



TOWN OF BOXBOROUGH NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING Meeting Minutes

BOARD/COMMITTEE: Recreation Commission

MEETING DATE: March 10, 2021

TIME: 7:35 P.M.

PLACE: Virtual Meeting

Members Present: Hilary Greven, Becca Edson, Megan Connor, Rick Barrett, Claudine Lesk

Members Absent: Stacey O'Connell

Other Attendees: John Markiewicz, Jennifer Barrett, Anne McNeece, Heather Whitney

Summary of discussion of each topic

1. Review of Meeting Minutes from February

Becca made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from February; seconded by Rick; all in favor 5-0.

2. Flerra Summer Playground

Registration will be capped at 110 children with pods of 10 students and 2 counselors.

We reviewed the Registration Form which included the cost of \$100 per week with a 2-week maximum registration and option to join a waitlist to attend additional weeks. Rick made a motion to approve the Registration Form for Flerra Summer Program in July 2021; seconded by Megan; all in favor 5-0.

The tent has been reserved. It is 40 x 70 ft which is larger than years past. Flerra will run July 5-30th. Registration will be \$100 for the week which includes a \$10 COVID fee for additional supplies and staff.

Kate Contini is not going to return as a director, but will help plan for Flerra. Brian Picca, Courtney Stevens, Laura Spurling will all return as directors. We have received an application for a director position from Sarah O'Rourke.

We have \$6,000 available for planning for Flerra before June 30th. The coming Fiscal Year's budget includes funding for 18-22 counselors. Porta potties and hand washing stations will come out of funds available July 1st.

We reviewed the Counselor Application and added a reminder that we need them to work for all 4 weeks and ask which age group they would like to work with. Becca made a motion to approve the Counselor Application; Megan seconded; all in favor 5-0.

3. Liberty Field Project

We reviewed the warrant article for the \$1.2 million bonded for the remainder of the Liberty Field project. Megan made a motion to approve this article; Hilary seconded; all in favor 5-0.

We reviewed the warrant article for \$230,000 bonded for laying the groundwork in the event that the previous article does not pass. Hilary made a motion to approve this article; Rick seconded; all in favor 5-0.

Megan and Hilary have been working with Rajon on planning a Public Forum for Liberty Field. We have set the date of April 1st 7:30-9:00pm. We will get the word out through Blanchard and post flyers around town.

Hilary will talk with Holly Kuovo about the adult fitness equipment to make sure it is not too easy.

We should write recommendations for the three Liberty Field articles to be included in the warrant.

We should let people know that if we do not do the project all at once, each time we mobilize it will cost ~\$30,000 and need to account for 5% inflation.

4. Scoreboard Donation

Megan was contacted by Dave Ayotte and Associates of Chelmsford about an opportunity from the Electrician's Union Local 104 to offer a scoreboard for a field in town. We would need to install, but the union typically cuts a check to the town. We can make this scoreboard for multi-sports too. i.e.. softball and baseball. They are doing these in Princeton, Rowley, Holden, Sterling, Littleton, Shrewsbury.

Rick met with Dave at Liberty and he thinks that the scoreboard would be great down the right-field line. The Electrical Union provides \$10,000 towards it and anything extra can go towards installing it. We could utilize Tae Kwon Do funds towards installing.

Rick also met with Dave at Flerra to discuss the batting cage. We would need to install something to go under the cage such as a mat, stone dust, or a concrete platform. The cage would be able to be taken down at the end of the season.

5. Other Business

Warrant Article for the infield groomer- we need to take a vote on this and write a recommendation. Megan made a motion for the Recreation Commission's support of the baseball infield groomer; Rick seconded; all in favor 5-0.

Motion to Adjourn at 9:04 pm by Rick; seconded by Hilary; all in favor 5-0.

List of Exhibits used, if any: February 2021 meeting minutes