



METAMORA PARK DISTRICT

Special Meeting Minutes

Date and Time of Meeting: Wednesday, May 6, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Location of Meeting: Meeting held virtually using Zoom

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Call to Order

Pledge	Performed at 7:03 p.m.
Roll Call	Matt Bidne, Kerry Brock, Andrew Kamm, Myranda Driskell, and Damian Baumann were virtually present.

Public Input

	There was no public input.
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Reports

	Employees Michelle Spielman, Mike Brockhouse, and Jaimie Shuda were also virtually present.
Pool	Mike Brockhouse gave the Pool Report. He has been getting some of the needed maintenance to the pool done, but work has been both complicated and delayed due to compliance with shelter-in-place guidelines. He noted that while the pool house could be ready to open fairly soon, it would be difficult to open the pool itself within the next few weeks, due to time lost in the preparation schedule to date. Brockhouse also noted he is having difficulty finding a way for his anticipated lifeguard staff to accomplish their Red Cross certification, again due to shelter-in-place guidelines.

Old Business

Opening of the Pool	<p>Commissioners discussed options for a possible later opening date and short season, which would require adjusting operations to meet the guidelines for social distancing set forth by the State of Illinois. It was also noted that under the guidelines, maximum attendance at any given time would need to be quite limited, and also that an additional directive could cause the pool to close at any point during the season. It was suggested that under the current situation, it might be best to offer only day passes.</p> <p>Ms. Shuda was asked for input on the feasibility of swim lessons, and she expressed concerns with offering lessons safely and yet complying with the social distancing guidelines. The feasibility of offering parties under the current guidelines was considered. Discussion on the logistics of how the</p>
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	<p>pool staff could manage day-to-day operations under the guidelines, such as not opening bathrooms or locker rooms, removing all deck chairs, limiting attendance at any given time in accordance with legislation, and enforcing social distancing for patrons, were discussed.</p> <p>Considerations of how to operate with a reduced guard staff if a means of certification is not found were considered, and opening for half days seemed to be a possible solution to a reduced staff, although it would add even more limits to the list of concerns.</p> <p>Commissioners struggled to balance concerns for the safety of staff and patrons and the complexities of operating under the new legislation with the desire to maintain this summer tradition and not disappoint the community, including MAST members and their own family members. Bidne noted the difficulty of the situation. He asked if the commissioners felt informed enough to make a determination as to if the pool could be opened for the season. The commissioners indicated they felt prepared. Bidne opened the floor to a motion.</p> <p>Kamm made a motion, which he noted was made with a heavy heart, to cancel the 2020 pool season. Baumann seconded the motion. Andrew Kamm, Damian Baumann, and Matt Bidne voted in favor. Kerry Brock and Myranda Driskell voted against. Motion to close the pool for the 2020 season passed.</p>
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Adjournment

	<p>Baumann made a motion to adjourn at 7:48 p.m. Brock seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.</p>
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Matthew Bidne, President

Sharon Leifheit, Secretary