Rosendale Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:20 pm.

OLD BUSINESS:

1.**Prior Meeting Minutes**: R. Sorge moved to approve the meting minutes from May 2022. Seconded by L. Jerkowski. All in favor.

2.**Pumba sculpture**: K. Carr reported that the sculpture has been repaired by Ed Felton and Jeff Johnson, former colleagues of its creator Judy Sigunick. The plan is for fencing and plantings to be placed at its base to discourage climbing on it.

3.**Fitness Court**: D. Whitaker reported that construction of the base is in progress. Once concrete has been pouted it will need 28 days to cure, and then the center can be built. This brings completion to late July at the earliest. The parts are currently being stored in the Pool Snack Bar as there is no other space available in any town facilities. This will require reducing capabilities of the Snack Bar for much of the summer.

4. **Eagle Project**: D. Whitaker reported that as an Eagle Scout project a local Scout plans to repaint all of the picnic tables at the Rec Center and to build 3 handicapped-accessible picnic tables, one each for the Pavilion, the Youth Center and for Town Hall.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Solar Panels**: Alex Ferguson, who was on the town's Environmental Commission when the solar panels were installed, attended the meeting to help sort out issues with the system. He reports that the panels are currently working, as seen on the power meter and on the invertor box which can tell how much power is and has been generated. However, due to the complexities of billing for municipal systems, the current system does not allow us to tell how much credit we are getting from Central Hudson. But there are more important problems. There are a small number of panels, not enough to generate a significant amount of power, and the panels are probably inefficient as they are near the end of their life. They are sited on an east-facing surface, not optimal for collecting energy. The computer is nearly obsolete and may not be monitoring the system properly. Therefore, it was decided that a full evaluation of the entire campus be performed. Alex and Commissioner Sorge will research companies and suggest appropriate resources.

2.**Pool opening**: D. Whitaker reported that the poll opened for weekend business on June 11 and things went well with no major problems. \$6,000 was taken in, largely from fees from swim lessons and pool membership. She suggested that next year the pool join with the Summer Camp program's Saturday sign-up event for swim lesson and membership sign-up, to improve the flow at the pool front desk.

3.**Tennis courts**: K. Carr reports that the engineer is finishing up his proposal, which will be presented to the Town Board for approval at their July meeting. The Rec Commission was asked to review designs for including lines for pickleball on one of the courts which will function as a dual-purpose court. The group accepted the design of two pickle ball courts lined out on one tennis court, on each side of the tennis net, which will necessitate temporary nets for pickleball play. This is the standard for a dual -purpose court. Also standard is different color lines for pickleball; the Commission recommends green court surface with a red border, white lines for tennis and red lines for pickleball. The Commission also recommended that the dual purpose court be adjacent to the basketball court, and a net be procured to separate the two tennis courts.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm. The next meeting will be July 20 at 7:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristina Carr