

**Town of Windermere
Parks and Recreation Committee
Meeting Minutes
April 8, 2021**

Members Present: Doug Bowman, Nora Brophy, Shery Cassidy, Dena O' Malley, Tracy Mitchell, Cindy Hunter

Others Present: George Poelker, Curt Frazier, Tonya Elliott-Moore

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Nora Brophy. She noted that a quorum was present to approve official business.

Business Agenda

Old Business/Events

- A. Windermere Petfest – Nora commented that she'll be looking to pick a date for next year's event very soon
- B. 19th Annual Run Among the Lakes – Nora indicated that a note is going out to prospective sponsors for the October 16, 2021 event. She noted that Town Council member Bill Martini is helping with the 2021 shirt designs. Nora also mentioned that she does need a volunteer for help with advertising placement, and to contact her for that.
- C. Tennis – The committee discussed progress on several court maintenance issues. These included painting the Main Street backboard, new scorecards added for all courts, and the large dying tree removal at WRC causing court issues. Items still TBD include research on self-locking court gates, fence repairs, and the suggested security camera. Tonya Elliott-Moore indicated that a new paver connector path from sidewalk over to courts at WRC would run approximately \$3850. Dena suggested to add more permanent tennis signage by the courts instead of the laminated messaging now there.
- D. Windermere Rec Center – Nora indicated that measurements have been taken along with spacing demands for the proposed playground equipment at WRC. \$3850 has been approved for the playground equipment with the whole project cost estimate around \$40,000. Nora noted that the committee is waiting on the safety fencing estimate for the perimeter around the playground equipment.

The committee discussed the Main Street tennis resurfacing and pickleball court estimates provided by a local vendor. A motion was made and seconded to put out both bid requests, and for the pickleball courts proposed scope of work not to exceed \$25,000. The committee asked that these 2 bids be put out as soon as possible with the hope of Main Street resurfacing starting in August or September.

- E. Kayak/Canoe Storage – Discussion ensued around this topic. The consensus of the group is that WRC is the best initial location for this amenity. This

matter should continue to move forward with more research conducted for pricing.

- F. Doggy Dooleys – These were approved by the Town Manager for all parks.

New Business

- A. Boathouses – Curt Frazier and George Poelker made guest resident comments regarding the existing Windermere boathouse history and situation. Leases on the boathouses expire in July 2021. The committee discussed the request to make a recommendation to Tow Council on future use for the boathouses and some rough awards process. After some discussion, the committee consensus is/was to create a multi year lottery system to award boathouse use as the fairest way to involve residents in an equitable use process.
- B. Meeting minutes from both the March 11, 2021 regular meeting and the April 1, 2021 special Fernwood Park meeting were approved by the committee
- C. Liaison Reports – No Liaison was present to present a report.
- D. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:00 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 13th at 5:00 p.m. in Town Hall.