

Ladera Recreation District
Board Meeting Minutes
June 8, 2020

Meeting called to order at 7:07 pm via Zoom conference

Board Roll Call: Bob Felderman, Brian Wall, Randy Cook, Jen Coleman, Calin Thomas
Also attending: Di Gow, Steve Marra

Public Comment

- No public in attendance

Minutes From Prior Meeting Approval

- Motion made to approve meeting minutes with minor edits from May 11th, 2020; seconded; 4-0 approved

Covid Discussion

- Working through details on what our day camps will look like; e.g. 3 weeks instead of 2 weeks, appropriate sanitation protocols, etc.
- Tennis court COVID summary update

Financial Report / General Discussion

- Have been working diligently to keep finances in check; have a general sense of optimism for the end of June from a financial perspective
- CD Expiring in June; team to sync up with Chase
- We have roughly \$723k in semi-liquid financial assets to leverage as needed to help cover operating expenses if we run into any kind of short term financial squeeze
- Swimteam - hoping to breakeven
- Swim lessons - in discussions with Marla - are a possibility. Working through likely requirements (e.g. lessons via the deck) and impacts to teaching.
 - This has been a great opportunity for high school and younger college aged-kids
- Camp Ladera
 - On past Friday had huge demand for camp reservations
- Have had really positive feedback about the lap swimming, usage has been significant
- Family rec swim - going to try 6 quadrants; may continue to change the spaces; e.g. perhaps there are opportunities to run swim lessons at same time
- Continue to work closely with web registration system provider, Peak Software. Worked through some issues on system configuration updates recently.
- Team checking on status on bills and such with Morton and Associates

Managers Report

- Membership Update
 - Last year at this time we had 128 family resident members; this year we have 92; given circumstances, it could be worse. Non-residents we have 29 vs 78 last year.
 - Web system software has helped with member categories
 - e.g. lap swimming - we have more individuals
 - We have a significant number of senior individuals who enjoy time at the LRD

Membership Totals as of May 31, 2020

	Resident		Non Resident	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
Family	92	128	29	78
Couple	15		3	?
Indiv	6		12	
Sr. Couple	20	26	n/a	n/a
Sr. Indiv	30	21	n/a	n/a
Indiv Tennis	n/a	n/a	17	13
Totals	163	192	61	97

Just a highlight for next month, since June 1st, we have 38 new members. (26 are family, 6 are individual tennis and the others are assorted)

- Tennis
 - Tennis program updates - continuing to work through and partner with Coach Bryan on possible program updates
 - Continuing to perform membership checks with folks on the courts
- Lap Swimming
 - Began on Thursday May 20th
 - Release the schedule on Friday afternoons for the following week
 - Getting several handfuls of emails working through website registration/login support
 - 2 hours a day for vulnerable swim - quieter time in the pool - has been great
 - Teens have been great - have been very respectful; time to chat and have a good time
 - Discussion on cancellations
 - 1 day vs week prior options
 - We are emailing no-shows
- Family rec areas
 - 4 quadrants
 - Was hugely successful; 50 minutes
 - During that time, each family is allotted about 10 minutes on board
 - Sunday
 - Had a few cancels on Sunday so may do 24 hr notification there
 - Planning on transitioning to 6 areas
 - Exploring dividing the wading/baby pool into 1' and 2' line
- We continue to require masks at the LRD and would appreciate community support

- Acknowledgement and appreciation of Di's efforts!!!!
- Camp Ladera Update
 - Piper and Cam and team working through camp details via appropriate CDC policies
 - Most likely ~12 kids and ~2/3 counselors; that will be their group for the session
 - Separate areas for each group; 3 hours a day, 5 days a week
 - Current plan:
 - Once a child is in the session group, they will not be required to wear masks
 - Pool time will be broken up into groups with appropriate time to switch / sanitize
 - Working through details with Webb Ranch to go berry picking
 - Exploring "affirmative" that kids are healthy on a daily basis
- Swim Team Update
 - Working through details of schedule with Jane
 - Ladera Dolphins - 4 days a week, intermixed with other pool scheduling
 - Planning on 2 kids per lane at practice
 - 1 week sessions
 - Unfortunately not going to include 6 and under this year
 - Need to be able to broadly ensure child can swim a lap
 - Significant interest from kids in the 8-10 age group
 - Appropriate coaching will be on the deck at all times
 - Looking forward to having a fun experience
- Planning a Father's Day food truck - Sam's Chowder
 - Exploring opportunities to optimize process with pre-orders vs ordering at window
 - Mr Softy ice cream truck - shows up at certain parks - trying to have him come ASAP
 - Taco truck for July or August
- July 4
 - Sadly most likely going to cancel
 - Considering a couple ideas
- Other programming notes
 - Exploring movie night possibilities; we stay light, late!
- Discussion re: BBQs
 - Trying to figure out something
- Dealing with a couple dead trees by the Oleanders
- Neighbors at end of West Floresta - have recently maintained the path that connects to La Mesa Court
 - Requested that the LRD take over maintenance
 - Insurance waiver is in place with the family that owns the property
- Finalizing upcoming pool schedule and then will communicate

Pool Committee Update

Financing update - Jen and Bob

- We received a few bids back from our financing inquiry
 - In general terms money can be financed at 15 years for \$1 million; ~3%
 - Each response has varying repayment rules to consider
 - Continuing to explore but nothing to vote on as of yet
 - Markets are in odd territory but rates are similar to pre-Covid
 - 3 banks out of 27 responded, so muted demand
 - A fair amount of uncertainty; banks in holding pattern, dealing with PPE loans, recreation district financing is not seen as essential priority, etc.
 - Some additional collateral checks a possibility; more certain the higher the amount financed
 - Ambiguity with what could happen in the short term; to move quickly with info received so far or hold?
- Input for decision
 - We are waiting for feasibility study - how much would it cost to do the bathroom
 - This will most likely add to the overall cost of project
 - We are continuing to investigate how the tax revenue that the LRD receives is calculated; will hopefully have more info in the upcoming weeks
 - Prepayment terms
- Discussion about what is considered collateral for the bank? e.g. land, financial assets, etc.
- Alignment to explore what details are needed to finance a higher amount. Does the insured amount have any impact here?
- Financial audit statements may assist from a documentation perspective
- Discussion about payment of fees: alignment it most likely makes sense to pay up front if possible
- Looking to bring process to closure at appropriate timing

Bathroom feasibility Update - Jen

- Walked through bathrooms with our contact Jim; reviewing the existing footprint; examining what ADA requirements are if we update the pool; exploring various county rules and regulations, etc. Also exploring the possibility of adding toilets, sinks. or showers. The plan will be reviewed with San Mateo County building to confirm we will be in good shape with a pool update.

GeoTech Study - Jen

- Goal is to do soil sampling in and around the pool area to minimize chance for surprises later on in construction process
- Contract under review with our team and Terracon
- Working through details on scheduling to minimize impact to pool and tennis programs; it's likely a day of work

Topographic study - Jen

- To confirm elevations and boundaries of property
- Contracts under review; hoping to get to next step in next few weeks

Public Meeting adjourned at 9:02

Next meeting:

Planned for 7:00 pm on Monday, July 13th, 2020

Respectfully submitted: Brian Wall