

Present: Commissioners Kristina Carr, Dave Hattenbrun, Frank Klepeis, Kieran Liggan-Casey, Reta Sorge; Recreation Clerk Dorene Whitaker; Town Board Liason Ernest Klepeis.

Excused: Commissioner Lisa Jerkowski.

The meeting was held via Zoom and was called to order at 7:25 pm.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. **Minutes from November 2021:** Due to late arrivals approval was tabled until next month's meeting.

2. **Solar Panel Monitor:** D. Whitaker reports that solar monitor cable at the Rec Center is now attached and is collecting data. She will meet soon with others with IT expertise to analyze the data.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Rec Center cleaning:** D. Whitaker reports that she is now receiving requests for rental of the Rec Center. There is still no one hired to performing cleaning, which has delayed rental of the space for months. Fortunately a Town employee has recently expressed interest. Renters are expected to clean up after themselves, and pay a deposit which will be held if major clean-up is required. Someone has been needed to check on the status of the facility after an event and perform any needed supplemental cleaning, and there is now mandated Covid cleaning which includes disinfection of all surfaces. The Commission felt that a Town employee should be tasked with this job to ensure proper maintenance of the facility, and that a separate fee to the renter should cover the extra task of disinfection. K. Carr moved that a separate "Sanitizing Fee" of \$35 be added to the Application for Use. Seconded by R. Sorge. All in Favor.

2. **Application for Kitchen Use:** D. Whitaker present a request for use of the Rec Center kitchen by the Italian American Association to hold an Easter bread-making class. Attendees will be charged a small fee to cover costs of materials. It was agreed to charge the resident fee for kitchen use of \$80.

3. **Pool Summer 2022:** D. Whitaker reported that Ashley Kraus will return this season as Pool manager and planning meetings will start within the month.

4. **MVP National Fitness Campaign:** A national organization has approached the town with a proposal to construct an outdoor fitness facility at the Rec Center. This is an ADA-compliant 38 foot square platform containing 7 workout zones with an associated App to guide an individual's workout. The cost is 140-165 K with the availability of a 50K grant to offset costs. It requires minimal maintenance, like a playground. The nearest one to here is in Newburgh. The members of the Commission were able to view a short video describing the facility prior to this meeting. There was discussion regarding possible placement, and there are several options on the Rec Center property. R. Sorge suggested adding a paddleball court to the outside wall. K. Carr expressed reservation about starting this project prior to refurbishing the tennis courts, but E. Klepeis reported that funding is in place for the courts and renovation is expected to go forward shortly. R. Sorge moved to express support for the concept of MVP Fitness Campaign Facility at the Rec Center. Seconded by K. Carr. All in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm. The next meeting will be February 16, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kristina Carr, Chair

