

## **Recreation Committee**

**July 28, 2020**

**4:30PM, Virtual Meeting**

**Members in attendance:** Erin Carson (EC), Kadion Phillips (KP), Cindy Forgit (CF), Annie Roscioli (AR)

**Members Absent:** MaryLou Volpe, Jeff Shapiro

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

**OPENING OF MEETING:** Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting law, G.L. c. 30A Section 18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitations on the number people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Sturbridge Recreation Committee will be conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible. Specific information and the general guidelines for remote participation can be found on the Town's website at <https://www.sturbridge.gov/town-administrator/pages/how-access-virtual-meeting>. For this meeting, members of the public who wish to listen and or watch the meeting either online via the Town's on demand video broadcast, on cable television on channel 191, or dial into the meeting at 774-304-1455, enter 1428# for the meeting number and 12345 for the access code. (This phone number is only active for the public during public meetings). No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted, but every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings in real time, via technological means. In the event that we are unable to do so, despite best efforts, we will post of the Town's website an audio or video recording, transcript, or other comprehensive record of the proceedings as soon as possible after the meeting.

KP made motion to open meeting at 4:14 PM.

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES** 6-9-20, 6-24-20, 7-7-20- tabled

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1. **August Concerts on the Common Discussion.** AR shared that guidelines have been updated however they have become more strict with additional requirements. There is still a maximum of 100 people including bands, staff, audience. A singer can now be 10 ft apart from other band members, who must now be wearing masks during their performance. AR verified our biggest concern, crowd sized, has not been changed at this time. CF agreed we are in the same position as a month ago and we lack the man power for enforcement. AR shared that she did contact the high school with the idea of a drive in concert, but the high school is unable to support the event at this time.
  - a. **EC made a motion to cancel the remained of the Concert Series. Seconded by KP. Vote 3-0.**
2. **Bandstand and Pavilion maintence.** AR reviewed the quotes that were distributed to the Committee. Quote 1 is for the Recreation Area Pavillion, Andrew Porter Contracting, grand total of \$4,100.00. The second quote is for GHB construction for general maintence on the Town Common. This work was organized through Bob Briere in preparation of what would have been our Silver Anniversary Celebration.
  - a. **EC made a motion to accept the \$4,100.00 quote to repair the Recreation Pavillion. Seconded by KP. Vote 3-0.**
  - b. **EC made a motion to accept the \$1,533.32 quote for general maintence repairs on the Town Common gazebo. Seconded by KP. Vote 3-0.**
3. **Update on Youth Educational Programs.** AR provided an update on the current outdoor classes and the positive feedback and attendance levels we're received so far. While one class was canceled due to lack of registration (dance and yoga), other classes such as Tennis, Arts, and Fitness will be adding additional sessions due to high attendance.

## **PROPERTY USAGE REQUESTS**

**ADJOURNMENT:** KP made motion to adjourn meeting at 4:28 PM. Seconded by EC.

**Tentative Next Meeting:** To Be Determined pending COVID-19 situation

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Annie Roscioli**

**Recreation Director**