Merrimack Parks and Recreation Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, 05.19.21  
Virtual Meeting  
7:00pm

Attendees on Zoom: Tracy McGraw, Laurie Rothhaus – School Board Representative, Maureen Hall – Senior Citizens Club, Abbie Cote – Student Representative and Michelle Creswell  
Parks and Recreation Staff on zoom: Matt Casparius, Director  
Absent: none  
Excused: Laura Jaynes, Christine Lavoie, Julie Poole, Rick Greenier – MYA, Lon Woods - Town Council, Shannon Barnes – Alternate School Board Representative and Jon Barkley – Alternative MYA  
Public: none  

Start time: 7:10pm

1 Open Meeting/Introduction

2 Approval of minutes from April 21st, 2021  
   • Not enough people for a quorum so the motion was not made to accept the April 21st meeting minutes and will be tabled for the next meeting

3 Old Business
   • Update from Merrimack Dog Park - Tracy McGraw  
     o Dog Park Fund Balance – $763.59  
     o Possible donation from Mosquito Joe  
       ▪ Many dogs have ticks on them when they leave and this donation is to spray for 3 treatments if approved  
     o Please don’t leave water jugs behind when you leave as there is water at the park now  
     o Donations for baggies for dog waste is always welcome

4 Director’s Report - Matt Casparius  
   • 2021 Summer Camp Update – almost ready to open  
     o Registration & Summer Hiring Update  
       ▪ Registration and summer hires are still ongoing

   • Report on Recent Community Special Events  
     o Report on the 2.75 Mile Not Quite a 5K was a success

   • Upcoming Community Events  
     o Movie Nights in the Park for Summer 2021: (Wasserman Park)  
       ▪ Friday, June 11th – Finding Dory  
       ▪ Friday, July 9th - Ferris Buellers Day Off  
       ▪ Friday, August 13th - Beauty and the Beast  
       ▪ Friday, September 17th - Raiders of the Lost Arc  
     o Summer Concert Series  
       ▪ June 23rd – Miss Juliann & Mr Joey  
       ▪ June 30th – Ben Eramo Solo Show  
       ▪ July 7th – Bill Connors: American Elton
July 14th – Whiskey Horse
July 21st – The Reminisants
July 28th – Studio Two
August 4th - North River Music
August 11th – Rockin’ Ron the Friendly Pirate

- 4th of July 2021
  - Town Council has approved 4th of July to happen
  - Sparkler 5K, Parade and Fireworks are scheduled events
    - Movement Christian Church to volunteer to clean on July 3rd
    - Shannon Barnes’ company to volunteer to clean on June 6th

5 Organization Reports
• Senior Citizens Club - Maureen Hall
  - No meetings are held due to COVID
  - John O’Leary building is closed, and possible re-opening date is TBD

• School Representative – Abbie Cote
  - Merrimack Band and Chorus had full concert with live audience and can be seen on Merrimack TV
  - Prom was held outside with games and activities
  - June 7th – 11th is Senior Week
  - June 12th 9am is Graduation

• MYA - Rick Greenier – not present
  - merrimackyouthassociation.com

• School Board – Laurie Rothhaus
  - Graduation plans are still being finalized as to what will be allowed

• Town Council – Lon Woods – not present

6 Comments from the Public – was none
• Those wishing to participate in "public comment" can do so via a dedicated e-mail address prior to the start of the meeting. These e-mails can be read at the discretion of the participants or recorded for the meeting minutes as part of the public record. Emails should be sent to: micasparius@merrimacknh.gov. All e-mails sent to this address for the May 19th meeting will be sent to ALL members of the Parks & Recreation Committee if they are received before 6:30 pm on the day of the meeting.

7 Committee Comments
• None

8 Future Meeting Dates
• Wednesday, June 16th, 2021 – tentatively in person

9 Adjourn at 7:28pm
• Not enough people for a quorum so the motion was not made to adjourn at 7:28pm

Respectfully submitted,
Michelle Creswell