

**Record of Proceedings**  
**BALDWIN CITY RECREATION COMMISSION**  
BCRC—705 High St.—Baldwin City, KS  
May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020  
7:00 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER**

*There was a quorum present and the meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. Present were:*

- Doug Kerr
- Bryon Wright
- Sean Hare
- Melissa Stultz, Commission Vice President
- Ginny Honomichl, President
- Matt McClure, Director

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

*None*

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

*Commission Member Hare made a motion to approve the agenda, Commission Member Wright made a second and the agenda passed 5-0.*

**PRESENTATION**

*None*

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*None*

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approval of Minutes from the April 29<sup>th</sup> BCRC Special Meeting.
2. Approval of Financial Statements from March and April 2020.

*Commission Member Stultz made a motion to pass the Consent Agenda, Commission Member Hare made a 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Consent Agenda passed 5-0.*

**OLD BUSINESS**

*None*

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Summer Day Camp

*Director McClure discussed Day Camp options for the summer with the Board. McClure shared with the Board new guidelines and restrictions put forth on day camps throughout the state. The Board instructed McClure to check in with the State to see how long the licensing process would take to expand the space currently licensed to accommodate current guidelines. The Board also made recommendations that would potentially fit within the guidelines. The Board tabled this item upon further information from the State.*

2. New Summer Baseball/Softball timeline

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*Director McClure shared with the Board a blueprint developed for a baseball /softball season that was adopted by the Tri-County and Big \$ leagues for the 2020 season. The Board asked the league perform contact tracing and abide by the guidelines and recommendations set forth by the CDC and KRPA. Commission member Hare made a motion to approve the plan and Commission Member Kerr made a 2<sup>nd</sup>, the motion passed 5-0.*

**3. Pool**

*Director McClure shared with the Board information related to opening the pool for the 2020 season. McClure indicated lap swim and swim lessons may be the only way the pool opens based on staffing levels, CDC guidelines and Red Cross lifeguard training restrictions. The Board began to debate many factors associated with opening the pool this summer. Chief among those being safety of our residents and cost to the citizens for limited use of the pool. After much discussion Commission Member Hare introduced a motion to close the pool for the 2020 season with 2 contingencies:*

- *That the City does not need to fill the pool to run pumps and filters to keep the equipment operable for future pool seasons. If the pool needs to be filled, then BCRC should explore how the pool can best be utilized by the community while working within the guidelines and restrictions in place for community swimming pools.*
- *That BCRC can find enough certified staff to fill all positions necessary to operate the pool at safe level while offering a quality product for both the community and staff alike.*

*The Board voted 4-1 to close the pool provided these contingencies cannot be met. Commission Member Stultz was the lone no vote. The Board tasked McClure with some questions related to costs associated with the filling, treating and general costs of operating the pool that the City currently absorbs. McClure will obtain these answers and the Board will discuss the future of the 2020 pool season at the May 20<sup>th</sup> meeting.*

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**COMMISSION REPORTS**

**Staff Reports-**

- **Baseball/Softball Registration as of May 8:**
  - T-Ball— 27
  - Little Sluggers – 38
  - 7/8 Baseball – 18
  - 9/10 Baseball— 27
  - 11/12 Baseball— 9
  - 13-15 Baseball— 9
  - 8U Softball- 9
  - 10U Softball- 10

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- 12U Softball- 13
- 15U Softball- 3

This puts registration thus far at 136. Once registration is open back up, with adjusted pricing, we expect registration to increase. Price adjustment will drop prices \$15 per league.

- Currently seeking best uniform option for our league that will satisfy both cost, quality and timeliness.
- Big 4/Tri-County League will meet again on May 14<sup>th</sup> to finalize statement and to agree on release of statement to ensure consistent communication.
- Baldwin City Blues are aiming for a July 1 league start date.
- Continuously working with KRPA Sports Branch to keep abreast of programming decisions.
- Brainstorming ideas for summer programming in lieu of baseball/softball if that is not allowed to occur.
- Updating Facebook and Twitter regularly.
- SNAG Golf, Jr. Golf, Adult Sand Volleyball (TBD with Baker Sigma Phi Facility) and Cornhole still a possibility at some point this summer. Modifications may have to be made, but still could be an option for programming depending on length of each phase.
- Challenger Soccer still aiming for soccer camp the last week of July.
- Working on fall activities for Kids Day Out for when no school is in-session due to teacher work days/collaboration. This will only happen if schools are opened back up in fall. Field Trips are TBD at this point. Much is contingent on the pandemic and new health codes that may evolve.
- After School Program will plan to operate at full capacity this fall.
- Day Camp Staff is all hired and ready to go.
- At this point in time...day camp would not be able to start till after the 1<sup>st</sup> of July, due to school re-opening. Our camps are set to end Friday, July 31, 020. From information available, we will likely still be social distancing and restricted to a limited number in gatherings. As of right now, 45+ children on the list to attend camp.
- Once school is opened back up, BCRC will be able to reinstate the childcare license.
- Pool passes and punch cards went on sale March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Sale of all passes has been halted until determination can be made on opening of the pool.
- New in 2020 is the physical card and keychain members receive when signing up for a pool pass. The cards have been received well. Members will now scan in at the pool and attendance will be tracked by our RecDesk software.
- Early Bird pool pricing is available all summer.
- Swim Lesson registration is on hold.
- Lifeguard training is on hold.
- WSI (swim lesson) training is on hold.

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- Deb has been busy staying in contact with our senior citizen group with phone calls, texts, social media, and stopping by their homes, while social distancing, with an I miss you sign.
- Continuing to research virtual programs such as bingo, trivia, to go art kits and more. Watching lots of informative webinars. Women in parks and recreation Facebook page has been very helpful. Also, trying to engage families of the community with hand outs and through social media.
- Teaching online yoga classes. Deb has a YouTube account with yoga and low impact workouts available.
- Deb has been able to update records, shred old documents, along with some organizing and cleaning.
- Mowing
- Seeding baseball, football and soccer fields.
- Spraying all fields for broadleaf.
- Spraying infield at Chapel St. and complex warning tracks for weeds.
- Fixing washouts at sports complex.
- Maintaining sprinkler system.
- Working with contractor on warning track repair.
- Machine maintenance.
- Coordinating with USD 348 about grounds concerns during shutdown.

**Director Report-**

- Currently keeping a gauge on current trends in the industry as it pertains to COVID-19 and the impact on the recreation industry. This is accomplished through meetings, phone conversations and online research.
- The June 13 Summer Concert and Movie Series scheduled for the golf course has been moved to the fall. BGA and BCRC are working on a new date.
- The 2020 Baseball Trip is currently on hold until MLB determines what it will do with games and admittance of fans. We have issued approximately 9 refunds so far. We still have 15 on the wait list, however, that may vary.
- Smoke on the Bricks 2020 officially moved to August 21-22.
- Plans for July 3<sup>rd</sup> are still a go at this point, however, as we near the end of May, we will need to make a decision regarding the show. We have options, we will just need to execute one of the.
- Currently part of the Bauer Gym Committee to determine future use of the building. The next meeting will take place on Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at City Hall.
- BCRC was to host will host the May KRPA Board meeting. It was to take place on Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at the Lumberyard Arts Center from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This may become a zoom meeting.

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- Work on KRPA's economic impact calculator has begun. It will be developed for all state agencies to be able to use to determine economic impact of certain activities and or facilities in their community.
- I will be spearheading KRPA's Tomorrow's Leaders' Summit. This will take place late fall and will be held virtually.
- Currently working with staff to develop more online offerings

**OTHER**

*Commission Member Kerr discussed a new app that could assist the Commission in programming. Tourneyxpro. Director McClure will be looking into the app.*

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

*None*

**ADJOURNMENT**

*Commission Member Hare made a motion to adjourn, Commission Member Wright made a 2<sup>nd</sup>, the motion passed 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 9:02*

Next meeting currently scheduled for Wednesday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. at the BCRC Office.