

Minutes
COVID-19 Response Team
Video Conferencing
Thursday, May 28, 2020
7:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Tim Soular, East Range Police Department Chief; Jeff Jacobson, Biwabik City Administrator; Becky Lammi, Aurora City Administrator; Amanda Gross, Mesabi East School Board; Laura Ackman, Essentia Health Administrator

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 a.m.

Becky Lammi said there have been several questions from citizens regarding garage sales. **The Team determined garage sales are up to individuals and encourages everyone to follow social distancing guidelines.**

Becky Burich stated there are 53 seasons open in the Hoyt Lakes Campground. The remaining recreational sites will open to anyone living in the Mesabi East School District for the beginning of June. Hoyt Lakes is doing a curb clean up the second week of June. Discussion took place on utility shut offs and penalties.

Tim Soular indicated there has been back and forth discussion on showers at the campgrounds. **The Team determined shower facilities should remain closed until further notice.** The Response Team discussed lifeguards at the beaches in Biwabik, Hoyt Lakes, and the Town of White. **The Team determined beaches will remain “swim at your own risk” until further notice. The Team determine the skate parks in Hoyt Lakes and Biwabik can reopen.** Local establishments and recreation were both discussed.

Jodi Knaus stated the Town of White is getting a lot of calls on the community center. All employees are back to work full time.

Jeff Jacobson has a meeting tonight, at which the Biwabik campground and beach will be discussed. Businesses are a continued topic of discussion.

Laura Ackman provided an update regarding the upcoming protocol for staff and nursing home residents to be tested.

Amanda Gross said Mesabi East will be hosting an invite-only ceremony on Saturday at the Hoyt Lakes Arena parking lot. It will be broadcast live on Channel 2.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, June 4, 2020 at 7:30 a.m. via Zoom. This is a closed meeting.