

WELLESLEY RECREATION COMMISSION

MINUTES

July 23, 2019

5 pm at Morses Pond

Attending:

Mr., Cramer, Mr. Rodrigue, Mr. Stuntz, Mr. Wolfson, Ms. Nichole Bernier, Mr. Chin, Mr. Fitts, Advisory. Allison, Linda, and Karen from Wellesley Friendly Aid.

Motion: To accept the minutes from June 10, 2019 by Mr. Wolfson
Seconded: Mr. Stuntz
Vote: All Commissioners in favor.

1. **Citizen Speak:** Wellesley Friendly Aid's Friendship Circle Program. They meet on Mondays during the school year from 12pm-2pm and are in need of assistance with a room. The Friendship Circle provides transportation for seniors and other services. The circle is in its 70th year and hosts roughly 30 women each meeting. They are requesting space at the Recreation Center, with no fee from October to May. Mr. Chin stated that the Rec Center does have space available and noted that the Rec Dept. already partners with Wellesley Friendly Aid to provide camp scholarships.

Motion: To have Recreation partner with Wellesley Friendly Aid to offer the Friendship Circle as a Wellesley Recreation program by Mr. Rodrigue.
Seconded: Mr. Wolfson
Vote: All Commissioners in favor.

2. **Morses Pond Feasibility Design Study update:** Weston & Sampson have begun the process. There will be a public hearing on August 7th at Town Hall to get input from the town. And Extensive report is due in November. The intent is to phase the project over time once a plan is agreed upon.
3. **Pickleball:** Recreation has purchased 1 outdoor Pickleball net for use at Schofield.
4. **National Conference:** The National Recreation and Parks Association's annual conference is September 23rd-26th in Baltimore. Recreation staff are seeking funding for the conference. See attached budget figures.

Motion: To approve funds for Recreation staff to attend the NRPA annual conference within the budget already allocated by Mr. Cramer.
Seconded: Mr. Rodrigue
Vote: All Commissioners in favor.

5. **PFTF:** Update, Mr., Stuntz will be stepping into the chair position. Lee field will begin work in the Fall. The Multi-Purpose fields will begin work next Spring/Summer. There is a subcommittee that will begin studying lights at the stadium with a report anticipated in the fall.
6. **Surplus Update:** See attached document. More details will be provided soon. Recreation took in more revenue than the previous FY.

7. **Camp Update:** See attached document. Camp Registrations have increased by roughly 150. Great camp season so far.
8. **Morses Pond Update:** See attached document. Non-Resident daily pass sales are down from last summer. The pond has had a very successful summer so far. The water quality has been the best its been in recent years. Morses Pond received a gold star from the Wicked Local reader's choices awards. The Commission would like the Recreation Department to advertise the beach more.
9. **Annual Report:** Due August 30th
10. **Director's Report:** Fall Brochure will be available soon.

Motion: To adjourn by Mr. Cramer
Seconded Ms. Bernier
Vote: All Commissioners in favor

NEXT MEETING: August (Date TBA) – 5pm at The Warren Building.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brandon Fitts, CTRS, CPRP