Lenox Community Center Board Meeting April 21, 2021 6:08pm

Attendance: Rose Casey, Jen Picard, Shari Gaherty, Darlene McCauley-Director, and Francie Sorrentino. Tony Patella-Chair is absent from tonight's meeting.

Public Comment: We have 5 folks here with us to discuss having extended hours and season for our Town Beach. Jackie Salvaggio did most of the speaking on behalf of "avid swimmers" who express a need to have a longer opportunity to swim due to health issues and pleasure. Their request is to have the beach open from April 15 through October 15, seven days a week. The LCC Board will discuss their request and needs. Mary Healy shares that the beach is not just for the kids...it should be for the seniors too. Darlene explains- It is not our intention for just kids...families and alike should use the beach as well. Shari Gaherty, questions the liability of swimming without a life guard, etc. Rose Casey states we have no way to monitor who is going in, perhaps we need folks to have a specific time slot. Darlene asks if senior swimmers are willing to volunteer to open and close the beach gate. Jackie expresses that their Tax dollars should cover a gate keeper.

Acceptance of March 18, 2021 minutes: Minutes accepted (Jen/Rose)

Chris Ketchun joins us: Summer Program policies: Camp/COVID with cohorts of 25 kids all day still keeping half of the building for seniors use. Darlene explains two options: 1) have programs here at LCC. 2) Morris School, LCC staff could go after academic program of Summer School from 1:00-4:30, two cohorts of 25, back yard closed to public if held here at LCC. Chris Ketchun suggests that our normal time is not a good ides=COVID times to execute Morris. Darlene and Principal Kelly will meet to discuss our options. The LCC Board agrees that it would be best practice to have all our kids in one place....instead of 25 at Morris and 25 at LCC.

Darlene states that we would continue to close the Beach for just our LCC Campers one day a week....we suggest two days if necessary.

Claire Cox Gazebo: Bill Gop did some clearing just above the Beach House...there is a little view...needs to be handicap accessible...another choice would be to the left of the stairs...better view and handicap accessible.

Mid School Program at the Center-Darlene states that we do not have the room here at the Center. Darlene called the Library and they say they would need staff.

The DPW handed our saplings at Morris school for Arbor Day.

Tax Work Off is starting back up!!

COVID vaccine appointments, the Center has completed well over 400 appointments.

Pickle Ball Multi Use Courts: Darlene states we will only need lines for Pickle Ball. Multi Use would consist of Wall Ball and Hand Ball with the use of portable nets...and would host the Ice Rink for the winter months.

Meeting adjourned @ 7:43pm

Respectively submitted,

Francie Sheehan Sorrentino