



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, October 16, 2017
Meeting Time: 7:00pm

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Roll Call

Representatives Present: Pat Campbell, Christophe Cloitre, Sue Medbery, Tim Paiva, Suzanne Petersen (citizen volunteer)

City Personnel Present: Gary Bannon, Michael Arsenault, Kelsey Boese, John O'Connor

Meeting began at 7:15.

Approval of Agenda: Pat made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Sue Medbery seconded. Agenda was approved unanimously.

Approval of Minutes from September 18, 2017: Pat made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Sue Medbery seconded. Minutes were approved unanimously.

Reports:

Gary:

- We are looking ahead to the Fall and Winter and everything that it entails operations wise. Hoping for the best for the heating season with our current boilers.
- Budget season, we will be dealing with the Revenue and Expense side of the budget very soon as well as the potential re-organization of our seasonal vs. part time staff. The Recreation department has the biggest number of part time staff and will be changed substantially if this needs to take effect.

Mick:

- Pool schedule has changed slightly lately with the addition of SSA morning practices. It will change greatly on November 13th when the 5 area High School teams start swimming.
- We are currently hiring lifeguards and swim instructors. Kelsey and Mick are currently working opening shifts as well as teaching swim lessons
- Plans are being made to add recreational therapy and more pool parties at the indoor pool but the current staffing constraints prohibits this.

Long-range planning:

- SSA will be setting up a meeting with the City regarding building a shed at the Outdoor Pool. Mick suggested that this meeting happens soon in order to get everything in line for work to happen as soon as we are able in the early Spring.
- Tim stated he has been looking at outdoor pool lighting options for some time and was wondering if the City could possibly have better options with their considerable work with Affinity Lighting here in Dover. Gary stated he would like to know what SSA had in mind for



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lighting and to get him any information already gathered and he would reach out to Affinity Lighting.

Finance and Budget:

We are not anticipating any changes in the budget moving forward and we are on track at this point. Gary reported that the Siemens group has reported that we could save as much as 20% off our heating costs when the boiler upgrade is performed.

Old Business:

CIP:

- Gary is currently juggling the CIP with Chris Parker at City Hall. They are planning on splitting our boiler project into two fiscal years, not one. The design and first phase of demo being in the first year and then the cutover to the new system and demo of the old system in the second.
- We have also applied for grant money stemming from the flooding that occurred to possibly used for the design phase.

Henry Law Adventure Playground:

- We are transitioning to the next season; the splash pad was shut off just after Apple Harvest Day and will be winterized soon. This includes blowing out all of the water in that system and installing plugs in the pad itself to prevent water from entering the system. Gary is working with the splash pad vendor and the city installers that were involved with this project. Councilor O'Connor asked if using an antifreeze would be an option but Gary is confident that with the methods described above the splash pad will be fine through the winter.
- We are still waiting on a sail-like shelter to be installed to provide better shade during the hotter weather.
- More brickwork will be taking place in the future, more hardscape will look great as well as allowing for less maintenance.
- Sue Petersen inquired if there were usage numbers from this past summer. Gary indicated that an in depth study was done by our intern and it indicated that we saw an average of about 300 people per day at the playground.
- Sue Medbery suggested that the CMNH post their open hours on the parking kiosks to avoid patrons paying the fee only to find that they are closed, this frequently occurs on Mondays.

New Business:

Whales Tail:

The sculpture that is to go on top of the Dover Indoor Pool has been completed and is currently in Haverhill, Massachusetts. We are waiting on the structural engineer to finish designs on how to securely attach it to the roof while being able to withstand 105 mph winds (per Dover code).

Other:



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DIP Mural: The Arts Commission has received grant money for this project. The mural will be puzzle pieces that are planned to be backlit with the help of Affinity Lighting.

Pool Lights: Pat Campbell asked if the pool lights could be turned down. Sue Petersen concurred stating that swimming the backstroke in lanes 1 and 6 can be difficult since you're looking straight at the lights. Mick agreed and said he would inform the staff to turn them down when asked.

Adjournment:

Tim made a motion to adjourn. Pat seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 7:53pm.