



CITY OF DOVER

POOL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting
Meeting Location: Indoor Pool, Meeting Room, Henry Law Ave, Dover, NH
Meeting Date: Monday, July 20, 2015
Meeting Time: 7:00pm

Members Present: Jess Bonello, Christophe Cloitre, Sue Medbery, Tim Paiva, Suzanne Petersen (honorary)

City Staff Present: Gary Bannon, Councilor John O'Connor

Meeting began at 7:03.

Approval of Agenda:

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

Approval of Minutes from June 15, 2015:

Tim made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Jess seconded. Minutes were approved unanimously.

Citizens' Forum: n/a

Reports:

Gary (& Mick):

- Both pools have been busy and the weather has generally been nice.
- Lessons and programs are well attended.
- Gary will be working with public works to locate and seal the source of the leak in the foundation between the pool and the Children's Museum.

Long-Range Planning:

- The city council re-affirmed support of the JTAC's efforts to explore funding opportunities to construct a facility on public land at Maglaras Park.
- Tim offered Gary contact information for a pool professional who could perform a longevity evaluation for the current pools. Gary noted that he also knows a professional who could evaluate the useful life of the current pools.
- Gary and Mick have been asked to submit a 10-15 year outlook for the pools' capital project needs. This is longer than the customary 3-5 outlook done on the past.

Finance and Budget:

As of the end of May, the net cost of the pools to the city was \$238,000. The June (and final FY 2015) numbers are not in yet, but \$40,000 will be added to the expense side to cover costs associated with the HVAC and associated technological updates that are needed at the indoor pool.



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Old Business:

Indoor Pool Lighting:

The project to convert all lights at the indoor pool to LED was approved by the city council. A similar project at the ice arena has received an enthusiastic response from the public. Each individual light in the pool area can be set with a customized intensity and collectively the lights can be programmed to create visual displays (such as sequential flashing to announce a record-breaking race) or provide background lighting for different uses of the facility. The installer is moving forward with planning for all work in August while the pool is closed for the annual maintenance and upgrades. The debt will be paid over four years by energy cost savings (lower actual use once installed but same price being paid currently for the old, less efficient lights). The lights are expected to last without any maintenance for 10 years.

Henry Law Park:

The architectural and engineering designs are being finalized. Bids will be taken in August. The goal is to begin work in early October after Apple Harvest Day and be done by the summer of 2016.

Annual Indoor Pool Closure:

The following activities are planned to take place during the closure from August 24 to September 8:

- HVAC upgrade: dehumidifier, heat, boiler, interfaces
- replacement of all lights with LEDs
- thorough cleaning
- installation of additional handrails along corridors and shower areas??

The outdoor pool will be available to all patrons during the indoor pool closure. If work inside goes beyond September 8, Gary and Mick will do what they can to ensure continued public access at the outdoor pool.

New Business:

Future Meetings:

- signs inside and outside
- smoking and police presence (if needed) at the playground

Miscellaneous:

- locker rental: It was noted that some patrons will not be renewing their locker rental due to higher rates. Rentals are a minor source on income for the pools, but it was also noted that some lockers need to remain unrented or patrons will start leaving bags, etc. on benches and the floor if all lockers are unavailable.



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- publicity: The group was reminded that senior patrons are a largely untapped market. Gary was asked to speak to his colleagues in other local recreation departments and senior centers. Gary noted that many patrons at the Dover Senior Center are active in fitness programs and that many come from other towns.
- August meeting: The group was asked if a quorum would be present for August. No conflicts were noted, so the August meeting will be held as scheduled.

Adjournment:

Jess made a motion to adjourn. Tim seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:53.