

TOWN OF CHATHAM – PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE MINUTES
02-16-2021
6:30 PM VIA GOOGLE MEET

IN ATTENDANCE: Kevin Weldon, Vance Pitkin, Mike West, Anita Fiorillo, Al Meier, Judi Matthews, Betsy Winters-Russell and citizen Gunnar Wordon

1. Park Plan Update

Final updates and corrections are being incorporated to the plan. Thanks to the help of Teresa Barendfeld and Suzanne Trevellyan. Once ready, John Wapner will present the plan to the Town of Chatham Board.

2. Recreation Director's Report

Pump Track/Bike Park initial plans have been presented to the town. More details needed to get final approval. Mike West has a course designer he would like to use for more final plans. Currently he has \$3000 pledged to start the funding process. Mike feels a "Go Fund Me Page" would be best way to finance this entire project as there are many local bike enthusiasts already interested.

Outstanding grants have been submitted for bike track, Camp fee assistance, and the trails project. Mike West recommends using existing grant of \$750 to fund 5 dog waste stations on the trails.

3. CARP Report

Only new item to report is a new prospect to direct the Kids Garden Program for 2021.

4. Pavilion at Crellin Park Update

Vance has gotten the "acoustics" problem added to the list of items to be addressed by the town.

5. PS21 Update

Kevin Weldon is presenting to the Town the final copy of the letter to be included in the grant requests initiated by PS21.

6. Summer Camp Fee Schedule for 2021

No updates

7. Parks and Recreation COVID Protocol Advisory Panel

A proposal is going to the Town to recreate this panel made up of Mike West, Henry Swartz, and John Wapner.

8. Suggestions and Questions for Crellin Park submitted to Kevin Weldon

The committee addressed all items for Kevin to respond to the recommendations

9. Items of new business

Al Meier formally named director of the proposed "Polar Plunge" at Crellin Park. His recommendation is to hold the Plunge in November 2021.

Crellin Park Day - on board for the event are PS21 and "Side Show Willy"

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NEXT MEETING MARCH 16, 2021 6:30 PM VIA GOOGLE MEET