



**Recreation & Arena Advisory Commission Meeting
February 8, 2021
Microsoft Teams**

Roll Call:

Steve Trepanier, Art Jacobs, Kevin Barry, Dave Colson, Dale Bickford, Dave Camire, Sheila Colson, Chris Bowlen, Rich Clough, Paul Roberts, Joan Strogon, Doug LaChance, Trey Scott

All members stated they are alone.

Accept January Minutes

Dale Bickford motion to accept and Dave Colson second.

Review Revenue & Expense Reports

Dale Bickford motion to accept. Joan Strogon motion to second.

Creating Rec Designated Space/Entrance at Community Center

Assistant Director Krans would like the Commission's support on creating a Memo to share with the City Manager and Department of Public Works:

- Designated Rec Department spaces in the Community Center as recreation use specific.
- Re-direct general foot traffic at the RCC for other agencies to the Wakefield street facing doors.
- Rec will have discretion to keep the front doors locked and customers will ring doorbell for assistance.
- Allows us to use hallway square footage as programmable space, specifically for summer camp
- Department will continue to work with the City for specific needs of large events
- Community Room will remain under purviews of Recreation Department.

The Commission is in support of this initiative.

Summer Camp Policies & Logistics

Recreation Supervisor Jacobs explained the vision for 2021 Summer Camp, including key policy changes due to Covid:

- May be as low as 40 campers depending on space availability and updated guidelines per the NHRPA and Governor's Office.
- Rochester Residents Only
- Tuition Change \$640/8 weeks, this is a 25% increase from last year and still keeps our tuition one of the lowest in the area.



- Potential for only offering camp at the Community Center depending on school availability.
- All participants must sign up for full 8 weeks
- Number of Authorized pickups will be limited.
- COVID screenings for campers and adherence to all COVID guidelines
- Publishing of registration process and detailed materials will be later this year

The Commission is in support of these changes.

Camp Aid 2021

Assistant Director Krans presented changes to the Camp Aid process:

- Camp tuition is one of the lowest ones in area.
- Amount of campers who receive Camp Aid will reflect the percentage of Free and Reduced Lunch eligible students (41% of Camp spots)
- Releasing cost of camp early will allow families to forward plan
- Same general application process as years past with a more individualized approach.

Commission supports this.

Spring Use of Arena

Arena Supervisor Trepanier:

Ice coming out mid-March, some interest in renting the cement surface this spring.

Model ice philosophy-one rate for all groups.

Turf will not be in this year, we returned the original turf product last spring as it was the incorrect product.

Commission supports following ice rate philosophy when pricing for cement use.

Other

Dave Ancil Cup will take place at DHS SHS Game at the Arena. No celebration, just presentation of the cup due to COVID.

Director Bowlen gave kudos to Art Jacobs, Steve Trepanier and Ryan Trepanier for getting the outdoor rink at Nancy Loud up and running!

HP Forestry Update, Trustees will be invited to the next meeting.

Bob Brown has resigned from the Commission after many years of service.



Next meeting is March 8th

Motion to Adjourn:

Sheila Colson motion to adjourned Dale Bickford second.

