

## Pool Commission Meeting Notes– October 20, 2020

Members in attendance (virtually): Brian Kelly, Lorne Hlad, Leesa Blanding, Laura Stith, Karen Berkich, Terry Donovan, Mandy Pouder, Jordan Schad

The Pool Commission met to discuss realistic goals as we close out the 2020 season, to have a clear pathway when 2021 hits, and have a timeline that we are working toward.

Lorne has spoken with Joe Stelzer, who will ask council when they need information from us (rates, etc.). A suggestion was made for the commission to not wait for a response and to go ahead & present that information to council.

The commission will also ask for an allocation of funds for the new fiscal year (including simple repairs, needed repairs, etc.) from council. A proposal was made to put together a 2021 plan/budget. Terry offered to work with Brian to come up with it.

The committee feels that the earlier that information can be presented to council the better position the pool will be in for next year. The plan is to highlight the needs of the pool/put it in front of council and residents.

The pool commission will share with council that it's not going to be break even. Membership fees are going to have to be increased to help with the costs. Membership costs are an issue.

Goals of the commission (by the end of the year or early next year):

1. Deliver & present to council a review of our facilities & items that we want to put on their radar (i.e. light poles need to be painted, pipes that are leaking). This will include a request for an allocation of funds.
2. Membership dues/models/fees for 2021 season. Re-think family memberships, seniors, etc. (Target date could be end of February/March 1.) Commission members discussed that the membership fee hasn't been increased in about 5 years. Discussion ensued around guest passes/single day resident passes. Discussion ensued around whether an initiation fee could be charged for members. Leesa will put together some options for the next meeting.
3. Long range plan – putting together thoughts/proposal; long range vision; a plan in place before we launch the 2021 season

Suggestions/discussion from commission members:

- We want to increase membership, have a robust social calendar, and have a long term plan
- Discussion about swim team – those funds go to them. Could some of the funds from the swim team go toward the pool funds?
- Suggestion was made to charge for swim lessons and to re-vamp swim lesson set-up.
- Possibility of rental of swimming pool (to raise funds)
- Ideas for fundraising – should be done early in the year, even if virtual (drop off of drinks, food as part of an event if it has to be virtual).

A question was asked about whether there was any money left from last year (to be used for basketball hoop, etc.). The Village ended up picking up the deficit so there wasn't a surplus.

Terry offered to create an outline/annual calendar leading up to opening day to ensure everything is done before opening day. Key dates will be listed (i.e. 6 weeks out volunteers clean pool).

Jordan will follow-up about pipe(s) leaking. There was a discussion about the status & what was found when Shamrock looked at the pool.

*Next meeting: November 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.*