

Beach Committee Meeting 12/8/21

Start: 7:01 pm

End: 7:58 pm

Prepared by: Steve Koenigsberg

Attendance: Steve Koenigsberg, Michelle Cromwell, Pat Degnan, Glen Katz, Charlie Bogusat, Chris Kleinwaks

Discussion:

Discussed Winter Cover Service with Pool provider – decided against doing.

Steve worked with Kurt to lower the Drum pool water level and will review again before end of year to make sure below skimmer line

Charlie suggested we install safety floating equipment at the beaches for the winter in case of emergency with people fishing / walking / skating on the ice. He will take care of having installed.

FYI – to Purchase 5 lifeguard tubes and rope. Money to come from line 503.06 and not to exceed \$900. This will not overspend the line.

FYI – to purchase 6 Acrylic mirrors for beach bathrooms. Money to come from line 503.09 and not to exceed \$400. This will not overspend the line.

FYI to purchase 2 pool test kits. Money to come from line 503.21 and not to exceed \$300. This will not overspend the line.

Discussion on Beach Supervisor position.

Discussion on Beach Gate Operations at Beach 1 and where to position guards vs when on break.

Approved by: Glen Katz-OIC

Beach Committee Meeting 11/10/21

Start: 7:04 pm

End: 7:57 pm

Prepared by: Steve Koenigsberg

Attendance: Steve Koenigsberg, Michelle Cromwell, Ami Nickel, Pat Degnan, Chris Kleinwaks, Mike Ilardi

Discussion:

Discussion on changes to facilities reservations.

-Changes to fee structure: Old model is \$100 deposit fully refunded once confirmed all garbage removed.

New Structure: \$150 deposit. Two checks submitted one for \$100 (fully refunded on confirmation of garbage removed: Second check is \$50 and is nonrefundable.

-New "Off Season" reservations:

Residents will now be able to reserve facilities in "off season" for same new fee structure. Residents to be made aware bathroom facilities will not be available and all facilities subject to safety closures (i.e. beach one parking lot covered with snow/ice and gates not open)

Motion passed

-Discussion of Women's Club reserving beach 2 for a Family Beach Party Scholarship Fundraiser. Beach 2 will be reserved on whichever date Women's Club gives to the office before the "In Season" reservations begin. Lifeguards will be paid directly by Women's Club to cover event.

-Discussed reminder that for Beach 1 – no "In Season" reservations are to be permitted for Festival day weekend or HUBs weekend whenever WML Hosts.

Discussed current status of Drum Pool Bids – Charlie has additional site visits planned

Charlie suggested adding permanent safety rings stands to all Beaches and Boat Ramp. Committee agreed and will work on getting installed. This will be year round as can be used in case of emergency in Winter months.

Steve will coordinate with Charlie and Kurt to lower pool water levels below filter level for winter

Discussed Lifeguard Management course that is coming up.

Discussed approved Lifeguard Salary line and what that means for how many guards can be hired next season. With increased min wages expectations are we will hire less guards in 2022 than we had in 2021. This will require reducing community hours at pools and possible coverage at Beach 1. Committee will review more as we get closer to hiring season.

Discussed Lifeguard Supervisor role and responsibilities. Suggestion is to make Lifeguard Supervisor responsible for scheduling and payroll and promoting a Head LG to an Asst Supervisor role to be responsible for day to day oversight of guards and implementation of scheduled activities.

No motions to submit this month

Approved by: Glen Katz-OIC

Beach Committee Meeting 9/8/21

Start: 7:04 pm

End: 7:57 pm

Prepared by: Steve Koenigsberg

Attendance: Steve Koenigsberg, Michelle Cromwell, Ami Nickel, Kristen Neu, Pat Degnan, Glen Katz

Discussion:

-Steve Koenigsberg reinstated as Co-Chair of Committee as lifeguards are now no longer under employment to POA.

-Discussion on issues with Olympia Pools and their unwillingness to complete this seasons contract due to billing disputes. We are reaching out to companies to get estimates to close the Drum and Circus Pools.

-Motion to purchase a new AED as backup to units currently at beaches and pools as we do not have one in case an existing one fails. Money to come from line 503.06 and not to exceed \$1600.00. This will overspend the line

-Motion to purchase three new Walkie Talkies. Money to come from line 503.17 and not to exceed \$2000.00 This will allow lifeguards to have radios at all 5 locations at one time with one for the Supervisor during regular hours.

-Discussion on getting bullhorns for beaches next season so Lifeguards can more easily communicate emergencies to public, such as to clear the water for lightening, etc.

-Discussion on Beach 1 playgrounds and work to build money into the budget to replace units piecemeal over the next few years.

-Question on the Beach 1 Volleyball net – would it be possible to update it so the net can be adjustable for kids vs adults. Same model as currently at the Afield hard surface court. Steve will reach out Kurt and Charlie to see what we would need. Most likely will require replacing the wood poles with metal structure.

-Pat brought up that the Beach Committee schedules a walk through of all the facilities to make a punch list for Maintenance on areas that need to be repaired / replaced / reviewed prior to open the next season. Steve will send an email to schedule with Pat, Ami, Michelle.

-Discussion on hiring exterminators for locations:

Beach 1 – Ants in bathrooms

Circus Pool – horse flies / mosquitoes / etc

Submitted by: Steve Koenigsberg-Co-Chair

Approved by: Glen Katz-OIC

Beach Committee Meeting 8/2/21

Start: 8:30pm

End: 9:47 pm

Prepared by: Steve Koenigsberg

Attendance: Ami Nickel, Steve Koenigsberg, Glen Katz, Chris Kleinwaks, Michelle Cromwell, Ed Clark, Lisa Marron, Adele Wadleigh

Discussion:

Discussion on Beach 1 Playground

Chris is still in the process of getting bid numbers. Intent is to build this amount into the budget under line 503.08.

Discussion on current Lifeguards

WML hosted a lifeguard certification course last week – and we hired 5 new guards from that class. 2 are eligible to work the beaches, 3 can only work the pools until they turn 16 next year.

We will be losing a number of guards as they start returning to college middle of August so we will be promoting two current guards to Head LG for the last few weeks of August.

Also – we will be alerting the community that the High Schools go back in session the week before labor day – so there will be no guards available during that week.

Discussion on Lake Supervisor Position

Michelle gave a great summary of the position and job responsibilities. The bulk of her time is spent on scheduling and payroll which can be done in off hours. Her suggestion is that next year we hire a Supervisor to oversee the beach operations (handle the schedule / payroll / assist in hiring / etc) and that we promote a Head Lifeguard to an Asst Supervisor position and that person will be responsible for the day to day management of the guards. And with that structure only hire 2 head lifeguards vs the current 4 we hire.

Discussion on Beach Budget – Line by Line review.

Committee will be submitting suggested budget lines to Joanne for review at next Board Meeting.

Submitted by: Steve Koenigsberg- Co-Chair

Approved by: Glen Katz-OIC

Beach Committee Meeting 7/14/21

Start: 7:05pm

End: 8:06 pm

Prepared by: Steve Koenigsberg

Attendance: Ami Nickel, Steve Koenigsberg, Pat Degnan, Glen Katz, Chris Kleinwaks, Josh Kroll, Frances Zegar, Lilli Sweet, Mike Ilardi, Charlie Bogusat

Discussion:

Steve Koenigsberg will not be an active co-chair or vote on any beach related matters until after the beach season ends due to his son being hired as a WML Lifeguard.

The Drum Pool shed is installed and shelves built by maintenance. Pool supplies and chemicals have been relocated to shed.

Now that equipment is more easily accessible; discussion on having lifeguards learn how to use the robotic cleaning tool.

Lifeguard Johnny Kaczmarek rescued two children in the lake at Beach 1. The children were left unattended by parents, went out too deep and began crying for help. Johnny immediately jumped off the stand and into the water and was able to reach the children before the situation worsened. Great Job Johnny!!

All Gate Guards have been trained and are working shifts – these guards fall under Security and will be scheduled from there.

Residents have asked for mirrors at the beach bathrooms – Charlie discussed with the town inspector that glass mirrors will not be permitted so he has found suitable replacements and we will be working to get them ordered in coordination with our new WML Beautification Sub-Committee.

Charlie and Steve walked the beaches with Kathryn Cerciello to begin to create a list of potential projects that the WML Beautification Sub-Committee can work on in coordination with maintenance and applicable committees.

Chris Kleinwaks has been meeting with playground manufacturers to get bids on replacing the Beach 1 playground equipment. The goal is to have these bids in on time to include in the 2022 budget discussion.

Began discussion on 2022 budget. Majority of discussion centered on increasing minimum wages over the next 3 years and our need to offer competitive salaries to attract lifeguards. Our goal is to have 50 lifeguards available per season to cover all beaches and pools for full schedule; we currently have 30.

Submitted by: Steve Koenigsberg-Co-Chair

Approved by: Glen Katz-OIC

Beach Committee Meeting 6/9/21

Start: 7:07pm

End: 8:05pm

Prepared by: Steve Koenigsberg

Attendance: Ami Nickel, Michelle Cromwell, Steve Koenigsberg, Pat Degnan, Glen Katz, Chris Kleinwaks, Josh Kroll, Frances Zegar

Discussion:

- Beach 1 parking blocks installed and working great
- Lifeguards
 - We are still short of where we want to be and still looking to hire
 - Discussed trying to get an instructor to offer a certification class at WML and have Beach Committee offset cost to attract 15/16 yr olds
 - Also discussed offering a bonus at end of season to existing lifeguards to offset their recertification expenses from beginning of season
 - For next years' budget – need to have serious discussion on salary for lifeguards
 - We are not competitive and big part of why we are losing candidates
- Drum pool failed inspection this week – nothing major, slightly over limits – CPO notified and pool treated will be reinspected and approved before weekend
- 10x10 tents were put at Beach 1 / Beach 2 / Drum Pool for additional shade at gate
- Michelle discussed wanting to start a beach buddy program – hiring 14/15 yr olds to work hours at the beach to help facilitate games / programs for the kids – and use that to spark interest in the lifeguard program going forward
- Discussion on working on a lifeguard appreciation program we can run to show how much we appreciate the amazing work they are doing already
- Discussion on hiring of Gate Badge Checkers for rest of summer – salary no more than \$12/hr. We are currently using Camp Counselors to fill in -but once camp starts they will no longer be available due to max hours per week they already work
- Discussion on lifeguard staff meeting coming up in two weeks – WML Resident that is certified in crisis management / de-escalation has offered to give a lesson to guards at meeting – currently planned for June 23rd at Club House
- Discussion on Beach 1 playground replacement. Chris Kleinwaks has been reaching out to Playground reps. Responses have been slow due to previous months of Covid shutdowns. Costs are currently much higher due to addl costs on transport / raw materials. Goal is to come up with a budget number to replace all equipment at beach 1 and vote on a line item in the 2022 budget. Then get quotes that fit within that line item in the budget.
- Discussed security issues at gates and need to work with Security Committee to come up with additional solutions – Lifeguards doing an amazing job so far.
- Discussed swim area – lake raking – working to get estimate for all swim areas to build into 2022 budget

Submitted by: Steve Koenigsberg-Co-Chair

Approved by: Glen Katz-OIC

Beach Committee Meeting 5/12/21

Co-Chairs: Steve Koenigsberg & Ami Nickel

OIC: Glen Katz

Start: 7pm

End: 8:05

Attendance: Charlie Bogusat, Ami Nickel, Lili Sweet, Michele Cromwell, Mike Ilardi

Discussion:

Beach 1 Parking lot concerns:

- Communicating with Twp. Attorney for more police assistance

- Planning is revising traffic control plans

Prep for Twp. Inspection of facilities:

- Waiting for Completion of Beach Binders

- Inspectors on Monday 5/24 at 9am.

- May have to order Uniforms from California Beach Hut in Denville

- Committee chairs need to pick up Keys from Michele

- Maintenance will prep buildings

- First Aid kits are ready for inspection

- Completed Waterfront Covid 19 Plan

Drum Pool update:

- Maintenance has spread a gravel bed around the pump & heating equipment

- Maintenance has cleared dead trees from around the pump & heating equipment

- Maintenance has cut the lawns and cleaned off the pool deck

- Olympic Pools has opened the Pool

- Superior Wireworks has performed the ground fault tests/bonding

There is significant damage to the drum pool decking – Charlie is getting estimates to repair for season and we are also looking into purchasing matting to put over areas as an alternative.

The entire Drum Pool deck and retaining wall will need to be ripped out and replaced before next season - Charlie is working on bids now.

Opening Schedule:

Drum Pool:

- Opening by Olympia Pools May 4

- Garden State Testing May 17

- Twp. Inspection May 24

Circus Pool:

- Opening by Olympia Pools June 7

- Garden State Testing June 14

- Twp. Inspection **June 21**

- Camp starts June 28

Beaches:

Twp. Inspection May 24

Lifeguard meeting scheduled for next Thursday March 20th at 8pm – Michelle Cromwell will run meeting.

Approved by: Glen Katz-OIC

Beach Committee Meeting 4/14/21

Start: 7pm

Attendance: Charlie Bogusat, Ami Nickel, Glen Katz, Chris Kleinwaks, Pat Degnan, Lili Sweet, Michele Cromwell

Discussions:

Concession Stand - Mr. Sam has agreed to \$500 one time fee and will be handing in contract shortly

Waterfront Manager - 2nd candidate to be offered position and accepted - has now backed out due to alternate job offer - we are advertising again-send job description to committee so they can share with people they may know. Discussed who can do this position-teachers with some lifeguard experience. Plan B-head lifeguards.

Lifeguards - we have received 11 job applications and sent offer emails to all 11

Min Wage has gone up to 12/hr - so if they were making 11 last year - offer will say 12

if they were making 12 last year - offer will be 13

if they were making 13 last year (Head LG) - offer will be 14 (no Head LG from last year has reapplied yet)-Glen reached out to 6 people on Tuesday

Charlie and Kurt will be checking pools this week before official opening - hoping no damage that might delay opening

Motion to hire Electrician to do the Pool Bonding for Circus and Drum Pools – Motion attached.

Two bids obtained – other vendors were not interested in bidding – Baptist is \$800 / Superior is \$475-committee agreed on Superior

Motion Submitted

Sand - Charlie had said he was letting Kurt coordinate the order – we will tell Michele ok to order and coordinate delivery with Kurt

Beach Umbrellas - we need to get these ordered-

Order from intheswim.com

The California Umbrella ME636958F03F04 6' Lifeguard

Red with no tilt

3 for each site, plus a few extra

Beach Closets / First Aid - since we don't have a Waterfront Manager, we need to schedule time to meet and clean out / resupply all beaches/pools-Charlie is taking care of this

Beach Manual - we need to review and make copies - we were waiting for Waterfront Manager but don't think we can wait any longer-we can pick a day to do

Drum Pool shed – pending delivery update

Pool and Beach Inspection dates have been scheduled by Charlie with Township. May 24 for Township inspection

Charlie discussed the pool Drum Pool and that the concrete is cracking, drains are collapsing, and walls are caving. Will need to assess this.

Ami and Glen to get keys for facilities (make copies of Steve's)

Discussed the poor condition of the playground equipment at Beach 1
Chris Kleinwaks is getting quotes.

Adjourned 7:54

Submitted by: Steve Koenigsberg

Approved by: Glen Katz-OIC

Beach Committee – 3/10/21

Attendees: Ami Nickel, Steve Koenigsberg, Lilli Sweet, Charlie Bogusat, Michelle Cromwell, Glen Katz, Pat Degnan, Chris Kleinwaks, Mike Ilardi, Frances Zegar, Brigid Grahame, Dan Gardner

Start: 7:04 pm

End: 8:12 pm

Prepared by: Steve Koenigsberg

Discussion:

Waterfront Manager Position – Candidate for position Dan Gardner joined the meeting tonight. He had previously met with Glen Katz and Steve Koenigsberg via zoom. Dan currently resides in South Korea (originally from Lake Hopatcong area) and is moving back to NJ before end of March. He has been teaching and coaching swim at a University in South Korea for the last 10 years. Before that he has been involved with Waterfront Management at beaches in Lake Hopatcong, Mt. Arlington, and Succusanna. After interviewing him with the full committee – Dan exited the zoom call and the committee after discussion voted to recommend his hiring to the full board at the next meeting.

Beach Sand – we have received three quotes for our annual delivery of sand for our beaches. Quotes from Silva/Sahara, Braen, and Atak. Silva/Sahara was the lowest bid at \$23.65/ton delivered and motion will be submitted to board – they are the same supplier as previous years.

Drum Pool Shed – Charlie received the samples of the Vinyl siding colors and will meet Ami and Steve at the Drum Pool on Friday to pick the color.

Lifeguards / Recertification – the person that had previously run the recertification of Lifeguards for WML is no longer available. She referred the board to a new company that specializes in this area. Lifeguard.com is a local company and works primarily out of the Drew University Pool. They will be supplying a bid to do the recertification program run here in WML and committee will review for next month's meeting. We are also researching if they can offer full lifeguard classes locally.

Beach Concessions – committee will be contacting the Beach 1 vendor this month to negotiate for the new season. We are also looking into potentially adding food truck options at other locations in the community (beach 2 & 3 / Drum Pool / Afield) during the season.

Submitted by: Steve Koenigsberg-Co-Chair

Approved by: Glen Katz-OIC

Beach Committee – 2/10/21

Attendees: Ami Nickel, Steve Koenigsberg, Lilli Sweet, Charlie Bogusat, Michelle Cromwell, Glen Katz, Pat Degnan, Chris Kleinwaks, Mike Ilardi, Brian Boardman

Start: 7:00 pm

End: 8:07 pm

Prepared by: Steve Koenigsberg

Discussion:

Shed for Drum Pool: Three bids received and reviewed by committee. Amish Mike's Shed was selected at a cost of \$3785 delivered to prepared spot. Other bids from Fox Run Sheds/\$4225 and John Brady Sheds/\$5479.27. Charlie will coordinate with Amish Mike's Sheds after motion passes board for color section, etc.

Pool CPO Discussion: Charlie has been sending out request for bid for Pool CPO for 2021 Season for Drum and Circus pools. We have received responses from Olympia Pools, Jersey Pools, and Crystal Clear Pools. Olympia was the most complete bid. Jersey pools did not submit a complete bid after numerous request – board should be aware that they serviced just the Drum Pool for a shortened 2020 season and the cost was over \$9000. After review and discussion the committee selected Olympia Pools with the understanding that we will only be billed for services used (if season is cut short or any pools not opened due to Covid restrictions.) Cost of Olympia service for complete season for two pools is \$15,417.57.

Discussion on Outdoor Facility Request Form – this form is used for residents to reserve a location for a party – residents can reserve any of the beaches, the circus pool, or Afield. Committee discussed rule that limits a resident to only one reservation per season (regardless of location) and if we wanted to adjust that rule. Decision was to check with office on past history of reservations for Non-Covid years and which if any book up and how often. If numbers suggest allowing a second reservation during the same season but with limitations – committee will discuss at March Meeting.

The committee also discussed the refundable fee charged for reservations. Currently fee is \$75.00 which is refunded IF the resident is confirmed to have cleaned up the party location and removed all garbage per agreement. Discussion was on if we should raise the fee – and/or make part of the fee Non-Refundable regardless of if area is cleaned up. Final decision was to raise the fee to \$100.00 but still keep it fully refundable if resident satisfies the requirements of the agreement.

Discussion on Concession stand for 2021 season. Committee will be reaching out to Mr. Sam's to see if they are interested in returning for the 2021 season. But also discussion on if we should be charging a fee to cover the POA costs (utilities,etc) for the location. This will be discussed with vendor and Charlie will also be working on an estimate for what that cost is for the beach 1 location. Committee also discussed seeing if any food truck vendors would be interested in visiting other locations on a regular basis in the community – such as Beach 2 / Beach 3 / Afield / Pools

Motion for Garden State Labs for water testing for the 2021 season. The motion will be for the fully invoiced amounts but there will be refunds from the 2020 season applied. The total amount of that contract is 3795.00, which is an increase of 250.00 from last year. When they send us an invoice for that contract, they will be giving us a 500.00 credit from 2020 because the Drum Pool did not open until mid-July. The invoiced amount will be for 3295.00.

The second contract will be an FYI for the Circus Pool and that is for 1350.00, a 50.00 increase from last year. When they invoice us for that, we will be getting a 1300.00 credit for 2020 as we did not open the circus pool last year. The invoiced amount will be for 50.00.

Submitted by: Steve Koenigsberg

Approved by: Glen Katz-OIC

Beach Committee – 1/13/21

Attendees: Ami Nickel, Steve Koenigsberg, Lilli Sweet, Charlie Bogusat, Michelle Cromwell, Glen Katz, Pat Degnan, Chris Kleinwaks

Start: 7:03 pm

End: 7:58 pm

Discussion:

Shed for Drum Pool chemical storage. We have received 2 quotes and working on getting them updated with changes needed as well as getting a third bid. Expectation is to take a vote at the February meeting. Location set by Charlie based on site survey will require preparation and grading to be done by WML Maintenance Staff. No building permit required, but committee approved Charlie applying for required zoning permit with the town so we are ready to begin work.

Beach 1 parking lot discussion. Charlie has reached out to a number of engineering companies to have them submit quotes to design the new parking lot layout with curbs at the street side. Based on the Survey of the property we expect we are going to lose some existing parking spaces – this to be discussed further at a monthly board meeting to get any additional feedback. We hope to have bids submitted for February meeting to take a vote on whether to proceed with drawings.

Waterfront Manager Position. A very qualified candidate has been interviewed and the committee has voted to submit a motion for hiring.

Pool Electrical Bonding. This is an issue that has to be addressed every few years to make sure the pools are up to code. This cannot be done until the Spring when pools are opened. Charlie will be scheduling this at that time and update the committee.

Waterfront booklet. A draft copy of the booklet that will be at all beaches and pools for lifeguard reference is being worked on. Once a Waterfront Manager is officially hired we will have them give input and then make the necessary duplicates for all locations.

Submitted by: Steve Koenigsberg-Co-Chair

Approved by: Glen Katz-OIC