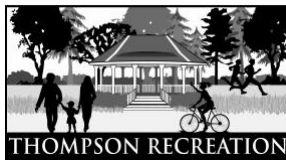


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Recreation Commission Special Meeting
Thursday June 4, 2020; 6:30 PM
Zoom Meeting

1. Call to order was by Recreation Director Lesley Munshower at 6:40pm.
2. Roll call – Cynthia Antos, Wayne Barber, Recreation Director Lesley Munshower Charlene Langlois and First Selectman Amy St. Onge joined the meeting in the last few minutes.
3. Summer 2020 Camp Discussion –
 - Review OEC Guidelines/Regulations – The OEC has increased the number of children that can attend a summer camp program from 30 campers to 50 now. The children would need to be separated into groups of 10 and they would all have their own supplies/equipment so that they would not need to share. All camp counselors would be required to wear face masks, but the children would not be. There needs to be posted signage of hand washing requirements as well as access to clean running water. All temperatures will need to be taken at the door for campers and there needs to be a designated sick room as a precaution.
 - Review Budget – The added cost of COVID related cleaning is not something that had been budgeted for by REC. L. Munshower did receive an email from Connecticut Parks and Rec that talked about unbudgeted cleaning costs being reimbursable, so this is something that she looked into for summer camp. Although REC did not budget for the additional cleaning costs, this is something that the school budgeted for so they would not be able to apply those additional costs for reimbursement. If REC decides to use a different location for summer camp or fall programming and hires their own cleaning person to follow the state recommended guidelines, those added cleaning costs could be reimbursed.
 - Review letter to Board of Education - L. Munshower has typed a letter to the Thompson Board of Education discussing the proposed costs to use the school as a location for summer camp and how it will not be possible to charge the families the amount it would take to cover the additional costs. It would cost \$1,769 a week for the custodians to clean the rooms used by camp with the new COVID-19 guidelines for cleaning. This additional cost would result in increasing the weekly rate from \$175 to \$260/week per resident which would be an increase of over 40% while providing less services to the residents. There would be no transportation or field trips this year. The letter asks to initiate a discussion between Thompson Recreation and Thompson Public Schools to determine what the future will look like for using the school buildings for other youth programming. This letter was emailed to all commission members and approved through email by Chair S. Bordua and R. Waldron as well as C. Antos and W. Barber.

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- Vote on direction of Summer 2020 – There was not enough members to make a quorum, so this was just a discussion among those who attended.

L. Munshower is also looking into the possibility of other locations for summer camp, specifically she has looked into the Thompson Public Library, St. Joe's and Turning Point Dance Studio. St. Joe's could be a good location not only for summer camp but if the REC department and school cannot come to an agreement for costs for fall programming as well.

C. Antos asks about insurance if using a different location for these programs. L. Munshower says if they used the Library it would still be a town building but if they used a private facility there would need to be a rental agreement in place.

4. Announcements:

Next Regular Meeting: Wednesday, June 24, 2020@ 6:30 PM

Location: Zoom

5. Adjourn – The meeting was adjourned by Recreation Director L. Munshower at 7:15pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ashley Pomes; Recording Secretary

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