LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MARBLEHEAD OBSERVER REPORT

Recreation and Parks Board Meeting Tuesday, August 4, 2020, 4:30 on Zoom. LWVM Observer: Kay Rieper

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Chip Osborne. All members except Matt Martin were present. The minutes were approved.

Brian Wheeler spoke to the meeting about his plans for live entertainment at the Neck Run deck. His plan was approved assuming he fills out the state paperwork for Covid compliance for liability reasons. He has nothing specific planned but hopes to organize something for August 15 keeping Covid protocols

Rink Study Meeting

Derek Norcross reported on the recent meeting. A consultant will report at a meeting next Wednesday about feasible sites, what kind of facility could be built, cost, who would run it, etc.

Programs

Jaime Bloch reported on extending programs an extra two weeks now that school is starting later and staff is available longer. Clinics with coaches are being held. She plans to hold fall programs outside as much as possible and even into the winter (with tents?). The Board approved a new hire for the beach through September.

Facilities

Peter James reported that he will have the fallen basketball hoop at Gatchell's repaired.

The house at Stramski's will be painted a light gray with white trim and a black door. Dean Cuzner will clear the weeds and fix the fence bordering the Guy's property.

It was suggested to cut back on watering and fertilizing the athletic fields if there are no sports in the fall. They would go dormant and not be damaged.

Beach revenue is up \$2000 because of no lifeguards. Next year a new shed will be needed.

It was suggested and approved that beach season continue till the end of September (changed on the website) weather permitting.

Permits were approved for several weddings at Chandler Hovey, the Charter School graduation on August 30 at Reynolds Playground from 4:30 to 6 (rain date, August 31), and for a Temple Sinai Rosh Hashanah service at Devereux Beach on 9/20 from 1 to 2 pm. Peter will work to accommodate them with a cordoned off space and parking area, and boardwalk access.

The next meeting will be in two weeks.