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MEETING MINUTES

MEETING DATE: Monday, November 29, 2021

PRESENT:

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

Steve called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

AGENDA ITEMS DISCUSSED:

1. Meeting Minutes

Brad makes a motion to approve minutes from 10/18/21 & 8/30/21. 2nd- Dan All in Favor 4-0

2. High School Athletic Complex

Sean updated the committee that the working group for the high school turf project met on November 1st. During this meeting the working group had a zoom call with Gale to discuss the addition of Tennis Courts and a renovation to the existing softball diamond to the plan. The tennis courts would be placed in the project adventure area at the high school and the Middle School Softball Diamond would be converted to turf. Sean informed the committee that Gale was scheduled for a site visit to review any wetland concerns. Sean informed the committee he would provide an update at the next meeting.

3. FY23 Budget

Sean shared The Recreation Department fiscal year'23 budget with the committee. The budget was for items in the general fund (tax payer based) not the revolving fund (fee based). The only real significant changes in the budget include the replacement of the ceiling fans in the gym and any possible salary increases (contractual increases) for the two full time staff positions within the department. Sean informed the committee that the process for budget approval first goes through Hamilton Town officials, Jt. Fincom Meeting, and ultimately voted at Town Meeting.

4. Program Updates

Winter Registration for residents has begun. We have had a good amount of registrations in the first couple of days of resident registration.

Our fall programming went very well the only disappointing part was the cancelling of pumpkin fest this year due to poor weather.

Sean met with people who run the Legion in Hamilton and our department may be able to get access to some of their space for some of our afterschool enrichment programs this winter.

We will also have access to the school gyms for the first time on Friday afternoons this winter.



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5. Wenham CPC Member Appointment

Sean indicated to the committee that we would need to elect a member from Wenham to serve on the Wenham CPC. Dan Curran offered to take the position.

Steve makes a motion to appoint Dan Curran to the Wenham CPC. 2nd – Len All in Favor 4-0

5. New Business

Sean shared with the committee that the Wenham open space committee is conducting a study to see what might be a good use for the West Wenham Park. They will present the findings on Wednesday 12/1. Sean is curious to see the survey results that they gathered prior to putting together this presentation. Sean will inform the committee at their next meeting of the findings.

Adjournment

Dan made a motion to adjourn, Setve 2nd - All in favor 4-0

Respectfully submitted as approved at October 18, 2021 meeting
Danielle Kiely, Administrative Assistant