



PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Minutes to VIRTUAL MEETING held May 6, 2020

Present: John MacLachlan (minutes), Chris Fasciano, Sarah Chester, Annie Spieth, Margit Griffith, Dan Pereira, David Sequeira

Absent: Doug Carson

Guests: Rob Stringer

Decisions:

Anonymous donation of \$2,500 accepted and approved.

Discussion of Department and Town Finances

Department is trailing 2019 by \$100,000 and there is the possibility that this shortfall will not be made up. Additional losses may occur due to the possibility of not opening the camp or pool. Options for refunding or crediting to 2021 discussed.

Spring expenses - saving roughly \$50,000 due to the shutdown.

Town - Finance Department has estimated a \$500,000 shortfall for 2020 and \$600,00 to \$800,000 over the next few years. As a town, shortfall not dire as town does not heavily rely on State funding.

Programing and Services

Virtual Programs will be offered and interest in such programs will be gauged.

Irrigation project - Target date for installation is now August 2020. Contract will be awarded in mid-June and completion around Labor Day.

Facilities:

Codman Pool - Kirkland & Shaw has de-winterized the pool. June 13 opening is on track. Lifeguarding course will be offered the first week of June.

Athletic Fields

Wang - Plantings to be done in a week.

Playgrounds and Sports Court - These will be the last to open and will need to receive frequent sanitation.

Parks and Rec offices - Offices are open for employee use only but most work is being done remotely.

Public events - Kids' Triathlon has a tentative back update of August 2nd.