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MEETING MINUTES

MEETING DATE: Monday March 8, 2021

PRESENT:

Steve Ozahowski, Chairperson
John Cusolito
Denis Curran
Brad Tilley
Len Dolan
Sean Timmons, Recreation Director

Steve called the meeting to order at 6:06pm

AGENDA ITEMS DISCUSSED:

1. Meeting Minutes

Denis makes a motion to approve the minutes from 3.2.20 & 1.4.21. John 2nd All in Favor 4-0

2. Skate Park Committee Discussion and Presentation

Martha Farrell and Chris Bevilacqua from the Skate Park Committee attended the meeting and updated the board on the work they have been doing and the progress made so b their group. They have been working to identify a location that would be appropriate for a skate park in town. After exploring various areas of town they have come to the conclusion that the Pingree Park Tennis court area would be an ideal spot for a skate park. They believe this space would be ideal because it would allow them to add elements to the project that are not necessarily part of the skate park. An idea for an additional piece was a bike track with dirt piles etc. Martha and Chris plan to engage the community as they develop the scope of the work that would be needed to achieve this project. Eventually they would plan to go to the selectman in Wenham for approval of the project. The rec board would like Martha and Chris to explore a hybrid location between the tennis courts and center field of the babe ruth baseball diamond, so that tennis courts could still remain where they are today.

3. FY22 Budget

Sean shared the fiscal year 22 budget with the committee. He explained that nothing has changed in the budget from the previous year. Sean also explained that there is a plan to merge the two revolving funds into one. Sean has presented the budget to both fin coms and the Hamilton Selectmen. Brad felt like the committee should have met and seen the budget before Sean took it to the selectmen.

Brad makes a motion to support the FY '22 budget. Denis 2nd (All in Favor 4-0)

4. Summer Program Updates

Sean gave the committee a brief update as to where we stand with our summer programs for the park and the pool. The park program information was set to be released on Friday March 12th. Some of the changes made to the program for this summer include the hours now being 8:45-2:30pm with no PM park program due to covid restrictions. The community house will be providing an aftercare program that families can register for. The program will also be shine only this year as adequate indoor space that fits within the covid policies is not possible.

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Information regarding the pool will likely not come out until after April school vacation week as we wait on the state to release guidelines for this summer. The biggest driver of the pool this summer will be the percentage of capacity that is allowed in at one time. We are working on an option that would allow us to offer swim team and potentially some swim lessons.

5. New Business

Steve went to the CPC for the Patton Park tennis court repairs. This item will now move to town meeting for a vote.

Next meeting will be first Monday of the month at 6pm

Adjournment

Denis made a motion to adjourn, Len 2nd - All in favor 4-0.