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Easton Park and Recreation Commission Monday, April 5th, 2021 Via Zoom Meeting Minutes

Meeting Called to Order at: 6.35pm

Present via zoom: Phil Tamallanca, Chris Barcello, Rocky Sullivan, Ray Longo, Dave Gombos,

Danielle Alves, Alison Luciana.

Guests: Pete Kokenos, Devon Wible, Jud Wible, Ira Kaplan Absentee(s): AJ Martinich, Tom Cable, Lisa Farasciano,

1. Acceptance of Meeting Minutes from March 1, 2021

There was a discussion on the march minutes

- 2. Discussion and approval of the Financial reports
 - a) Operating budget, discussion and approval

A discussion was held regarding the Operating budget.

b) Field Use Report, discussion and approval

A discussion was held regarding the Field Use Report.

c) Discussion and possible action on the 2021/22 budget BOF Meetings

A discussion was held regarding the capital requests for the 2021/22 budget season.

- 3. Maintenance and Field Info Review
 - a) Discussion and possible action on ECC field request

A discussion was had regarding a field rental request from the ECC. It was determined that the department would lower the fee by \$1000 as a gesture of goodwill during this difficult year. Devon Wible, a member of the ECC board said she appreciated the gesture.

b) Winter Review

Director, Danielle Alves, gave a brief review on the maintenance department work over the winter months.

c) Easton Baseball Batting Cage Location

Pete Kokenos, from Easton Baseball, was in attendance to discuss the possible installation of a batting cage. The project and location were discussed and it was determined that the Planning and Zoning Board would be contacted next.

- 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. It was noted that extended day was doing well and other programs were beginning to run as usual.

b)Discussion and possible action on Tennis Court Rentals

A discussion was had regarding the possibility of creating a policy regarding tennis court usage.

5. Unfinished Business

a) Discussion on Capital Requests

A discussion was had regarding capital requests for the 2021/22 budget season and the requests the department would be putting forward for consideration.

b) Discussion on COVID updates for Dept.

A discussion was held regarding the department's COVID safety precautions.

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

A discussion was held regarding the past BOF meeting and the proposal brought forward by two BOF members to defund the department. Possible action by the department and commission members was discussed.

d) Discussion on Morehouse Property Walking Trails

Commission member, Dave Gombos, discussed the walking trails at Morehouse Park and the possibility of creating a 'nature's classroom' at the location and utilizing the generous gesture of residential volunteers.

e) Discuss Field Use Policy

A discussion was held regarding the number of teams looking to rent fields and the revenue that can be generated for the department.

6. New Business

none.

7. Commissioner's Comments

none.

8. Public Comment

Jud Wible, the AYSO Easton director, stated that he was thankful for the Park & Recreation team throughout the years and that he looked forward to the program working with the department in future years.

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

No incidents

10. Adjournment: Motion to Adjourn at 8.26pm

Submitted by: Alison Luciana, P&R Secretary