

## **Borough of West Reading Recreation Commission**

Tuesday, May 4, 2021

Meeting called to order at 6:05pm.

Members present: Nathalie Kulesa (chair), Lori Hoffman (vice chair), Colleen English, Roger Hinsey, Jen Witman, Kristin Hawley, Alex Humphrey (arrived 6:07pm).

Members not present: Nikki Frymoyer, Kristina Singleton,

Staff members present: Page Durflinger, Recreation Director, Helen Moyer, Assistant Treasurer

Borough Council Members present: Samantha Kaag, Ryan Lineaweaver

### Public Comment

None.

**Motion to approve the minutes of the April 2021 meeting made by Helen Moyer. Seconded by Roger Hinsey. Motion carried (6-0).**

### Updates

- Welcome to Page Durflinger as the new Recreation Director
- Thank you to Helen Moyer for serving as Recreation Director previously

### Upcoming Events

- Movies in the Park: will be looking for Recreation members to take on leadership with this.
  - Still waiting for some confirmation
  - Feasible to do this summer.
  - Ideas for movies: "throwback" movies are inexpensive; newer movies cost more (not as much choice this year); depends on the price range (\$100 – 350); License for 7 days.
  - Weekend—maybe last Friday of the month (with Saturday as rain date)
    - June 25 (26); July 23 (24); August 27 (28)
  - Can be feasible for social distancing.
  - Can try to get donations for popcorn donations; food trucks; fundraisers for concessions.

**Roger Hinsey made a motion to accept this event. Kristin Hawley seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously (7-0).**

### Pool

- People already signing up on memberships
- Will have meetings with pool managers soon
- Measures & policies to make sure that the pool will be safe and follow COVID-19 safety
- Have pool manager, asst. pool manager, head lifeguard, and 6 lifeguards. Still a high need for lifeguards. Lifeguard certification classes will take place in May & June and hopefully will have a full staff of lifeguards from those courses. Whole region in need of lifeguards.

- Fully staffed for front desk and concession stand.
- Shift for swim lessons—no one certified to teach.
- No current swim team.
- Some repairs and upgrades needed.
- Will have workdays (May 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15) for clean-up.

#### Summer Playground

- Starts June 14.
- June 3, 4, 5 to clean up & prepare.

#### Bridge updates

- July 12 will start the work for the bridge.
- Estimating 6 weeks of work
- Will be able to start planning disc golf “grand opening” and tournament after the bridge is completed. Might be able to plan as early as September or October.

#### Olivet Boys & Girls Club

- Scheduled to attend May Borough Council meeting (May 19; 7pm)
- Will hopefully have more information soon.

#### Comments from Ryan Lineaweaver

- Olivet Boys & girls club programming will likely continue discussions, but no changes made this year.
- Summer swim team: suggestion to discuss with Wyomissing.
  - Already on Recreation radar to figure out options for swim team and swim lessons to maintain their offerings but not burden West Reading Pool & Recreation

Make sure to check and update clearances.

**Motion to adjourn made by Roger Hinsey. Second made by Samantha Kaag. Motion passed unanimously (7-0).**

Next meeting: June 1, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,  
Colleen English  
Recreation Commission Secretary