

CITY OF BARRE PUBLIC BODY MEETING MINUTES

Committee/board: Recreation Committee

Date of meeting: November 7, 2022

Location of meeting: Alumni Hall / Virtual

Board/committee members in attendance: Stephanie Quaranta, Linda Couture, Janelle Starr, Brett Rubinate

Board/committee members absent: Kelly Ross, Nancy Wolfe

Visitor: _____

Topic(s) Discussed (use additional sheets as necessary):

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Couture at 5:03 p.m.

No Visitors / No adjustments to the agenda

Stephanie provided the committee with an update on the summer season at the swimming pool. The first few weekends the pool was not open. We were able to send 3 individuals to the Lifeguard Training course. All 3 were successful and we were able to open on weekends. It was an excellent summer with many positive compliments.

The Expanding Access Summer grant allowed us to reduce the cost of a season pass by 50% for children and families. Season passes were up with more Barre City residents enjoying the pool. The summer camps were offered at a 75% reduction due to the grant and were successful as well. Another grant helped us to secure purchases of a water wheelchair, infant lifejackets and other rescue equipment. A connection with the VT Health Department provided us with a sunscreen station where patrons could have access to sunscreen at no cost. Partnerships with the UVM Extension Service were beneficial and we hope to offer more this winter. The CLiF program was well received and successful as well.

Breakfast with Santa is scheduled for December 10, 2022. Jockey Hollow will serve as the Caterer for this event again this year. The breakfast will be \$9 for adults and \$7 for children.

Board members spoke of positive comments on the summer. There were questions relating to online registrations and payments. Swim lessons were not able to be offered as many times as we would have hoped. If all the staff returns next summer this will be a help. Night time lessons wererrequested and will be scheduled. Stephanie noted that when lessons are held in the evening the night swim has to be cancelled or reduced in time. There will be a session in the evening next summer.

Meeting Adjourned 5:32 p.m.