

“Due to the COVID-19 crisis and social distancing recommendations, the Park and Recreation Board meeting was held electronically utilizing Zoom. Everyone was offered to participate by internet connection or by phone.”

The Harlan Parks & Recreation Board met on Wednesday, May 27, 2020 at 4:00 P.M. electronically

Present: Sara Poepsel-Miller*, Todd Berndt*, Lee Schoof*, Ladonna Havick* and EJ Leinen*

Absent: None

Also, Present: Gene Gettys*, Ashley Schleis*, Jane Smith*, Tim Miller*, Kelli Miller*, Mike Kolbe*, Greg Bladt*, Troy Schaben*, Jenney Kelly*, Jill Daeges*, Joleen Fiscus*, Sharon Kroger*, Jeanna Rudolph* and Logan Maxwell*

* de-notes participating electronically via Zoom meeting

The meeting was called to order by Todd Berndt

EJ Leinen made a motion, seconded by Sara Poepsel-Miller to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Any conflicts of interest are to be stated if and when applicable. Todd Berndt is on the Swim Team Board.

It was moved by Lee Schoof and seconded by EJ Leinen to approve the minutes of the May 13, 2020 meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

As of now the NDSAC is closed, other than lap swimming and swim lessons, until June 17th per Governor Reynolds. The board discussed options for swimming lessons due to the 6 feet social distancing. It was moved by Ladonna Havick and seconded by EJ Leinen to recommend to City Council to offer swim lessons for American Red Cross Level 3 and up for now with proper safety guidelines and revisit swim lessons for Level 1 and 2 and monitor social distancing guidelines. Motion carried unanimously.

Lap swimming was discussed, and guidelines were adjusted. The first day would be June 3rd from 4 P.M. – 7 P.M. and a fee of \$2/day. It was moved by EJ Leinen and seconded by Sara Poepsel-Miller to recommend to City Council to allow lap swimming per guidelines provided. Motion carried unanimously.

Logan Maxwell, Head Coach, was present to discuss Harlan Swim Team. The season would last about 6 weeks and children would be divided into groups. It was moved by EJ Leinen and seconded by Lee Schoof to recommend to City Council to allow Harlan Swim Team to use the public pool per guidelines provided by Harlan Swim Team. Motion carried unanimously with Todd Berndt abstaining.

Other Business:

- Playgrounds, restrooms in parks, and skate park open June 1st.
- Dog Park is getting closer to opening – making a second entrance to use temporarily.
- Little League is working on guidelines related to COVID-19.
- River Access – waiting to get on HMU Board meeting agenda.
- Shade structures have been re-furbished at swimming pool. The one awning near the concession area is finished and the other 2 structures will be completed.

The next meeting is set for Wednesday, June 17, 2020 at 12:00 noon.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned

Ashley Schleis, Recording Secretary

These minutes are subject to Board approval at the next regular meeting.