

Beach and Recreation Commission

Meeting Date: February 1, 2022

Meeting Place: Zoom

Members Present: Rob Card (Chair), Mary Pat Nardino (Vice Chair), Pam Greene and Vince Dussich.

Members not Present: Shane Kokoruda

Others Present: Austin Hall (Beach & Rec Director), Joe Oslander (Rockland Preserve).

Call meeting to Order: Rob called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Approval of Minutes: The January 4, 2022 minutes were approved. Mary Pat approved the minutes and Vince seconded. One the December 2021 minutes Pam did not approve the minutes. She motioned to have the minutes approved. Also, to add that Rob abstained from approving the December minutes. All members present were in favor of the minutes with the added corrections to the December 2021 minutes.

Public Comment: Joe did mention that they are working on the trail map for Rockland Preserve and updating that.

Chair's Report: Rob mentioned the sailing program and all the hard work that Austin has done with putting the program out to bid. He mentioned that Mary Pat was a huge help in last month's meeting with having the numbers of the survey that was send out to the residents.

Old Business: Austin mentioned he sent out a proposal for an instructional sailing program to be held in Madison. He talked about the previous sailing program and how he wanted to try to make a new sailing program with the same hours of operation as the previous one. He is proposing having one session in July for about 3 weeks and another session in August for about 3 weeks. The proposal will go on the Town RFP website to make sure the public can have access to it.

Director's Report: Austin mentioned some of the programs that will be available. He is putting together the Spring field schedule. There will be a meeting this Thursday with the Town's sporting organizations. He is starting to contact the summer staff who worked down at the beach last summer to see what their status would be in returning for this summer. There was a discussion about putting together a surf club master plan. An

RFP will be developed and will be going out to a committee who will be designated to create such a plan. He mentioned that the winter programs are going really well. The Ski Bus program started already and they are up at Mt. Southington. There is a new dance program that had just started. It is a spin and sparkle dance program. There is a new Pilates program called defining gravity. There is a new program called Mommy and Me. There is a corn hole program that gets together once a week. The Bauer Park walkway construction has started he mentioned. The East Wharf railings at the gazebo have been replaced. The Pavilion at Salt Meadow is up and looks great Austin said.

Survey Results: The survey results were discussed.

Adjournment: The meeting ended at 7:40 p.m. Vince motioned to adjourn the meeting and Pam seconded. All members present were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristen Panzo