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Meeting Date: 6/29/2023 Meeting Location: Hybrid Minutes Approved: __10/3/23__

Members Present: Tom Belland, Dan Byer,

Members Absent: AJ Byrne Parks Director: Dan Byer

Others:

The meeting was called to order at 12:06 with Tom and Dan in attendance.

The commission interviewed Joe Antoun for the maintenance position. They discussed his experience and work ethic. He's in high school. He has helped his father around the house, is willing to learn, interested in the position because he thought it would be a good experience.

The commission interviewed Cage Witham for the maintenance position. He previously attended our rec program and is in high school. They discussed his experience. He has some mowing experience with yard work. Discussed leadership experiences at school.

Tom and Dan discussed the beach ramp, Shawn's proposal is \$3,800 to clean up the access path and fix the collapsed ramp.

They discussed the picnic tables and benches for the beach

The commission interviewed Dylan Wang for the maintenance position. He is a college student. He discussed his experience. He knows Aiden Morcone and has worked with him. They discussed his experience working in landscaping. He has experience with leadership in school through student council organizing projects. They discussed his availability; he has a few vacations and will be back in school on 8/13. He is interested because he felt it would be a good experience and has a passion for landscaping.

The commissioners discussed. They are concerned about Dylan's availability, we really need someone who can work the whole summer. Also the younger kids will likely return next year. Dylan will be seeking internships in his field. They reviewed the hours and needs for the season.

Tom made a motion to hire Cage Witham and Joe Antoun as Landscape Maintenance Crew members at \$16/hr for a min of 16 hrs per week pending a clear background check. Dan seconded and all approved.

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Dan reviewed a new lifeguard applicant we got. She is friends with Victoria Margaret and we are in need of more staffing.

Dan made a motion to hire Margaret Schmalenberger as a lifeguard at a rate of \$16 per hour, pending a clear background check, Tom seconded and all approved.

They discussed promoting the junior counselor candidates who have turned 16. We are in need of more counselors due to vacations and these 2 candidates are now 16 and have proved themselves ready for the position. Dan also updated Tom on the JC program, things have been going well and hopefully they will stay for future years and increase our returning staff pool. We also got a late applicant from Rebecca Dunlavey who has attended our program in the past.

Dan made a motion to promote Ava Bryant and Cadence Murzycki to counselors at a rate of \$15 per hour, Tom seconded and all approved.

Dan made a motion to hire Rebecca Dunlavey as a junior counselor at \$13 per hour pending a clear background check, Tom seconded and all approved.

The commissioners discussed the Rock the Block Event and the Brothers beach event.

The commissioners discussed the status of the beach fence. We are waiting on the contractor to schedule the work.

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The meeting was adjourned at 11:11am.