

**Meeting of Hillsdale Swimming Pool Commission
September 20, 2023
Hosted In Person at Stonybrook Swim Club**

CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN @ 7:35 PM

ROLL CALL: Managing Director Patty Hughes, Chairman Dan Sullivan, Lisa Spadafino, Rob Stigliano Linda Parisi, Assistant Manager Garrett Rothschild
Tardy: Liaison to the Mayor and Council Abby Lundy (8:25pm)
Absent: Roseann Heytink

TOPICS DISCUSSION

August Minutes

Motion to approve minutes:

Motion: Rob

Seconded: Linda

All in favor: Approved

Tasks for the next three Months

- Patty is now at Stonybrook full time. She will work closely with the finance committee to work on the budget.
- The finance committee and the commission will be working on the budget for the 2024 fiscal year.
- The commission will vote on the budget in November.
- The CFO will be helpful in accomplishing this goal.
- Looking ahead to the end of this year, the commission wishes to create a 2024 programs and events calendar prior to the end of 2023 to be approved by the Borough Hall.
- More advertising in 2024
- Website creation and completion (not to exceed \$3,500 and \$35 per month fee per June commission minutes and commission approval).

Pool Manager Update

- All bills up until this week are paid from 2023. Our profit currently is at \$350,000. It is expected to wind up around \$250,000 when all final expenses are finalized.
- There are a few outstanding bills for the end of the year, and Patty will calculate and report back next month.
- Despite all the setbacks and increased expenses over the past few years, the success of this season is a testament to the leadership and management of Patty Hughes, her management team, and the Hillsdale Swimming Pool Commission.
- Over the past three years, the pool has profited nearly \$600,000 which the commission intends to reinvest into the facility for years to come.

- Patty is going to generate a list of items for repair and replacement for the five-year plan going into 2024.
- Planning is underway for Drool in the Pool 2024. Discussion of swag was had.
- The hailstorm / lightning storm in mid-September hit the grounds. We lost all playground mulch which costs nearly \$6,000. The diving pool and pump were also taken out by this storm. The insurance company has been notified and Patty has submitted the claim. The estimates for the pumps, motor, and piping for the diving pool are being collected.
- Security and surveillance are on the commission's wish list for next year.
- The commission is looking to discuss with the town on how to get better cell phone service in this area of town.
- Member/non-member garage sale at the pool before the end of the year.
- Bid packages for opening and closing will be sent out in November and it needs to be approved by the finance committee.
- A resolution needs to be made to go out to bid for; pool opening, pool closing, snack bar, and Phoenix Aquatic.

Future Stonybrook Facility Preparations

- Patty had plans drawn up a few years ago, during discussions surrounding the community center (circa 2015).
- The plans included renovations to the main building. The commission will revisit and explore this plan again looking ahead to the future of the swim club.
- Community center planning discussion occurred, and additional revenue opportunities were discussed, and tabled until the October meeting.

Motion to Adjourn:

Motion: Lisa

Seconded: Linda

Meeting Adjourned: 9:08pm

The following regular meeting of the Hillsdale Swimming Pool Commission will be held on Wednesday October 11, 2023 @ 7:30pm at Stonybrook Swim Club.

**Respectfully Submitted by,
Erica Rose Cohen
Hillsdale Swimming Pool Commission Secretary**