

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY PROGRAMS ADVISORY BOARD HELD ON THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 2024 AT 7:00PM VIA ZOOM.**

**ROLL CALL**

**Staff:** Mark Ozoroski, David Guida

**Advisory Board:** Sharon Clark, Elaine Anderson, Joe Gaspard, Jennifer Winters. Kerry Katherine Honold-Righi, Diane Gallo, Micheal Hoefs, Eric Kurs- Lasky, Kevin Smallwood

**Absent:** Aidan Gillespie, Kerry Baker-Relf

**Approval of February 1 , 2024 Minutes-** Motion made by Scott Lenz, seconded by Diane Gallo , all in favor

**New Business**

- A. **Spring Update Fields, Facilities, Programs-** Youth sports started, HS teams start next week. Public works has been non-stop getting the fields and golf course ready. The public bathrooms at the Anderson fieldhouse have been permanently closed, 4 handicapped port-o-johns have been placed behind the scoreboard. Those will be cleaned 3 days /week. The pool work has officially started as well. Spring /Summer program information has gone out, along with our special events calendar. The Easter Egg Hunt is March 23<sup>rd</sup>, along with the first ever Women's History Day
- B. **Pickleball Memorial-** We received an email regarding pickleball lines at Memorial, Dan Healy said he did not want them on courts 1-5 due to the SHS teams playing on those courts, but said 6-8 would work. We will continue to do some research on the possibility.

**Old Business**

- A. **BOE Middle School Lower HS field and Anderson Field house-** No further update
- B. **Paddle Tennis Courts-** Aaron Schrager, the engineer and I are supposed to meet tomorrow to finalize plans so they can go out to bid.
- C. **Summit Lax Wall/Gazebo** The project was approved at the February 20<sup>th</sup> council meeting. The group is formalizing the contract with Prisco and getting ready to go to the planning board for a courtesy review.
- D. **Glenside-** We are in the process of setting up a meeting with Vikki Drake from the county. A number of dates have been sent , we are just trying to find a mutually agreeable date.
- E. **Tatlock Lights-** We continue to finalize the Tatlock Lighting Project Community Engagement Plan. We are planning to have a number of listening sessions with the neighbors that will take place in April, along with an Open House at the Community Center. Additionally, David and I will be giving a presentation at the March 19<sup>th</sup> council meeting. We will continue to gather comments and post all the information on our website.
- F. **Mabie/Tatlock Playground** – We continue to wait on the Green Acres Grant from the State, but we have applied for a 100,000 grant to go towards the Tatlock playground from The Local recreation Improvement Grant from the state. Typically, lower economic towns receive the bulk of the funding, so I don't expect to get the total request.
- G. **Park Hours-** We are going to hold off on any further discussions regarding park hours until we continue to work through the light project at Tatlock.

**ADJOURNMENT**- The meeting was adjourned at 8:45pm on a motion from Dianne Gallo, seconded by Elaine Anderson.