

TOWN OF NORTH CASTLE
PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD ("PRAB")
Minutes of September 1, 2020 Meeting

In Attendance: Karl Hinrichs, Norma Hill, Lois Mallin, Jennifer Clark, Dan Zenkel, Saleem Hussain, Todd Orlowski, Jennifer Giusti

Guest: None

Absent: Brendon Malloy

Minutes of the March 3, 2020 meeting were accepted and approved.

Wampus Brook Park South: Superintendent Orlowski has no current update for the meeting.

CXT Bathrooms for Community Park: Kellard Session, the Engineer on the project, requested having the sewer line scoped from the existing chambers on the property. Superintendent Orlowski scheduled COOK Septic to camera the lines. The size of the lines was identified and a dye test was conducted in cooperation with the sewer plant to confirm the lines remain active. Sal Misiti was able to confirm at the plant. Scoping the entire line was difficult. Some manholes are buried under the athletic fields. The Engineer would like additional scoping completed. Chairman Hinrichs suggested reaching out to the retired Water/Sewer Superintendent. He may have some knowledge on the ballfield renovations and the locations of the force main leading to the plant.

Community Park Track Field: The track conditions at Community Park were discussed. A resident has complained that the track surface has become very dusty due to the use over the years. The edges also have deteriorated and could use re-edging so that the track can be reshaped and cleaned up. Dan Zenkel shared some history on the track improvement proposal dating back to 2015. There have been a variety of surface materials, curbing, and improvements considered, however, the expense has not been readily achievable. The PRAB recommended speaking with the Parks Department about scheduling track improvements like re-edging, cleaning up weeds/debris, and filling low spots with surface material.

Wampus Brook North: Norma Hill asked when the debris from the storm will be removed from the park. Superintendent responded that all chippers were in use by the Highway Dept. As soon as one is available the department plans to clean up the park.

Pool Update: Pool season is ending September 7th. The operation has been very successful. Staff did a great job following protocols and patrons were very happy and cooperative. Department received a lot of positive feedback.

Programming Update: Fall programming will begin registration September 9th. Social distance measures are in place and we hope to host programs inside at Hergenhan and continue to have successful outdoor participation like the summer activities. Parents seem more comfortable with outdoor activities.

The meeting was closed and adjourned at 7:20PM.

Next Meeting: Tuesday 10/6 at 6:15PM.