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Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting - October 19, 2020

Attendance: Chris Fasciano (chair), John MacLachlan, Annie Speith, Rob Stringer, Margit Griffith (minutes); Laurie Dumont, David Sequira; Dan Pereira

Chris Fasciano opened the meeting reviewing the temporary Covid-19 open meeting protocols.

Decisions:

- Capital Planning FY22 - Town Offices Field - Stantec Feasibility Review: committee reviewed proposal (included in meeting packet); David will check with Conservation Commission regarding elements that may have been completed (wetland flagging from 2 years ago); Stantec also included an option for a design using synthetic material... which is not an option for that field; Chris wanted to be sure that applications to CPC and CapCom had been considered.

- Parks and Recreation Hiring Director (monthly check-in): David and Laurie are managing well... for now... they are concerned about trying to hire while ramping summer programs; will be discussed again in November.

Facilities:

Codman - tanks for irrigation are in

Wang: Birches School employee is concerned that the birch trees around field seem compromised and need to be removed; Conservation think the trees are okay; winterization is being done

Sport Court: a new price quote is coming after contacting a new rep at the company

Mowing Contract: for 2021-2022; plan is to continue with Park Landscape; there may be some additional mowing on Mary's Way which Highway Dept will pay for

Pierce Park: programs being held there are going well; PRD staff will provide feedback to Pierce staff/board about shared use of space

Programming:

- Fall Program participation numbers were reviewed (reports in meeting packet) Might be valuable to look at capacity... the number of "seats" in all programs offered vs how many filled (this might give a good perspective given we can't run as many programs during Covid-19)

- Tri Town Basketball is still being considered; Wayland and Weston are waiting for permissions to use gyms; likely to be a little more "skills and drills"; Sudbury doing their won program; also looking into "SkyHawks" vendor
- Public Events: Trunk or Treat - discussion of safety and logistics, hoping for a few more trunks and plenty of treaters; Winter Carnival - there are a few PRD activities that are possible during Covid-19 (depending on where things stand at the time), public skating? bonfire? food trucks?

Finances:

- Outstanding balance Report and Revenue report were both reviewed

Other Topics:

- School Building: Chris reported on budget and on schedule; "Friends of Lincoln School Project" found alternative funding to put a few items back in the plan... Ogden Codman grant to cover the cost of bike paths on Brooks side, hoping to add bike paths for Smith back in (they have until the end of 2021, when that part of the project comes around)
- CPC: John didn't have anything to report
- Ginger Riener had written to remind the board to consider bike-centric/accessible events. Depending on Covid-10 phases/protocols, keeping people inside cars is sometimes the best or only option. But the PRD will consider some bike options.

October Meeting Minutes from September 21, 2020 were unanimously approved.

Next Meeting Dates: November 16 and December 21st

Respectfully Submitted,
Margit Griffith