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**Easton Park and Recreation Commission
Monday, November 2nd, 2020
Via Zoom
Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Called to Order at: 6:35pm

Present via zoom: Phil Tamallanca, Rocky Sullivan, Chris Barcello, Tom Cable, Ray Longo, Dave Gombos, AJ Martinich, Lisa Farasciano, Danielle Alves, Alison Luciana.

Guests: Mike Clark, Chris Lemos.

Absentee(s):

1. Acceptance of Meeting Minutes from October 5th, 2020

Tom Cable made a motion to accept the minutes.

AJ Martinich: second

All in favor

Acceptance of Meeting Minutes from October 14th, 2020

AJ Martinich made a motion to accept the special meeting minutes.

Chris Barcello: second

All in favor

2. Discussion and approval of the Financial reports

a) Operating budget, discussion and approval

A discussion was held regarding the Operating budget.

Ray Longo made a motion to accept the operating budget.

Tom Cable: Second

All in favor

b) Field Use Report, discussion and approval

A discussion was held regarding the Field Use Report.

Ray Longo made a motion to accept the field use report.

Tom Cable - Second

All in favor

3. Maintenance and Field Info Review

a) Discussion Easton Baseball 50/70 Reno & Scoreboard FOD

A discussion was held regarding the work being done on the 50/70 field and Director Danielle Alves gave specifications on the scoreboard at FOD and installation quotes.

b) Discussion regarding Maintenance Personnel

Maintenance personnel Chris Lemos and Mike Clark joined the discussion regarding their winter season work hours. The discussion centered around the reasons both maintainers feel a 6:00 am start time is essential and the commission members concerns about productivity in winter. It was determined by the Commission that these hours would remain the same with a start time of 6:00 am and the Director would continue to monitor productivity. It was noted that a plan would be put in place for the upcoming snow removal policies.

4. Recreation and Extended Day Review

a) Discussion and approval of the Activity Account

A discussion was held regarding various activities and the extended day program. Programmer Lisa Farasciano discussed the various programs, including the implementation of more zoom classes throughout the winter months. A discussion was held regarding the protocols that are in place when a member of the school faculty or student body at SSES contracts COVID.

Tom Cable made a motion to accept the activity account

Chris Barcello: Second

All in favor

5. Unfinished Business

a) Discussion on Pickleball Courts

A brief discussion was held regarding the variables in the new build of pickleball courts.

b) Discussion on COVID updates for Dept.

A discussion was held regarding the department and safety precautions in place because of COVID.

c) Discussion on Hiking Trails at Morehouse

A discussion was held regarding the project of clearing hiking trails and the possibility of SHU donating some funds to the project.

d) Discussion & possible action on Board of Finance, DPW discussion.

A discussion was had finalizing the letter that will be sent to the courier stating the Commission's response to the Board of Finance's letter. Commission member Rocky Sullivan, made a motion stating, "We, the Park and Rec Commission, strongly feel that the Board of Finance members proposal to shift two staff positions to DPW would be detrimental to the town for the overall care and maintenance of town properties and athletic fields. This proposal as presented would not provide any savings and would add work to an already overtaxed Department of Public Works."

AJ Martinich - Second

All in favor

6. New Business

None

7. Commissioner's Comments

Phil Tamallanca discussed interest in a formal discussion between the ECC board and the Park and Rec commission in the upcoming months.

8. Public Comment

none

9. Discussion and Approval of monthly accident/incident reports.

No incidents

10. Adjournment: Motion to Adjourn at 8.18pm

AJ Martinch made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Dave Gombos - Second

All in favor

Submitted by: Alison Luciana, P&R Secretary