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PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
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Racquets Advisory Committee

Final Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 7, 2021

I. Call to order

Meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom videoconference for the scheduled 26th meeting of the Racquets Advisory Committee (“RAC”).

II. Roll call

Committee Members Present: David Acselrod, Lloyd Clareman, Ward Doonan, Patti Brill, David Kaplan, Beth Jaykus, Denise Thomas.

Representing Westport Parks and Recreation (“WP&R”): Cyndi Palaia and Carmen Roda

III. Approval of Minutes from May 4, 2021: minutes were approved with a correction: Patti Brill’s conversation was with P&Z, not Charles Haberstroh.

IV. Public Comment

Jay Walshon, Tom Lowry, and Gary Krasilovsky, Jacky.

Jay questioned whether maintenance could be scheduled for Compo Pickeball courts; some cracks developing. Carmen will investigate.

Tom Lowry re-raised the idea of taking over the skate park. Consistent with prior conversations, the consensus is this should not be approved.

V. Parks and Recreation Update (Carmen Roda and Cyndi Palaia):

- a) Tennis: Calcium chloride put down and has helped enormously.
- b) Platform Tennis: Nothing new.
- c) Pickleball: Carmen provided an update on the pickleball pass; intending to integrate the Chelsea reservation system for pickeball. After Thursday the pickleball pass will be available. Pickleball tables need umbrellas.

VI. Report from Committee Members

- a) Tennis: Beth suggested adding Town Center to the reservation system, which would have the additional benefit of preventing teaching pros from parking there. We will have to see if Chelsea system can accommodate this. Lloyd brought up needing more frequency calcium chloride applications to keep the court in shape. Carmen to investigate cost per application.
- b) Platform tennis: Resurfacing will be needed at some point.
- c) Pickleball: Patti reports that there are further discussions with P&Z who have formed a subcommittee so there seems to be some positive momentum. The contemplated location is the Senior Center.

VII. Adjourn: Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 p.m.