

Town of Cape Elizabeth
Community Services Committee
Meeting Minutes
12/08/21

Attending: Andrea Ernst (AE), Amy Lombardo (AL), Sarah MacColl (SM), Jon Mortimer (JM), and Terri Patterson (TP)

Absent: Jill Palmore and Tara Simopoulos

Meeting opened at 5:35 pm - Kathy Raftice

Draft Minutes from November 10, 2021 accepted as written (5 – Yes, 0 – No)

Public Comment – None

Correspondence – None

CECS Updates

KR shared she is beginning to work on the FY 23 budget. The winter brochure is now in the mail. Programmers have done a fabulous job with offerings and looking forward to registration which opens on Sunday, December 19 @ 8:00 pm.

Youth

KR provided update on HS sports and the impact on gym scheduling. Committee discussed how facility scheduling had developed. KR has brought new facilities scheduler up to date on priority progression. KR shared how CECS developed a 7/8 expansion team after first year of cuts. Linda Strunk and Susan Frost instrumental in this endeavor and we have received very positive feedback. Saturday bball has begun and we will be hosting travel bball games on 4 or 5 Sundays this year. All working out well with Susan Frost doing a wonderful job. KR has been asked about the potential for Open Gyms/Booster project. KR brought committee up to date on Community Ice Rink (temporary) again behind Town Hall. Having discussions with the group around scheduling and use on Friday, December 10th. TP asked about the permanent structure and where that process is. KR shared there are many steps, the first is gaining Town Council approval on location and they are fundraising.

Adults & Seniors

Discussed with committee Seniors Holiday Luncheon. Scheduled at the Snow Squall for Friday, December 10th. Change in entertainment however fortunate we were able to schedule Tom Dyrberg. We have 30 folks attending which is wonderful given the circumstances.

Pool & Fitness

Inflatable is back and we are very happy as are those who have rented. Repairs should last for a little while however we will be budgeting for a replacement. AL asked how much this one cost. KR shared the cost was around \$13,000 in 2016/17. KR shared we have some adult

lifeguards who have returned which is comforting. Swim meets will be beginning and we are only allowing 1 spectator per swimmer to try and control numbers in the pool area. School in agreement.

Cape Care

KR shared the information about the grant Kelly applied for and we were awarded. Exciting news for our teachers. We will be looking into some updates in the classrooms and on the playground. Committee discussed Public Pre-K, grant process and potential impact on CECS.

Fort Williams Update

KR shared with committee registration opened for Cape residents on December 1st and will open for non-residents on January 1st. New fees were approved by the Town Council and have gone into effect. RFP's have gone out for some projects in the park. (Berm, Portable Toilets and Fencing). Presently working on the budget with the FWPC. KR shared the potential for Winterfest fireworks on January 29th. TP asked about location and time etc. She will share with those in the abutting neighborhood.

Meeting adjourned 6:40 pm

Next 3 meetings: Wednesdays; January 12, February 9, and March 9 @ 5:30 pm,

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Raftice