

PRESENT: Antokal, Caron, Cohen, Lapin, Patinkin (5)
ABSENT: None (0)

Also, in attendance were Jeff Nehila, Secretary/Executive Director; Linda Anderson, Tony Korzyniewski, staff members.

Staff has been meeting with the North Shore Rhythmic Gymnastics group for the past 6-8 months regarding their use agreement that will be expiring this fall. Staff informed the group that the district would be seeking restitution for rent of the space. At a minimum the district's goal would be to cover what could be made on a third tennis court. The desired target was projected to hit a \$10 per square foot rental rate based on the group's use of approximately 6,700 square feet of space. Thus, we have discussed a stepped program to hit the target of \$67,000 at the start of year 5 of a potential ten-year lease. Years 6-10 reflect a 3% increase per year.

Staff believes NSRG to be an asset to the community. There are Deerfield children that participate in the program. NSRG is a regional draw. People move here so their child can participate in the program. It has value to the district to be a partner and host to this program.

Staff has another meeting set up in February. NSRG has informed staff that they would be willing to move forward with the rates and work on the other terms.

President Cohen has no issue with the rental rates but doesn't want commit to a 10-year lease. Commissioner Antokal suggested a 3-year lease. President Cohen recommended getting a security deposit of maybe \$5,000. President Cohen doesn't want the district to lock ourselves out of the space. NSRG is part of US Gymnastics but doesn't get funding from them. The district does get a modest amount from program revenues. Commissioners agreed on a 3-year lease at the staff recommended rate and can re-negotiate the lease after 3 years.

Director Nehila had a meeting with the brother of our Jewett Park neighbor Joab Silverglade. He wanted to discuss the plans for Jewett Park. He was concerned about the noise that the pickleball courts would create. He asked what the rules of engagement were for acquisition. Director Nehila stated that a letter was sent to Joab and he has the option to open a dialog with the district.

There being no further discussion, motion made by Vice-President Patinkin, seconded by Commissioner Caron, to adjourn Closed Session and reconvene to Open Session at 10:06 p.m. Voice vote as follows:

AYES: Patinkin, Caron, Antokal, Lapin, Cohen (5)
NAYS: None (0)
Motion passed in a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Jeff Nehila, Secretary