October 2, 2023 Boyertown Borough Council Boyertown Pool Update

On Monday, October 2, 2023, at a meeting of Borough Council two motions were approved relating to the Community Swimming Pool. Those motions authorized execution of proposals provided by Boyer Swimming Pools, Inc. to make miscellaneous repairs to the shell and expansion joints to facilitate a more watertight structure, which will enable the pool to hold water during the winter months; and to complete winterization of the pool and splash pad.

This action was taken to prevent further deterioration of the structure over the winter months while the Borough continues investigation of pool repair costs. At a minimum those repairs include full restoration of all three joints, shell and skimmer box repairs, and replacement of the failed main drain line which runs from the diving well to the pump house and is approximately fourteen feet deep.

A motion to authorize execution of a proposal for Aquatic Facility Design, Inc. to conduct a survey and assessment of the pool to examine the options for repair and to assign costs to those options was tabled. This action was taken because the Finance Committee of Borough Council wants to meet again with Aquatic Facility Design, Inc. to review the proposal to ensure that nothing has been overlooked and that the survey and assessment will incorporate all areas of concern and will provide a complete and comprehensive review of the structure and the repairs needed in order to open the pool in the future.

The Finance Committee of Borough Council will schedule this meeting as soon as possible and if satisfied will recommend that Borough Council authorize execution of the proposal at the November 6th Council Meeting. Completion of this assessment will provide the Borough with a professional cost estimate of the immediate repairs necessary to reopen the pool and provide a projection of life expectancy and projected annual maintenance costs. Borough Council will use this information to assist them in making a decision concerning the future of the facility.

It should be noted that Borough Council has not made a decision to reopen or to permanently close the community pool.