



CITY OF MARLBOROUGH RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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September 15, 2021

Pursuant to notice duly filed with the City Clerk, a meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission was held at 5:30pm at the Recreation Commission Office.

Present were Commission Members: Chairman Kays, Commissioner Vital, Commissioner Welch, Commissioner Gallagher, Commissioner Cabral and Commissioner Vital

Also attending Recreation Director Charles Thebado & Program Manager Joe Mulvey

Approval of minutes 05-19-21

On a motion duly made by Commissioner Vital and seconded by Commissioner Cabral, it was unanimously:

VOTED: To accept the 5-19-21 minutes.

Parks Report: Mr. White was not able to attend the meeting due to a DPW training session
Mr. Thebado gave the parks report on his behalf:

- The Parks Crew is busy getting the grass & turf fields ready and servicing their equipment for the fall season
- Ghiloni Park & Stevens Park Splash Pads are closed and winterized
- Irrigating Ghiloni for few more weeks

Recreation Report..... Charles Thebado, Director:

Mr. Thebado gave the following Recreation Department updates:

- Minimal Issues at Memorial Beach this summer. It was Marlborough Residents only until early August
- Pools didn't experience any closures. Ward Pool will need resurfacing soon. Have given DPW quotes to be placed in city capital projects plan the past 2 summers
- Splash Pads. Stevens Park Splash Pad had multiple issues the first 2 weeks. Electrical and computer issues. Once everything was worked out, no issues for the remainder of the summer. Ghiloni had a few mechanical issues that we were able to work out. System had new CPU placed at the beginning of the summer as it was unable to hold the proper date to allow scheduling of operation. Also, need to speak to DPW for additional fencing for Ghiloni Splash Pad.
- Skyhawks Camps: All scheduled Camps reached near full capacity

- Boat Ramp: Except for a few days where heavy rains caused an overflow of the ramp causing it to be closed for a few days, no issues. Boat ramp closed on Labor Day.
- Summer Aquatic Staffing: No issues this summer except for a few days, Will need to recruit heavily for next summer as we haven't been able to replenish our staff due to very limited lifeguard courses due to COVID. May be an issue for next summer
- Movies in the Park: 2 scheduled this summer. One at Kelleher Field and one at Ward Park.
- Summer Concert Series: Multiple dates cancelled due to rain. Was able to reschedule everyone except 2 bands
- Senior Summer Concert at Memorial Beach. Discussions are ongoing for this to be a yearly event along with the possibility to have one or two summer concerts there as well
- Recreation Department is holding a Scarecrow Contest for people to make Scarecrows and have them on display at Union Common for a week leading up to the city Horribles parade
- The Recreation Department is offering close to 50 recreational opportunities this fall season such as dance classes, yoga classes, e-gaming, martial arts, multiple sport programs, etc.

The Commission thanked Mr. Thebado for his report.

All in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:27pm

Attest to:

Charles Thebado
Recreation Director