

**JERICHO UNDERHILL PARK DISTRICT**  
**MINUTES**  
**5/20/2020**

Board Members Present: Tom Cota, Judie Jones, Jim Massingham, Donna Pratt, Carol Smith, Livy Strong, Dave Williamson

Board Members Absent:

Guests: Emmit Manning

In the spirit of precautions recently announced by the federal and state government in regard to the Corona virus, this meeting was conducted by teleconference. JUPD social media outlined the ways in which interested public could hear and participate in the meeting by phone.

1. Livy called the meeting to order at 7:00.
2. Due to Social Distancing requirements in effect for Vermont, Jim moved to conduct this meeting by conference call. Livy seconded. Jim-yes, Dave-yes, Livy-yes Donna-yes Carol-yes, Tom-yes, Judie-yes. Motion approved.
3. Public Comment: Emmit outlined summer plans for Mansfield United Soccer Club. Current directives from the governor limit players to 10 per field plus coaches. The local club will be following the recommendations of the VSA (VT Soccer Association) in all their planning. They have the OK from the state to start on 5/22 but will wait until 6/15. They will still most likely need two fields as previously requested. They may alter their usage time in response to the governors directives. In order to plan ahead he needs to know how the board feels about organized soccer this year. Tom moved that, if they can remain in compliance, they can use the MRP facilities this summer. Judie seconded. Jim-yes, Dave-yes, Livy-yes Donna-yes Carol-yes, Tom-yes, Judie-yes. Motion approved.
4. Review of Minutes: Judie moved to approve the May 6 minutes. Tom seconded. Jim-yes, Dave-yes, Livy-yes Donna-yes Carol-yes, Tom-yes, Judie-yes. Motion approved.
5. Financial Report
  - a. We reviewed the report of the Treasurer:

Union Bank	\$47,592.80
NEFCU	<u>\$64,801.37</u>
	\$112,394.17
  
  - b. NEFCU accounts

Contingency	\$30,000.00
Bridge	\$34,801.37
Trails	\$0
Ponds	\$0
  - b. Carol requested that in June we move \$27,000 from Union Bank to NEFCU to support the bridge fund. She reminded us that typical summer revenue will not be coming in due to Corona virus complications.
  - c. Jim moved to approve the report. Dave seconded. Jim-yes, Dave-yes, Livy-yes Donna-yes Carol-yes, Tom-yes, Judie-yes. Motion approved.
6. Park Management
  - a. Landscaping update: Donna and Livy have done a great job planting and landscaping. The park looks great.
  - b. A beaver has been spotted in the pond. If a beaver family makes it home in the park, it could do a great deal of damage and is a concern. Nothing has been spotted recently. Board members will monitor.
  - c. Tree cutting: Neil has not yet completed the tree cutting that we requested. He is waiting for the trails to dry out. Tom and Dave will identify additional trees that need to be taken down for safety reason.
  - d. Opening Park for pavilion use: Livy has received a request for a graduation party on June 14. It may be in violation of the governors directives at this point. The board will wait for further direction from the state before deciding.
  - e. Trail Marker signs need maintenance. Tom will investigate and report back. He will also review the 'No Hunting' signs.

- f. Farmers Market will start on June 10. They will follow the governors recommendation regarding farmers markets.
  - g. Eric Barker's soccer camp will likely be moved to July or August. This is still undecided. Port-o-lets are still a question. Judie will communicate with Eric Barker to request a plan to comply with VT COVID-19 restrictions.
7. 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration:
- a. Kevin of Ruelle Design has provided a new sketch (#3A). Tom moved to approve design #3A. Livy seconded. Jim-yes, Dave-yes, Livy-yes, Donna-yes, Carol-yes, Tom-yes, Judie-yes. Motion approved.
  - b. Donna presented a draft of a contract that we could offer Kevin.
10. Livy brought up the idea of buying hats or some other identifying article that would make it easier for board members to interact with the public.
11. Judie moved to adjourn. Dave seconded. Motion approved. Jim-yes, Dave-yes, Livy-yes, Donna-yes, Carol-yes, Tom-yes, Judie-yes. Motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:21.

Respectfully submitted  
Jim Massingham