Lafayette Recreation Committee

June 2021

Recreation Committee Minutes   6/3/21

In attendance: Nicole MacKay, Kent Butterfield, Adam Boyer, Mike McKeever, Cindy Berlack, Haley Ireland

Kim Cowles, Rec Director

Gillian Cahill, Summer Program Director

Absent: Gordi Johnk, Launa Glover

The meeting was brought to order by chairman Boyer at 4:30 pm in the Town Hall.

The minutes from the May meeting were approved.

**Welcome Center**

-Water main is being moved to closer to Interstate; the building location has more options

-Mike McKeever has an architect friend who is designing the building

---researching building code for bathrooms, 2 unisex stalls

---1 will be Handicap accessible

-add storage space in loft with stairs

**Baseball**

-T ball going well, 16 players

-grades 2-3,    2 more games

-grades 4-5 joined with Bethlehem

**Softball**

-only 2 girls interested

-same in entire area

-ideas to create interest: ask PE teachers in area to teach softball

**Summer Rec Program**

-Counsellors:

---tough to hire counsellors, need 1 more

---3 Counsellors in Training (CIT), 14-15 year olds

---Pay more to attract counsellors ( approved to raise pay for proven counsellors to $15/hr., others $14/hr.)

-Lisa Jacobs is organizing Lifeguard cert class, with in pool test

Covid Protocol:

-Parents stay in cars to drop off

-Weekly questionnaire

-sign Covid liability waiver

-send child home if have NEW symptoms

-no daily temperature check

-ask Primex (Town insurance) if there are any questions

**Summer Events**

-Juny 17 – Movie on Dow, organized by the Walker family

-July 10-Old Home Day: parade (new route), concert (WSHB), fireworks

  Community church: yard sale, pie for breakfast

FFD hosting barbeque, SHFD hosting duck race

No 5k this year

No yard sale at Catholic church

Artisans

-June 25 -Big Band

-Chamber Players:

---Free concerts all summer

---matching gift up to $50,000

---Sunday, June 13, on Dow, first one

-August 11

---Kim planning volunteer appreciation event/party on Dow—could include food trucks, BBQ, band.

Triathlon

---cancelled this year due to restrictive guidelines

**Dow Tennis Court**

---Complete renovation/new court tabled for now.

---New plan is to make minor repairs to existing Dow court to make it usable for this summer, Cindy has been spearheading these efforts along w/ a volunteer crew.

---Temporary court also set up at rink.

---Need to assess use level this summer, will give committee valuable court use/interest information moving forward with this project.

---Profile had tennis court fund, but is no longer pursuing a school court. That money will be available for Dow court renovations. Adam and Cindy have been working on this aspect.

--Kim coordinating w/ town attorney regarding liability/insurance issues. Court can be added to town’s insurance policy.

--Selectboard vote on MOA w/ Dow Academy pending—scheduled for next board meeting.

**Other items**

--Pickeball🡪gaining interest. Kim working on this, will be setting up schedule. Rink lined for pickleball and nets available.

Meeting adjourned at 5:37 pm

Respectfully submitted by Haley Ireland