

BELMONT RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2016

Present: David Kane, Anthony Ferrante, Anne Helgen, June Howell, Jay Marcotte, Mary Bradley, Matt Sullivan, Lynn Findlay, Ann Beré, Frank Sartori, Heidi Barberio, Jim Williams

Meeting called to order 7:04 Pm

Minutes approved with amendments to be made.

Sports Groups A meeting has been set up for December 19th. David and Anne will sit down and talk ahead of time so they know what they want to say to the group

Rink Schedule June will be sending out invoices for Valley and another league. An email will go out concerning the price. Price is not \$200, but \$240.

Off Leash Some wording was changed in booklet. Board of Health is meeting on Monday, 12/12. DPW will make the signs (page 3) for the fields. Wording will change on the bottom of Page 2, regarding Payson Park (dog free).

PQ Playground group question Looking for another sign for the fence "No Dogs allowed in tot lot". A new sign will be made with better wording than is on signs now.

ON GOING BUSINESS

Management: Lorraine Benoit, long time manager of the Underwood Pool is officially retired. The Certificate of Occupancy has been granted to the Town for the Underwood Pool.

Flotation devices question - One person would like us to allow flotation devices for young children. Discussion ensued and a motion was put forth and approved for No flotation devices of any kind will be allowed in the Underwood Pool

Residents concerns - People were encouraged to send an email or phone if they had any things to say about the pool. Only received 2 emails. Complaints were made at the front desk mostly.

Summary of suggestions/concern at Underwood Pool

- No non-resident memberships for long time Belmont residents who have moved
- Diving board – No running, forward facing, no inwards, no backwards. Put this on a sign.
- Shading – not enough room for more. The other side of the pool has trees to shade it.

- Balls in pool – small, squishy water balls only. May sell them at the front desk. Only allowed in certain areas.
- Flexibility on height/ability rule on slide - Parents cannot be at the end of the slide to catch a child.
- Adult only pool time – 7-8 am time now.
- Rubber pants, clarity wanted on the need for them – will keep this rule
- Extended season request – not this year because it is not in the budget. Will look into the possibility for the summer of 2018.
- Toddler lessons – be clearer on restrictions and make sure parents are aware of the rules.
- Pizza boxes carry in/carry out - this is mandatory that people take their boxes out.
- Reserve spaces for birthday parties – No
- Supervision needed for vending machines – make part of guard rotation.

Policies

- Sold 100 non-resident memberships – 25 more memberships and should we increase the fee
- Caregivers (non-swimmers) should they be charged? Will discuss that next year.
- Fees will be discussed next meeting (next week)
- Red Cross swimming lessons. Red Cross charges a fee for each facility where lessons are taught. Staff is investigating the possibility of teaching classes minus the Red Cross documentation
- Life Guard Certification can be done outdoors at the beginning of the summer. Classes have been held at the indoor pool and are becoming a financial burden with little or no revenue received.
- Parking will stay the same.
- Sell or rent locks for lockers.
- Offer yoga classes. Talk to fitness places and see if they will do a day for free.
- Food truck day – June is checking this out
- Activities – back corner by library.

Motion to adjourn. Approved 8:45 pm.