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Acting Recreation Director

Meeting of the Recreation Commission July 22, 2020

In attendance: Deb Clark, Dennis Lucier, Dorcas McGurrin, Paul Deignan, Acting Director Howell.

Commissioner McGurrin read the remote participation guidelines.

Minutes from July 8, 2020 were approved.

Public - None

Flax Pond Update: Acting Director Howell reported the sessions at Flax Pond are full. There was a complaint raised by a Pickleball player that the Camp was not following proper COVID guidelines on social media. The individual has since apologized and taken down the posting because it was incorrect information. All COVID guidelines are met at Flax Pond. There was discussion of the possibility of extending the dates at Flax if the schools do not open. No decision has been made. Chairman McGurrin reminded the commissioners that no one is allowed at Flax Pond except the staff and the children.

Beach Report: Acting Director Howell reported that the past weekend was very busy. The parking lots were closed on Saturday at 9:30 AM and remained closed until 3 PM because of the number of walk-ins. On Sunday the parking lots were closed at 10:30 AM. There is a posting on Facebook when the lots are closed. It was suggested that a sign on Rte 28 informing the public when the lots are closed would be helpful. Even if the lots are closed the attendants remain for the day. No life guards were pulled. At Seagull Beach a woman was rescued by the guards. Recognition for the staff involved will be coming from the Selectmen. There is a police presence at Gray's Beach due to the parking situation. This will be discussed by the Selectmen.

Due to the lack of parking at Gray's Beach a motion was made to close the pavilion to party rental for all weekend days until further notice. This was passed unanimously.

Pickleball: Acting Director Howell reported that there were no problems at this time.

Sailing and Tennis: Acting Director Howell reported that all is going well with these programs.

Homer Park Fields: Commissioner Clark reported that the field that is supposed to be closed is getting heavy use. Acting Director Howell said she would report it to Parks.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 6:57 pm.

The next meeting will be via zoom on August 12, 2020.

