

Norwich Rec Council
Tuesday, August 4th, 2020 – 6:30pm
Via Videoconference

Attendees: Cathy Girard, Rob Johnson, Kristin Fauci, Ryan Gardner, Sarah Martin, David Bartlett, Brie Swenson, Steve Gaughan

July minutes were unanimously approved.

Summer camp update from Brie: Generally, things are going quite well. Mask and distancing policies well adhered to. Some councilor fatigue but everyone is doing well.

Fall Sports Updates: Town fall sports are still planned to be intramural with an effort to follow/adopt whatever policies the schools adopt. The expectation is that Norwich will not accept non-residents and will not interact with other towns. It appears that the SAU will not allow use of the town/school green. Huntley will be the primary location for all sports. We have asked Lightning soccer for an update on their policies since they WILL be travelling outside Norwich and there does not seem to be consistent adherence to policy by Lightning. Baseball on the other hand is doing local travel but they are adhering to policies well.

Updates/overview on mask use and enforcement mechanisms for coaches and participants: Ryan suggests that, while most participants have adhered, we should have a policy in place to deal with anyone not willing or able to comply. Brie indicated that this is a limited problem to date. Kids and coaches have done well to date.

Labor Day road race: This event will not take place this year.

Youth Advisory Council update: A trail walk with local music providers will occur on Labor Day. Staggered attendance and distancing. KAF is involved.

Huntley rentals/use by third party groups: Currently booking is online for all facilities. There are established rules and a waiver to sign off on when booking. Brie speaks to any party prior to approving the booking. Brie reports the system has been working very well.

Huntley fountain project: Cathy updated the group on the Bill Bos fountain refurbishment. In order to retain the original memorial panels we expect we would need to build the renewed fountain in the same style/design. We may need to run power to the water bottle filler. More details in the future.

Parcel 5 new trail: Kristin and a number of other families recently broke ground on a lower trail addition. This is a single track trail. The process went very well.

New Business:

Cathy says Sara Reeves is seeking an update on pickleball t-shirts for sales. Brie indicated that we'd need to have a pre-order system rather than buying inventory to sell. Cathy also mentioned that we should encourage tennis court users to remove their water bottles and tennis ball cans.

Colavita fundraiser generated \$900 and Brie suggests we replace as many picnic tables as possible given the state of the existing tables.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10pm