

**TOWN OF BRATTLEBORO
RECREATION & PARKS DEPARTMENT
BOARD MEETING
June 11, 2018**

The Brattleboro Recreation & Parks Board met on Monday, June 11, 2018 at the Gibson Aiken Center.

Attending Board Members: Ricky Davidson, Bethany Ranquist, Jessica Gould, Connor Floyd and Bill Willson.

Attending Staff members: Director, Carol Lolatte and Administrative Assistant Kim Isaacsen.

Agenda Adjustment: Move Jr. Ski Jump request to public participation on the agenda.

Public Participation: Todd Einig representing the Harris Hill Jr. Ski Jump Committee was at the meeting to discuss the details of proposed summer surface to be added to the revitalized Jr. Ski Jump at Living Memorial Park. The Board discussed the request at length, some areas of concern were the scheduling, softball fencing, insurance, safety, storage for surface when not in use, water needs and lighting. Todd feels that with incorporating the summer surface this will bring opportunity to run camps and summer training for interested youth. The summer surface will also be used in the winter when there is little or no snow. Board Member Jessica Gould made a motion to approve the summer ski jump program at Living Memorial Park, Todd and the Harris Hill Ski Jump Committee will work closely with Carol on the details of insurance, permitting, scheduling and costs, the motion was seconded by Bill Willson and by a vote of 5-0 the motion was approved.

Minutes: Motion to approve the May 14, 2018 minutes was made by Bethany Ranquist and seconded by Jessica Gould by a vote of 5-0 the May minutes were approved.

OLD BUSINESS

DOG PARK/SKATEPARK UPDATE: On June 6th four bids were received for the design phase of the skatepark project ranging in price from \$23,000.00 - \$49,000.00. Carol is working with a ranking Committee and will be presenting the request to accept the chosen RFP for the design to the Selectboard. The Committee has raised \$12,000.00 of the Tarent Foundation Challenge grant, the Committee anticipate's raising the full match of \$15,000.00.

The Dog Park benches have been installed and the park maintenance staff is working on getting the water in and turned on for use.

NEW BUSINESS

SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES:

- The senior center will be offering a book named “Bread and Roses, Too” through the Vermont Reads program, the book distribution will begin on June 21st.
- The Windham Walker will hike the West River Trail starting at the Marina on June 22nd.
- AARP will be hosting Dr. Alexandra Tully an Audiologist on June 19th at 1:30.
- The first Picnic at Living Memorial Park in the senior area is scheduled for June 28th.

PROGRAM REPORT:

- End of season picnics for Spring sports are all scheduled.
 - Current summer camp registration numbers:
 - Day Camp:
 - Week 1 27
 - Week 2 38
 - Week 3 25
 - Week 4 35
 - Week 5 38
 - Week 6 31
 - Little People 14
 - Hoop it up 39
 - Magical Earth 9
 - Track & Field 20
 - Gymnastics 55
 - Voltage Soccer 16
 - Challenger soccer 13
 - Lacrosse (girls) 6
 - Mad Science 12
 - Mtn Bike Camp 1
- Swim Lesson Registration will be June 16th, 21st & 22nd.
- The Annual Pool Party is July 18th and the Duck Derby is August 8th.
- All Summer Staff will attend training on June 14th, Day Camp staff has an additional day of training on June 26th.

DUCK DERBY: The Duck Derby is scheduled for August 8th. The prize list was distributed and all Board Members will work on getting prize donations for the next Board meeting.

JULY 4TH: During the Annual July 4th celebration Board members volunteer to help with Ticket and Glow-light sales.

CAPTIAL IMPROVMENTS:

- The maintenance staff have started to fill the pool, there are a few minor deck issues that will need to be fixed prior to opening this year.
- New duck slide will not be in for the opening of the pool, should arrive a week after the pool opens, maintenance staff will install when slide is received.
- One bid was received for the Gibson Aiken Center roof repair, the estimated cost of the project is \$98,445.00, repairs will begin in September, the bid was received from Melansons.
- Carol is working on an RFP for insulation installation at the skating facility.

FYI UPDATE:

- A large maple tree at Living Memorial Park had to be removed because it was dead inside and in danger of falling.
- During an inspection of the swing set at Living Memorial Park it was discovered that the swing set had a crack in the main support, the new part has been ordered and will be installed by maintenance staff when it is received.
- Carol has been subpoenaed to court regarding cemetery damage due to an accident in September 2017.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 9th at 6:15p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn by Jessica Gould, 2nded by Connor Floyd at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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