Pool Board Meeting February 10, 2021

Meeting called to order via Zoom at 8:05 PM on February 10, 2021 by Chair, Jon Miller.

In attendance: Dan Hirsch, Carla Cole, John Butler, Jon Miller, Elvia Hajjar, Jenn Azzara, Nick Zaneto.

Sunshine Law read and reviewed January minutes, approved by Carla, seconded by Elvia.

Reports

Jon and Dan met with Melissa and Becky during the week to discuss future membership pool rate increases. A large rate increase and getting rid of the early bird special rate were suggested, which needs further discussion and finalizing with the pool board in March meeting.

Also discussed was the inability for the pool to bond/self liquidate independently for 2022 renovations, due to last year's loss in revenue from being closed.

Melissa would like to meet with Dan and Nick to further discuss May training of pool staff for Edmonds Systems, the new membership software for the Recreation Department, since new membership cards will need to be issued to patrons.

Becky would like Aquatics to be more efficient with billing and accounting. She would need to relay how to better handle reports for emergency repairs in an appropriate time frame.

Melissa would like to know if additional staff is needed to meet COVID standards.

Snack Bar

RFP (Request For Proposal) will be going out third week of February and will be awarded mid-March.

Collaborate with future vendor to establish COVID Protocols.

Pool Management

Employment application was posted in January on the Borough's website. To date, there are 70 returning employees, more lifeguards are needed.

Tentative date for new lifeguard training is the weekend before Memorial Day. All lifeguards will have to be recertified. Staff members would have to start work no sooner than May 1st.

COVID Pool Protocols will be edited to include temperature screening, wellness questions and mask use for employees. Mask will be required for all employees on pool grounds with only one exception, being in the lifeguard chair. Patrons will also be expected to bring their own chair. No stand alone umbrellas will be allowed.

A staff member will be monitoring and cleaning the bathrooms while setting limits to two people in the bathroom at a time.

Two tents will be needed, one at the entrance to help with signing in and the other on the inside to address emergencies.

Verify if there is adequate PPE for staff and patron use.

A Pool Ambassador will be needed to enforce new COVID policies.

New Business

Generate new membership recruiting ideas. Outreach to all schools in the district via fliers was suggested. Also need to finalize a date for Open House for new families.

Determine what is the maximum pool capacity, including employees to put a detailed plan together to determine what percentage of people can be allowed in at set times.

Monitor and manage the pool to-do list with DPW in preparation for opening day.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 9:09 PM by Carla, seconded by Elvia. Scheduled next meeting for Tuesday, March 9th at 8:00 PM via Zoom.