January 18, 2017

Commission Minutes

Bobby Beagan, Dick Williamson, Jim Marotta, Mara Huston; Kayla McNamara, Aquatics, Park and Recreation Director

Jim Marotta left after opening the meeting because he would not be participating in the discussion or voting on any possible increase.

Public Comment: None

Summer Camp Pricing – Kayla distributed a Sudbury Summer Camp presentation to the Commissioners with the request that the fees for the summer camps be increased by 5% in 2017 with a potential of a 5% increase in 2018. Kayla discussed the cost recovery model, presented by the previous Recreation Director, that was approved by the Commission in April of 2015. Kayla also discussed the need to increase the cost of camp due to the minimum wage increase that has occurred over the past 3 years, going from \$8.00 in 2014 to \$11.00 in 2017. She also showed the Commissioners that Sudbury camp prices have been either lower or even, comparatively to the MetroWest communities. She supplied the Commissioners with salary, revenue and expense data regarding the camps.

Bobby Beagan asked about scholarships for the camp. Kayla explained how they are received and processed and the qualifications. She stated that any scholarship approved comes out of the summer camp revenue, not a fund from the Town.

Mara Huston asked about non-resident fees. Kayla stated that non-residents currently do not pay a different rate, but are not allowed to register at the same time as Sudbury residents. The camps fill up so quickly that there are very few non-residents, if any, in our Sudbury Summer camps. Non-residents register a few weeks after Sudbury residents. It was decided to revisit a non-resident fee difference for the camps in the next fiscal year.

Bobby stated he felt that the CIT camp fee should not be increased since these campers, are counselors in training.

A motion was made to approve an increase of 5% for the 2017 Sudbury Summer Camp, Preschool Pals Camp, and the Sudbury Adventure Camp. The motion received a second and was approved 3-0.

The Commission asked for more detail on the camp expenses for any future increases in the camp fees.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15pm