

# Marblehead Recreation & Parks Commission Meeting

August 19, 2020

4:30p

Attendance: Chip Osborne, Linda Rice Collins, Jerry Tucker & Matt Martin

Not in Attendance: Derek Norcross

Hold vote to approved minutes of last meeting

Discussion: Jerry Meeting Minute review procedures. Split of responsibilities after a year without the clerk.

Technical Difficulties - 4:35-4:38p

## New Business:

- Matt Martin - increase \$1.00 per square foot for Float Storage Fee. Call from Yacht Clubs. Discussion about deferring fee for a year for yacht clubs
- Chip Osborne - Judy Jacobi passing. Present to the commission (after discussion with Town Administrator, Jason Silva and Selectman, Jackie Belf-Becker) to change the name of the Marblehead Community Center to Gene and Judy Jacobi Community Center. This is an offer from the Recreation & Parks in partnership with Selectman. The vote will happen in the Selectmen's meeting on Sept 2nd. A committee formed to oversee the change. 2 commissioners from each board. This would be open for donation since nothing could be done in memoriam. The donation to give the outside of property and building rehab. Linda and Jerry volunteered for the committee if the commission votes approval. Jerry will concede if Derek would like to be on committee.

## Superintendent Update:

- Basketball Hoop - Same pole with 6ft extension instead of 4ft so we don't disturb court. Digging out old foundation may disturb the court. Use movie money, and beach money. \$6300 motion made by Jerry and seconded Matt all in favor work to be performed by ProBuilt Designs.
- Surveyor for property line at Seaside. Estimate \$3840 in response to encroachment issues on the Chestnut street side of the property (left side). Reclaim park land. Nord-East Survey company. Matt motion for survey, Jerry seconded, all in favor
- Have Stramski Survey that was done in 2015 - found all points of the property line.
- Have a Survey of Green Street - will need to find points.
- Veterans Softball Backstop Issue - Backstop curling up. Wrong type of fencing. Sentry Fence said fencing is what would be used on a tennis court. Not thick enough gauge for a backstop. Extra piping & fencing \$2875 quote. Quote was sent to AD with no response. It is a safety issue. Go ahead, and we'll figure out payment after work is completed. Recreation & Parks will step forward on school property due to safety issues. Motion made and seconded to fix the backstop for the safety of softball. Rec & Park will pay in hopes the School Department will pay back. All in favor.
- Marblehead Youth Softball and Farmers Market issue sharing of space on Saturdays. Response to moving on softball fields on August 8th. Art Rogers of Marblehead Youth Softball accused Recreation and Parks of Title 9 Violation and mis-treatment of girls. Chip reached out to Jason Silva, Town Administrator for next steps with Town Counsel. Accusation of taking better care of boys fields over girls fields from softball and Athletic Director. Linda addressed Title 9 rules.
- Bob Gillis will need knee surgery. Unknown date once scheduled out 2-12 months for recovery. Peter will have a conversation with the Town Administrator to see options to hire seasonal help out of his salary.

- Beach Update - replace metal guard rail with wooden guard rail and Riverhead new post & rail fence. . On the Devereux side keep metal posts and attach wood. Pete will get pricing for improvement. Work could be done by staff.

#### Recreation Update

- Summer Recreation Numbers
  - \$210k for Summer 2020
  - 3K registrations
  - 1600 unique registrations
- Fall Programs
  - As sports & schools guidelines are finalized
  - Outdoors Only
  - Under lights - daylight savings
- Creation Friends of Recreation & Parks/Family Fund for fundraising purposes to support unfunded Recreation & Parks properties and facilities.
- Sailor Letter Addressed- SUP

Inner Harbor Pavillion - Reach out to the building inspector to see if there will be any permitting issues then work with Becky for RFP Would like to get done before winter.

Talk with Bruce Greenwald for plans to replace the pavilion facing Childrens Island with handicap access. Would be the only place in Marblehead that people in wheelchairs could get close to the water..

Bathrooms at the Lighthouse need a new roof. Peter is working on getting an estimate.

Athletic Fields - Fertilizing next week. Looks good due to light use.

Shattuck Fund - Jerry motion, linda second, all in favor

- Sustainable Marblehead -request for "bubblers"/hydrating stations. Water bottle filling stations and water drawing stations for pets. Devereux Beach, Chandler Hovey, Crocker Park and Stramski attached to buildings. Future - Seaside and Memorial Park. Appropriate \$15K from request. For purchase and installation. Linda is concerned about Devereux Beach due to sand weather. Maybe alternate sites with water access - Seaside Park.
- Stramski Handicap Access to front of House. \$25K . Wooden ramp, switchbacks, main entrance will still have stairs but the ramp would come from the other side with a platform.
- Walter Jacob is drawing plans for deck and ramp. 10k in architectural fees for needed plans to finish renovations.

#### Correspondence

- Andrew Gravel - email music video request
  - 4 band members, 2 videographers, LightHouse in August, 2 hours to film, live drum set, play pre-recorded set
  - Pending appropriate nature of video and site walk
  - Insurance and permit fee of \$100
  - Jerry made a motion, second Matt, all in favor

Meeting adjourned 5:15pm