



CITY OF DOVER

RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD - MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting
Meeting Location: McConnell Center, 61 Locust Street, Dover, NH 03820
Senior Center Activity Room
Meeting Date: Monday, June 10, 2019
Meeting Time: **6:00pm**

Call to Order

Roll Call

Present: David Beaulieu, William Burr, Brandy Maas, John O'Connor, Aimee Sanderson, Rick Schnable, Heather Twombly, Gary Bannon

Absent: Aaron Wozmak, Lindsey Williams (Both excused) James Boos

Approval of Minutes for May 13, 2019: Moved by John O'Connor, 2nd by Heather Twombly

Citizen Forum: No citizens in attendance

Reports

Advisory Board

New Concerns: Sign at Willand Pond has spray paint damage to the permanent sign

Recreation Director: Gary Bannon

- Willand and Stackpole property water line extension project to Somersworth is underway. The land has been opened up for more usage, plan to clean up the Dover side and repair the road. LWCF grant restrictions for use of the property at some point will need to be addressed.
- Budget adopted, and the Recreation budget shifted some employees' salaries from the Special Revenue Funds to the General fund
- Jenny Thompson pool decking will need to be repaired and piping replaced at some point in the next several years. It was last done 25 years ago
- Summer programs gearing up, staffing turnover is a challenge, unemployment at a low, hard to fill positions, attempting to adjust rates to make hiring easier
- Senior center planning a trip to Iceland, summer trips are full

Old Business

Guppy Park Project Status: There is no option for use of the existing lights at this time so the Men's Softball league moved to Rochester for the summer so now there is the ability to start project sooner

- Land is wet, need to fix drainage, fence and lights
- Working on pricing, goal is to be ready for spring 2020

Skate Park: City council workshop for review, need a public forum

- Tree work and grading planned for this summer
- Urban Tree to complete the work



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Amanda Howard Park Project Update: Abutting parcel purchased last month

- Getting quotes for tree works
- Perimeter fencing around the lower 2/3 of the parcel to be completed
- Gazebo to be placed in the park
- Plan to be completed this summer to include new park equipment

New Business

Whales Tail Installation Review:

- Installation has been completed
- Plan for a “skirt” design for the bottom of the tail and plan for possible lighting

Henry Law Park Playground Update:

- Shade sails are up
- Some problems with the hand pumps due to overuse
- The Gundalow needs painting, attempting to find the right paint combo that won't peel

Fourth of July Plans:

- Construction of bluff will improve visibility
- Band and vendors to return this year
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Butterfield Gym Work:

- Gym floor to be refinished, will take approx. 3 weeks starting 8/5
- Garrison School Park to have pickle ball court expansion, 8 courts with dividers, will start end of June to be completed late July

Parking Lot Oak St and Portland Ave:

- Camper has been parking within the lot each night, moving during the day
- Questioning a new policy regarding the parking of campers in public lots
- Dover Police look to committee to discuss and come up with management plan

MOTION: For Rec Advisory Committee to develop and support a parking policy that addresses the overnight use of park parking lots by occupied vehicles.

Motion approved by all

Summer Meeting Schedule:

Plan to skip August Meeting: Motion made by John O'Conner passed by all

Adjourn: Meeting Adjourned 7:50pm

Submitted by Brandy Maas