

Prospect Parks & Recreation
Special Meeting
Approved Minutes
November 12, 2020

Due to technical difficulties, the special virtual meeting of the Prospect Parks & Recreation, was called to order @ 5:25 p.m. by Director Chris Moffo.

Members in Attendance: D. Accetura, B. Martin, M. Witham, M. Gluck, J. Genthe

Members Absent: M. Palmerie, Jr

Also, in Attendance: Park & Rec Director, C. Moffo and Larry Fitzgerald of the Prospect Town Council.

Approval of 2021 Calendar Dates:

Motion made by B. Martin, seconded by D. Accetura to add to the Agenda and to approve the calendar dates for 2021. **Unanimous.**

Approval of Minutes:

Motion made by M. Witham, seconded by J. Genthe to approve the minutes of 9/9/2020 with amendments. **Unanimous.**

Motion made by B. Martin, seconded by D. Accetura to approve the minutes of 10/14/2020. **Unanimous.**

Guest/Public Participation:

Larry Fitzgerald a member of the Prospect Town Council attended the virtual meeting. L. Fitzgerald advised the Board that there will be a demolition of the Grange building; in the future, a memorial to the Grange will be placed at the site. The Town Hall Buildings Sub-committee sent out a survey to the public, receiving more than 172 responses, with most of the residents requesting to see a covered pavilion with seating in its place. After discussion that L. Fitzgerald had with the Mayor, it was determined that the Mayor does not want a covered pavilion in this area. The Mayor would like to see something as a Gazebo or a Bandshell. L. Fitzgerald had advised that during his time on the Bd of Rec, the plan of Hotchkiss Field had called for a pavilion. L. Fitzgerald noted this to the Bd of Rec and advised that this would be a Park & Rec project and not the Town Buildings Sub-committee, these are two different projects. B. Martin questioned how the Grange project would be paid. L. Fitzgerald advised that this is a Town Council project and the money would be coming out of the Town. Disc. After discussion, the Bd of Rec thanked L. Fitzgerald for his time. L. Fitzgerald left the meeting @ 6:33 p.m.

Correspondence/Payment of Bills

The bills paid and received were reviewed. **Motion** made by M. Gluck, seconded by D. Accetura to approve the bills to be paid in the amount of \$213.25. **Unanimous.**

Director's Report:

C. Moffo presented the following:

Programs:

- Tai Chi offered by Bergamo Martial Arts has filled and is runs on Monday at 1 p.m.
- Monday Evening Competitive Fencing is currently taking place on the Green from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
- Online Piano Lessons are doing well. A virtual Christmas Concert is planned for those participants enrolled.
- Due to inclement weather, the drive-in movie fundraiser, planned for October 30th was cancelled; the drive in was rescheduled for Spring 2021.

Miscellaneous:

- Repairs at Hotchkiss and Caplan for the fencing is completed.
- The installation of fencing for the Canfield Park Tennis Courts had begun; the posts are set. Cornerstone Fence will be back to complete the installation over the next few weeks.

- The camera system at Hotchkiss is in need of repairs. A quote was given from Sterling Security to replace Video Recorder and Long-Range Camera of \$2,410. This price will change once a quote for a bucket truck is given.
- 8 Touchless Hand Sanitizers were installed on the lower level. The remaining 8 dispensers will be delivered soon. A for the Touchless Hand Towel dispensers, they were sent back as larger dispensers are necessary for the paper towel rolls that are used.
- The new liner for the ice rink was ordered. The delivery should be within a week or so.

The light pole that was a concern at Hotchkiss Field was inspected. It was determined that it was not cracked underground and a guidewire had been installed to straighten the pole. Disc. The Bd of Rec raised their concern as to the guidewire being a hazard and C. Moffo will bring this to the attention of Public Works.

New Business:

- Discussion on Ice Rink – using masks, distancing
- Discussion on Tarps for pickle ball nets; to be used during rain and snow
- Discussion on minimum wage from \$12 to \$13 as of August 1, 2021
- Discussion on Pavilion for Hotchkiss Field. Other considerations- field across from Police Station; area at McGrath Park. The locations will be discussed at the next meeting.
- Upcoming Budget.

Old Business:

- Discussion on holding Youth Basketball; at this time Youth Basketball is on hold; after new year, this program will be re-evaluated.
- Youth Soccer had ended for the season

Adjournment:

Motion made by D. Accetura, seconded by M. Gluck to adjourn the meeting. **Unanimous.** The meeting adjourned @ 6:00 p.m.

Mary Witham
Vice-Chair, Board of Rec