



## OBSERVER REPORT

Recreation and Parks Meeting  
Wednesday, July 13, 2020 5:30 pm  
Community Center Conference Room  
LWVM Observer - Kay Rieper

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Derek Norcross. All members were present: Linda Rice-Collins, Karin Ernst, Matt Martin, Rossanna Ferrante, and directors Peter James and Jaime Bloch.

### Appearance

Ben Willard came before the Board with a proposal to do float work at Riverhead Beach. The Commission will check with the Town Planner and Town Counsel about the ability to have two vendors working there, and then they will have to work out logistics.

A motion was made to have clear signage at Riverhead Beach for boat trailers, stating that they can remain for 24 hours after which, they will be moved and owners will be fined \$20 per day.

### Park Update

The work at Hobbs Playground is underway. There will be an extra cost to the Department to remove the old equipment. The Department will donate the labor to prepare the site.

The tennis court resurfacing has been underway for a week. The Department approved purchasing new nets and bases at a cost of \$5875. The pickle ball group will be asked to donate \$900 for their nets.

At the Stramski house, they are working on a way to bring the water in without having to go under the SESD sewer line. They are working out issues about the fire code and handicap access.

The contract is out for the roof at the Nature Center, and the railing at Crocker Park is being fixed.

Two seasonal maintenance hires were approved.

## Recreation Update

The playground programs are operating at full capacity, and the kids at the various morning sports clinics can join the playground for the afternoon. Some behavior problems (some physical and some language) are being addressed by issuing warnings and dismissal after the third offense.

The new sailboats are a big hit.

Jaime is excited about the Christmas in July program on July 24, and program planning for fall is well underway.

A draft of a Memo of Understanding will be presented to the Bike Track committee pending the approval of the Town Counsel and insurance.

For the Tree Committee project, the Commission would like a plan and dollar figure for the Community Center and Chandler Honey sites.

## Correspondence

Weddings were approved for July 30 and September 9 at Chandler Hovey.

The next meeting will be on August 2.