Bristol Parks & Recreation Ellingwood Information Center June 18, 2019

Commissioners present: Clyde Pendleton, Sandra Lane, Laurie Mahan

Also present: Lara Sargent, Todd Richards, Pat Porter

Meeting called to order at 6:02 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes:

Laurie made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 4th meeting, Sandra seconded, and motion carried.

Triathlon:

Todd Richards attended the meeting to discuss shirts for the triathlon. The group discussed how many athlete shirts to order and how many volunteer shirts to order. The group decided to get 80 athlete shirts and 40 volunteer shirts. Lara will be sending out an email to all organizations and volunteers and asked for suggestions on dates for safety meetings. Todd suggested having two meetings - the Wednesday and Saturday before the event.

Fire Training:

Lara shared the information provided by the DEP regarding burning the pavilion. Chief Leeman said that Parks would need to get the building tested for Asbestos before burning and he provided a name and number for who could do the testing. The Commissioners agreed that getting the asbestos testing done is inexpensive compared to demolishing and disposing of the building and Lara will arrange to have the building tested for asbestos.

Swimming Hole:

Chris Hall suggested that the Commissioners start thinking about how they envision the swimming hole park in the future when it includes the new fish ladder. The Commissioners are concerned that this new park will require a lot of costs but not generate revenue to offset. Maintaining the park will cost more in the Park's payroll but the Commission is unsure about the other costs involved with the new park.

Art Gallery puddles:

The art gallery contacted Parks about the water puddling in front of the art gallery during heavy rain. Parks had already dug a trench to fix this but it didn't fix the issue. John dug a bigger trench hoping to fix the issue temporarily but Lara also contacted Joe Rose and Chris Hall about the issue since the water is coming from the nearby roads. Joe said that a bigger trench might be needed and that it would be difficult to find out who is responsible for the water issue since it is a private road. Clyde suggested that a small speed bump be placed at the park entrance so the water is diverted into the trench that John dug and the bump would help prevent the water from running down the park driveway.

Veteran Memorial Sign:

The Veteran Memorial Advisory Committee would like to put up a sign about the memorial and Lara asked the Commissioners for their input on where the sign should be placed. Clyde suggested putting the sign on a few posts over on the upper parking lot.

Painting the Lighthouse:

The Commission discussed putting the lighthouse painting out to bid. The bid will include scraping, priming and painting the Keeper's House and Bell Tower. Clyde and Lara will work on the advertisement to bid this week or next.

Wedding Application:

Lara shared the latest updates to the wedding application with the Commission and they provided additional suggestions.

Pavilion Funding:

The group discussed the upcoming meeting regarding additional funding for the pavilion. The Commission discussed possible changes to the existing design such as moving one of the shower towers so that both were on the beach side. Increasing the size of the community room and enclosing part of it to be used for events was also discussed. The group will meet with the architects after the meeting on Friday to bring any funding updates and building design changes.

Public Comments:

Laurie made a motion to end the meeting at 8:45, Sandra seconded, and motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.