

## **Recreation Committee**

**June 24, 2020**

**4:00PM, Center Office Building/ 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room**

**Members in attendance:** MaryLou Volpe (MV), Erin Carson (EC), Cindy Forgit (CF), Jeff Shapiro (JS), Kadion Phillips (KP), Annie Roscioli (AR)

**Members Absent:**

**Others in Attendance:** Jeff Bridges Town Administrator

**OPENING OF MEETING:** MV made motion to open meeting at 4:03 PM

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES** 6/9/20- tabled

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Re-Opening MA: Discussion on Courts, Youth Sports, Programming, Summer Recreation Program.**

AR shared with the Committee that the State/Outdoor Recreation Task Force Committee have now updated the guidelines to directly address and prohibit outdoor performances of any type. AR shared that Phase 3 is now expected to open on July 6, but this may be postponed. AR recommended that the Committee meet on July 7<sup>th</sup> to review any updated guidelines with the hope to host July or August concerts. MV asked if this guidance is only a recommendation, and JB confirmed that the recommendations we are receiving are guidance to implement State executive orders. JB asked Erin Carson if she had any additional information she would like to share from a Health Dept perspective. EC shared her opinion that as a Town entity we should be following recommendations from the Governor and to keep moving forward as requested. EC asked about the online advertisements that she has seen for local establishments offering outdoor entertainment like singing, and that it would nice to have concise information on this. MV asked if that is due to being a private location. AR confirmed that the guidelines for Indoor and Outdoor Dining do not directly prohibit solo artist performances; however, local BOH confirmed that it was still not permitted at this time. AR shared that it seems to be a loophole in the restaurant focused guidelines, however the guidance specifically for Recreation was still very clear on prohibiting outdoor performances. MV agreed that we should meet on July 7<sup>th</sup> if there is nothing we can do about it at this time. EC shared her concerns about the guidelines and requirements that may come out, and asked if we are able to figure this for a last minute event. CF asked how financially committed we are to the bands and short notice cancellations, AR confirmed she would have to contact the bands directly and request their approval to a 48 notice of play or cancellation. AR asked if the Committee would like to request a 48 hour notice for the July 9<sup>th</sup> band.

- a. **MV made a motion to cancel the July 2<sup>nd</sup> Concert and to reconvene on July 7<sup>th</sup> to determine if we can proceed with the Concert Series. Seconded by EC Vote 5-0.**

### **2. Outdoor Educational Activities.** AR reviewed the information she had provided to the committee on the newly updated requirements for Outdoor Classes and said they appear very manageable. AR stated the current Recreation Staff would host tennis lessons, outdoor fitness, crafts and music lessons, kid's movements, and 1 day classes as well such as bracelet making or tie dye. AR explained that most of these classes will meet twice weekly, with one morning session and one afternoon session. MV stated that this is a good alternative to the usual program.

- a. **MV made a motion to accept the Youth Outdoor Activities Guidelines as written. Seconded by KP. Vote 5-0.**

## **Old Business**

## **PROPERTY USAGE REQUESTS**

**ADJOURNMENT:** KP made motion to adjourn meeting at 4:21 PM. Seconded by MV. Vote 5-0.

**Tentative Next Meeting:** Tuesday July 7, 2020 at 4:00 PM.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Annie Roscioli**

**Recreation Director**