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Avon Park and Recreation Commission
65 East Main Street, Avon, MA 02322

Daniel Hart Chairperson
Marci Kovick Commissioner
Matthew Ferro Commissioner
Kya Murray Recording Secretary

Benjamin Chapman Vice Chairperson
Jocelyn Lyons Commissioner
Jennifer Mayo Program Director

April 28, 2021

Members present: Daniel Hart, Chairman
Benjamin Chapman, Vice Chairman
Marci Kovick, Commissioner
Matthew Ferro, Commissioner

Others present: Jennifer Mayo, Director

Chairman Hart announced that pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020, Order suspending certain provisions of the Opening Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, & 18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020, Order imposing a strict limitation of the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Park and Recreation Board is being conducted via remote participation. No in- person attendance of members of the public was permitted, but every effort was made to ensure that the public can access the proceeding as provided for in the order. Chairman Hart reminded the viewing audience that persons who would like to view the meeting while in progress may do so by joining the Zoom link for the videoconference.

Chairman Hart called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m. with all members present through the videoconference Zoom. Each Board member acknowledged their presence at the meeting by responding in the affirmative during the roll call.

The Board took the time to welcome new member, Matthew Ferro to the Park and Recreation Board of Commissioners.

Minutes

Tabled to a future meeting.

Summer Program

Chairman Hart updated the Board from the salary workshop meeting with the Board of Selectman on April 28, 2021. The Board of selectman approved the new proposed salary rates for all Park & recreation seasonal staff. Seasonal summer job descriptions will be updated and

posted by the end of the week. Director Mayo updated the Board on her conversation with Kathleen Waldron, Board of Health, with the new outdoor gathering guidelines, operating at one location this summer may be an option.

The Board had a discussion on purchasing cooling tents and larger tent for shading for the Summer Program. Director Mayo will research pricing and reach out to the Town Administrator about funding for these purchases. The discussion will continue at the next meeting.

Commissioner Kovick made a motion to change the year-round, part-time position title from Youth Program Director to Recreation Director. Vice Chairman Chapman second the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Ferro voted aye. Commissioner Kovick voted aye. Vice Chairman Chapman voted aye. Chairman Hart voted aye. The motion carried.

Miller Tracy mural/playground

No update – tabled to a future meeting.

Spring Events

Director Mayo updated the Board on April vacation event sign ups and participation. Archery and the virtual paint night were well attended, the Drums Alive had a lower turnout. For the month of May, we will continue to offer the Home Depot kits to families for pick up along with any leftover crafts, with school back to in-person learning the number of families picking up has gone down.

Civic Center work update

DPW still needs to complete painting on one wall. No update from the Town Administrator on the flooring project.

UniBank

The online payment center is ready to go we are just waiting on approval from Town Council.

Vice Chairman Chapman made a motion to open the online payment center when we receive approval from Town council. The payment center will close on May 28, 2021. Commissioner Ferro second the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Kovick voted aye. Commissioner ferro voted aye. Vice chairman Chapman voted aye. Chairman Hart voted aye. The motion carried.

Screen purchase

No update – tabled to a future meeting.

Tennis courts

The courts have been cleaned up by DPW. Dan will follow up with the tree warden to get a timeline for trees to be trimmed. The Board will continue to contact companies to come and assess work that needs to be completed.

Department Head meeting update

No update – the April meeting was postponed.

DPW update

All needed repairs at the Sylvester Fields and Mills playground have been completed, they included slide repair, benches, vents on shed, and fencing. They will begin cleaning up on the stone dust field at Butler for use by the AMHS JV baseball team.

Director Mayo updated the Board on her meeting with DPW and the AMHS Athletic Director. The Butler soccer field will not be used for sports until August, DPW will continue work throughout the spring/summer. Baseball/softball season will begin on May 5, 2021, practices and games will be held at Noonan, Butler and Sylvester fields. The Athletic Director will provide a schedule when available.

Fagan Drive shed

Avon Youth Baseball will submit a written plan for painting the inside of the shed to be discussed at the next meeting.

The murals for the shed were chosen. The left side will say Panther Pride with the AMHS logo, the right side will be Avon Youth Baseball logo, and the back will be a baseball/purple ribbon with the words “Carl’s Crew.” Dan will send mural plans to the Board of Selectmen for review and contact Home Depot for a paint donation for the project.

Vice Chairman Chapman made a motion to paint the shed with an appropriate base color, chosen by the artist and the 3 murals chosen by the Board. Commissioner Kovick second the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Ferro voted aye. Commissioner Kovick voted aye. Vice Chairman Chapman voted aye. Chairman Hart voted aye. The motion carried.

Adjournment

At 8:16 p.m. Commissioner Kovick made a motion to adjourn. Vice Chairman Chapman second the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Ferro voted aye. Commissioner Kovick voted aye. Vice Chairman Chapman voted aye. Chairman Hart voted aye. The motion carried.

List of Documents

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Respectfully submitted,



Jennifer Mayo
Recreation Director