busy now with high school teams.
- New lifeguards have been hired and the staff is now where it should be.
- Plans for Henry Law Park and the gundalow continue to be tweaked.
- Progress is being made on the heating system controls upgrade planning.
- The crack in the foundation that causes water leaks in the lobby will require a back-hoe to repair. Gutters will be cleaned out and a troublesome tree will be removed from the Rotary Pavilion side of the building.
- The Thanksgiving snow storm took out some major limbs. The new roof held up perfectly.
- The pool will be closed on Christmas and New Year's Day. The pool will close at 4:00 on the 24th and 31st.
- An HVAC engineer is doing some tests to see how air flow just above the pool can be improved. This is being done without any cost to the city.
- All swimmers should be reminded to shower before entering the pool to help prevent the formation of odoriferous chlorine compounds.
- Registration for winter lessons will begin in January.
- A weekend custodian has been hired and started last weekend.

Long-Range Planning:

- Test borings were taken at 10-12 sites at Maglaras Park. Results will be shared in a few weeks.
- Tim visited the Tupelo Aquatic Center to see their new pool, very similar to what is planned for the Jenny Thompson Aquatic Center. He took away several key lessons that will be used at the JTAC.



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- Plans for the competition pool at JTAC have been modified so that the number of 50 meter racing lanes will be increased to 10 and each lane will be narrowed to 7.5'. The original plans called for 8 lanes that were 9' wide.
- Once the test boring results are back, the next step is to hire an architect. Tim learned that knowledge of local building materials and practices is more important than finding an architect with aquatic center expertise.
- The projected cost is around \$13 million.

Finance and Budget:

- Figures so far this year look good and are on target.
- Convenient MD has signed a contract to advertise at the pools. The deal this year will bring in about \$5500, but more is possible in the future.
- Gary is working in the expense side of the budget. Capital improvements include a new vacuum system and technological coordination of the pool's environmental system.

2015 Goals:

- Explore opportunities to improve social activities other than competitive swimming at the pools; for example, water polo, water aerobics and synchronized swimming.
- Increase opportunities for working adults to use the pool; advertise Sunday afternoon and Friday evening slots.
- Recruit two alternates for the committee.
- Reach out to recreation departments in other communities and invite them to use the Dover pool for organized recreational activities.
- Plan a few special events for kids in coordination with possible chamber of commerce's evening on the town events.
- Improve signage, taking advantage of the playground improvement project.

Adjournment:

Tim made a motion to adjourn. Sue M. seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 7:55.

Submitted by Suzanne Petersen