



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, May 21, 2018
Meeting Time: 7:00pm

Call to Order: Meeting began at 7:00 P.M.

Roll Call:

Representatives Present: Susan Ball, Pat Campbell, Christophe Cloitre, Casandra Lanton, Sue Medbery, Suzanne Petersen (citizen volunteer)

City personnel present: Gary Bannon, Kelsey Boese, Matt Keane

Absent: Jessica Bonello, Tim Paiva, Michael Arsenault

Approval of Agenda:

Pat made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Sue M. seconded. Agenda was approved unanimously.

Approval of Minutes from February 19, 2018:

Pat made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Sue M. seconded. Minutes were approved unanimously.

Approval of Minutes from April 16, 2018:

Sue M. made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Casandra seconded. Minutes were approved unanimously.

Citizens Forum: none

Reports:

Gary:

- Seasonal transition is underway.
- Additional staff members are still being recruited.
- He is working with SSA on the replacement shed at the outdoor pool. The draft design is ready. Who will pay what needs to be determined.

Kelsey/Mick:

- The final spring swim lesson session has begun and classes are full.
- Two new life guards have been hired, but four will be leaving by June 8.
- Newmarket Elementary School is using the pool for lessons Fridays after lap swim.
- The outdoor pool is now open for team practice. All mechanical and heating systems are operating well.
- Kelsey has passed her pool operator exams and is now Certified Pool Operator (CPO).
- Several theme parties are being planned for the outdoor pool.



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Long-Range Planning:

No update available.

Finance and Budget:

- Year-to-date is running pretty close to budget. Expenses are a bit higher due to staffing, but lesson income is up.
- Four meets are scheduled for the outdoor pool this summer; should help to increase revenues.

Whales Tail Update:

The sculpture is ready and in Dover. Engineering plans are done and the roofer is reviewing them. Estimates for installation have yielded a large range that the donors will need to sort out. No date for installation has been determined yet.

Solar Electric Panels Project:

The Children's Museum submitted and was awarded a grant for solar panels. The return on investment for the museum alone is low, so the project will also include the pool. The lease-to-own arrangement needs to be reviewed by the city council. The panels will sit on the roof and will not result in any cutting of roofing materials. Installation could occur before the end of 2018.

Olympian Recognition Signage Status:

The Recreation Advisory Committee has drafted a set of criteria and an application form. Copies were shared with the group. Any comments should be sent to Gary.

New Business

Pool Wall Mural Status:

The project is moving forward and the teens have begun painting the puzzle pieces. The arts commission is trying to find more money for the project.

Summer Facility And Program Schedules:

Mick and Kelsey are working on these. A request was made to have adult lap swim be 2 hours versus the more limited summer schedule that has been followed the last few years.

Heating System Project Status:

Siemens is working on the design, as they know the existing system well. This work is not included in the regular contract. Which company does the final installation has not been determined yet. The goal is for early fall.

Indoor Pool Covers:



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It was noted that the broken cable for one of the large pool covers is probably resulting in wasted energy. The manufacturer indicates that the expected lifetime of the covers is only 5-10 years and also that maintenance is not their forte. Mick and Kelsey are investigating.

Outdoor Pool Evaluation:

While getting the outdoor pool ready for the summer, an overall evaluation was performed to estimate future needs. The liner is holding up well, but some infrastructure will need some attention in the coming years. No major maintenance or upgrades are needed currently.

Budget Approval Impacts:

The FY 2019 budget has been approved by the city council. The expense line for each pool was cut by approximately \$4000. The city manager dictated a modest lesson increase for residents and a significant increase for non-resident rates. Gary will watch carefully to determine if customers can tolerate these increases.

Other Business

Benches:

It was noted that the outdoor pool has several very nice benches and that these benches sit unused during the winter. The indoor pool benches are old and in poor condition and need to be replaced. Gary will look into this.

Matters of Interest

Dolly's Impending Retirement:

Dolly will celebrate 20 years with the pool in June. She plans to retire in mid-August. The committee asked to be included in celebrating her accomplishments.

Adjourn:

Pat made a motion to adjourn. Sue M. seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:05.