

**WESTON RECREATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 2022, 7:00 PM**

Pursuant to Gov. Baker's Executive Order dated March 12, 2020 modifying the requirements of the Open Meeting Law, the Recreation Commission met remotely via Zoom meeting platform.

Members Present: Eric Rosenthal (Chair), Melissa Crocker, Julie Johnstone, Maija Cirulis-Gooch, Marcy Dorna, Trevor MacDonald and Adam King

Staff: Chris Fitzgerald (Director), Sharon Locke (Assistant Director), Lauren Smith (Program Coordinator)

Guests: Bharath Venkataraman, Dawn Kurzon, Gerri Skoll, Taylor McIntire, Kate Meaney, Al Aydelott, Adrienne Giske

Resident Comments: None

Previous Meeting Minutes: The December 2021 meeting minutes were reviewed and approved.

Memorial Pool Renovation

Chris Fitzgerald, Adam King, Eric Rosenthal

Mr. Fitzgerald presented an initial draft of the pool renovation design and budget estimates with specific items being able to be removed to analyze budget impact. Mr. King pointed out that the plan was not final and there would be a public hearing to discuss specifics and address any questions. A discussion took place among the commission discussing the different levels of renovation and what should be included in each level, ranking features from important to least important. Several key points included:

- A site visit was needed to better understand the impact on the property.
- A need to talk to specific community groups and stake holders in town to gain feedback and build support.
- Get feedback on attendance and revenue impact from towns who have recently undergone pool renovations.

Mr. Venkataraman suggested that the finance committee would want the recreation commission to look at the bigger picture and present more than one option to the Finance Committee – one that shows what's absolutely necessary and one or more to show what's "extra".

Ms. Skoll suggested that the recreation commission press the designer for a time line because time is running out to plan for the CPC meeting and town meeting.

Ms. Johnstone stated that Recreation Commission must include at least some amenities in any presentation it does. As the recreational board in town, proposing rehabilitation without extra amenities defeats our purpose.

Town Report

Chris Fitzgerald

Mr. Fitzgerald asked for feedback on a draft of the 2021 Recreation Town Report. Updates will be presented in February for review and approval.

Department Updates

Chris Fitzgerald

- **Budget:** Mr. Fitzgerald met with the Finance Committee and presented the budget. He highlighted the cost cutting effort and the better than expected revenue results from FY 21.
- **Memorial Pool Badge Rates:** Mr. Fitzgerald recommended that the Memorial Pool membership badge rates remain the same in 2022 as they were in 2021. After a brief discussion the commission agreed.
 - **Motion: The 2022 membership badge rates for Memorial Pool remain the same as the 2021 rates.**
Moved: Ms. Cirulis-Gooch Second: Ms. Johnstone
Roll Call Vote take; all in favor none opposed
Motion passes unanimously.

Future Meetings:

Mr. Fitzgerald will send out a Doodle Pool to determine the next meeting date

The Meeting Adjourned at 9:30 pm