Madison Beach and Recreation Commission
Monthly Meeting on Tuesday May 5, 2020
By Zoom Videoconferencing

Members Present: Rob Card (Chair), Mary Pat Nardino (Vice Chair), Pamela Greene and Vince Dussich.

Members Absent: Shane Kokoruda

Others Present: Scot Erskine (Director)

Rob Card called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

I. Approval of Minutes-Regular Minutes-March 3, 2020- Scot stated that the minutes reflected the wrong date. The minutes were dated March 4, 2020 instead of March 3, 2020. Vince motioned to approve the minutes and Mary Pat seconded with amending the minutes to reflect stating the correct date. All members present were in favor.

II. Director’s Report

- State of Operations- Scot stated that all programs are cancelled till the end of June. He said that they are looking to revamp some of the programs for July and August. They are looking at the size of the programs and figuring out how to best manage the Executive Order of social distancing. Scot talked about the office of Early Childhood education where certain mandates were out there that said you cannot have more than 10 in a group. He mentioned summer scape and how they would have to spread out within the two surf club rooms and then to the field houses with two other groups of 10 or less with the counselors in order to satisfy the Executive Order. Scot said that he will be meeting with First Selectwoman Peggy Lyons to go over all the different programs that the Beach & Rec Department offers. They will come up with suggestions as to what they can potentially offer to the public. He mentioned that the large group programs like sailing and basketball are all done for the season. They are looking into Drive-In movies as an option. Drive-In concerts are also a possible option. The plan is to make these options as safe as possible for the public to enjoy a night out. Sport camps that are small in size and not contact oriented might be able to be run in August Scot said. The Beach and Rec website states that they are not taking any registrations for programs at this time.
Operation Challenges- Scot said starting this weekend they will be posting at the Surf Club, East Wharf and West Wharf that they are open to residents only. The gates will be mandated and people will have to show prove of residency which will be a driver’s license, a tax bill, a car registration or a seasonal sticker for 2020. This is the plan for the weekends up until June 20, 2020 where they would start to implement the pass system hopefully where everyone would have to have a seasonal sticker and they are even holding off at that point until they determine a date for non-resident daily sales or the guests or Madison residents. Scot said it is imperative that they keep social distancing down. He wants to keep the crowds low so that there is no confrontation. Scot mentioned that a lot of the rentals are being cancelled because the groups are larger than 5. The Memorial Day Parade will be a virtual parade. July 4, 2020 will be postponed until Labor Day. Labor Day weekend will have the fireworks, the parade and the concert. Scot mentioned having a graduate parade for the kids that will start at the high school and ending at the Surf Club. The kids will be entering through the plaza and no guests will be allowed. There will be a video screen at in the plaza area. Strong Field will be displaying video of the kids. This will possibly be taking place either July 26, 2020 or August 2, 2020. The parade will be through the center of town traveling up through the school and then go back down to the Surf Club by Copse Road. They can park in the parking lot at strong Field and grab their goodies on the bleaches. Scot stated that the Budget Hearing was tonight and that they were going over everyone’s budget to see where they are at. He mentioned that coverage would be going back to the 5 day week coverage for lifeguards and gate guards instead of the 7 day week like originally planned. They may be closed Monday and Tuesday. They lifeguards and gate guards would work Wednesday through Sunday. He mentioned the only piece coming soon so that people can purchase their passes online. They are already excepting the mail in renewals. Scot said that they have a meeting on Friday about the new splash page registrations. If this goes into effect next week then everyone would be able to see the new Madison Recreation page. The staff will be wearing masks and gloves and will be doing social distancing. Scot talked about the July 4, 2020 events because Vince brought up a question as to when the events would be taking place Labor Day weekend. The parade will be taking place on the Saturday of Labor Day weekend, the fireworks will be taking place the Friday of Labor Day weekend and the concert will be on Sunday of Labor Day weekend. The rain date for the fireworks will be the Monday of Labor Day weekend. The Saturday after Labor Day will be the JC Triathlon. The weekend before Labor Day they are trying to put the Rotary Club with their carnival in place. Scot gave First Selectwoman Peggy Lyons all of the updates as well.
III. **Adjournment** - Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:07 p.m. from Pam and seconded by Mary Pat. All members were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kristen Panzo