

TOWN OF CHATHAM – RECREATION COMMITTEE – MINUTES – 10-20-2020

Meeting started 6:18 PM

In Attendance (online) Kevin Weldon, Vance Pitkin, Michael West, Al Meier, Jim Marks, Jesse Ortiz, Anita Fiorillo, Judi Matthews, Jay Thorn, Betsy Winters-Russell

1. Children's Garden

Fall clean-up continues on Wednesdays with Theresa Rossi and her students from the Chatham schools.

Mike West has a person who wants to manage the garden next year once it is safe to gather
CARP has committed to participate financially as in the past for the summer program
Vance has offered to donate fertilizer next spring

2. Park Plan update

deadline is set for early November so it can be presented to the town
on this project – Kevin, Vance, Anita and Betsy

3. Recreation Directors Report

Chatham Reds have ended their successful season at Crellin Park
Morris Youth soccer has started on Saturdays with lower than normal participation
Trail work at Crellin Park is ongoing. More volunteer clean-up days need to be scheduled.
PS21 is working with Mike West on shared grant applications
Herrington's has committed to donate the materials for the trailhead kiosks
The Pavilion is completed and ready for a ribbon-cutting ceremony

4. Ribbon Cutting ceremonies for both the Skatepark and the Pavilion

Proposed date is Oct 31st at noon for both
Jesse has volunteered to record with his drone
Al Meier to ask David Lee if he will photograph the events (it was suggested we get the rights to any and all photos for use at future dates)

Skatepark invitees should include:

Mayor and Village Officials
Chatham town board members and supervisor
Rec Committee members
Crellin Park Foundation
Town DPW
All contractors on the job
Skaters for demo

Pavilion invitees should include:

Village officials
Town board members and supervisor
Maria Lull, Bob Balcom, Michael Richardson
Rec committee members
Town DPW

5. Discussion of Polar Plunge for Crellin Park

Date of Feb was discussed
Kevin will present the idea to the Town

Sub committees will be needed once the approval is given to outline all the needs for the event
Al Meier has volunteered to gather info from other Polar Plunges in the area

6. Crellin Park Miscellaneous

An additional light is needed for safety at the Skatepark
it was suggested that the details of the costs be presented to the Crellin Park Foundation for payment

7. Survey Questions requested

The Town board has requested our list of survey questions to add to their master survey

Meeting adjourned 7:40 PM NEXT MEETING 11-17-2020 6:15 PM via Google meet