

Meeting Minutes
Bethel Recreation Committee
Monday, August 6, 2012

A) Call to order 4:00 PM

The group called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM, Monday, August 6, 2012 at the Town Offices in Bethel, VT.

B) Roll call

In attendance: Dulce Ricciardelli-O'Hare; Abbie Sherman; Felicia Dieffenbach; Eleanor Griffin; and Pool Director, Whitney Dumville.

C) Open issues

1. Summer Programs and Recreation Facility: Pool Director Whitney Dumville gave an update on programs to date. The swim meet at the Quechee Club went well. There will be two more swim team practices and then an in-house fun meets on Monday. Stop watches are needed; we will try to borrow some from the school. An ice cream social is planned for Thursday; the rain date is Tuesday, August 14. The pool closes for the season on Thursday, August 17. It was recommended that new lap lanes be acquired for the 2013 season. The committee will look into cost or donation possibilities for this replacement. Whitney looked into starting blocks for our pool and found that each block has an average cost of \$30 and each anchor is \$100. The committee took no action with this idea/ recommendation. An extension cord and coupling attachment were purchased for the pool vacuum. The seal on the pumps has been leaking when they go above 10 PSI. It was checked two weeks ago by Allen Pools and Spas on August 7 to fix it. New hires and returning staff have worked well together this year.
2. Master Plan: The decision by the Recreation Committee to put the master planning job out to bid was okayed by the Town Manager. A Request for Proposal was reviewed and will be advertised in this week's newspaper. The RFPs will be due August 23rd so the committee can review them as soon as possible.
3. VCIL ADA Training Day: Abbie Sherman and Felicia Dieffenbach attended the ADA training and site review at the Recreation Center. A detailed report of the site review was compiled by the trainer. It offered an incredible amount of information that will inform the Master Planning process. It educated those in attendance of the ADA compliance regulations and what priorities the Town can undertake now and in the future to make the recreation facility better in compliance with ADA regulations. The committee hopes to have the Town paint handicapped lines on the new parking surface next summer. A copy of the report will be provided to Select Board members at their next meeting.
4. Community Center Surveys: Surveys have been completed and will be posted this week on the Town website; Facebook page; and cards with the Survey Monkey link will be available at different locations around town as well as paper copies of the survey.
5. Recreation Center Budget: The Committee reviewed the FY2012 budget and the current fiscal year's revenue and expenditures.

D) Approval of minutes from last meeting

The committee moved and approved the minutes of Monday, July 16, 2012.

E) New business

Tennis Court maintenance: Local volunteers and the Bethel Tennis Team have been volunteering to clean, weed and maintain the tennis courts this summer. The Committee would like to request that in the future the courts are monitored and maintained by the Town throughout the summer (i.e. weed eating the grass coming up through cracks, scrapping mildew and moss growing around edges and trimming branches of trees growing into court space). The Committee will seek suggestions from the Selectboard regarding trimming of the trees around the tennis courts.

F) Next meeting time, date, and location

TBA

G) The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by,

Dulce Ricciardelli-O'Hare