

Recreation & Parks Commission Meeting Minutes
8/4/2020 @ 4:30p via Zoom Call

Attendance: Absent Matt Martin
Minutes approved of the last meeting

New Business - no new business

Appearance - Brian Wheeler

Devereux Beach Music

- more detailed guidelines
- check list needs to completed
- Outdoor event & beach guidelines
- Send to Linda & Rec & Park Department
- Possible date Saturday, August 15th

Rink Study Meeting Update - Derek & Chip

Hockey entered the meeting with the impression the money was given for a rink. They see it as seed money toward a full blown rink with locker rooms & amenities. 8-10 million dollars rink. Meeting to determine if it is a viable project and if there is space. Chip gave boards perspective on scaled back rink plus other work at Reynolds playground. Rec & Park Commission has no desire to get into the rink business. Consultant needs a month to compile information on different options. 3-weeks consultation will present site options for rink and costs. 3 acres for a full rink with some parking. Suggestions on space - Recreation & Parks would not give up green space. Will report back after the next meeting. Commissioners want to be involved with site walks. Waiting to hear back from the consultant with plan viable options. Commission Concerns: No scheduled viable site visits from Consultant

Recreation

Update on Recreation Programs - extending with delay of schools

Fall - will be decided based on school plans

Tent Artificial Surface (Raimo Zone & Seaside) -reach out to Marblehead Tent

Dylan Saunders - Seasonal Ground Beach & Recreation instructor

Superintendent Update

Hoop at Gatchells - compromised post due to straightening from old hit. Reached out to Bobby Pappas. Pappas will assist. Possible dig out and reset to get back in action. Welding bend part of post (backboard) cut off at straight, attach to new piece of galvanized pipe and reweld it into the ground. Look into cost to take back board off, new pipe & post. Dig out the existing pipe as delicately as possible. Peter will reach out to the company that installed in 2012. Truebounce put the hoops in.

Fionna Luback - Gothawait/Devereux Beach

Offered volunteers to clear japanese knotweed behind the garage. She doesn't want it to spread into the marsh. She has been piling it and Rec & Park picks it up. She is also offered clearing other invasives. Thinking of planting blueberry bushes.

Stramski Update

John G will paint Stramski house . May have to rent a lift for the driveway side. Chip shared color for paint. Benjamin Moore Gray, white windows & black door. Department saving with prevailing wage the job would be \$40K.

Dean Cuzner to do work at Stramski house and the Gays property. 2 days, 4 guys estimate \$3000 to clean it all out. Will do "V" & all the way down the property line. Remove the old fence and clean up down to the water line.

Stramski Survey of property

Walter Jacob is developing architectural plans for an accessibility plan with ramp, deck and the rest of inside work..

Athletic Fields

Cutting back on water for the next 4 week with the heat. Letting grass go dormant if there are no athletics this fall. Doesn't think it will hurt grass which will result in saving money on water and fertilizer. Only if fields are not going to be in play for sports.

Sports Committee - wait on meeting until after MIAA update

Devereux Beach

\$26K for summer down \$12K but with no lifeguard salaries up \$2K

Suggestion for longer staff hours - budgeted for hours. Staying later and opening earlier.

Locking Gates - no staff. Park Police?

New shed for 2021 - possible salvage old shed for Riverhead but a new one for main lots

Staffing Beach longer 2020 Extend beach collecting hours. Motion to extend the beach parking fees to Sept 30 based on weather and utilization. All in favor. Update website.

Sustainable Marblehead

Beach Cleaning - they would like to have a formal partnership with Parks Department to assist with needs. Chip will reach out to connect for volunteer work

Permits

Nate Desrosiers - wedding & pictures 9/19/2020 Chandler Hovey - Approved

Mya Prakapenka - Wedding 8/16/2020 Chandler Hovey 1:30-4:30p - Approved

Charter School - Class of 2020 graduation ceremony Reynolds Field 8/30/2020 - approved with written submission of COVID-19 plan. Jaime will reach out.

David Stein - Wedding 9/5/2020 Crocker Park - Approved

Temple Sinai - Devereux Beach small portion of beach set aside 1 hour religious ceremony on 9/20/2020. We will leave boardwalks for easy access. Peter to meet with them to go over the location on the beach & parking. No charge for parking - suspend all fees. Jaime to receive COVID 19 documents. Approved

Adjourned at 5:34p. Next meeting TBD