

Bare Cove Park Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, August 17, 2021

In attendance: Claudia Eaton, Lauren Murphy, Karen Trask, Michael Cioffi, Rik Johnson, Ray O'Neill, Ted Matthews, Katie Puzo

Absent: Dewitt Delawter

Guests: Marika Kopp (HHS rowing team Coach)

Meeting called to order at 7:07 pm

- Reviewed and accepted July Meeting Minutes
- Ranger's Report - Approved
 - Plymouth County Mosquito Control has sprayed in the park. Plan to spray again shortly before the marathon in Sep. Have sprayed periodically in the park for the past 6-7 years.
 - Has contacted DPW re: triangle garden. Will hopefully come this week and dig up loam from the exterior part of the triangle. Art Collins will place new plastic to kill all weeds and then plant seeds.
 - Mowing. Trash runs. Trees overhanging paths to be trimmed by DPW.
 - Days museum has been open - minimum of 30 people each time open.
 - Rec Center Parkland went well. Claudia to contact Mark Thorell to get feedback from Rec Dept perspective.
 - Benches
 - Re: the ones that have cracked (Owens and Swanson benches). Replacement pieces will be sent at no charge sometime in Sep.
- Treasurer's Report - Approved
 - Salary. Eastern Alarm. Fuel.
 - Lowe's invoice from March 2021 was re-processed and had to be taken out of the Gift account because the fiscal year was closed out. \$1000 encumbered for signage.
- Signage for the park update
 - Have been in contact with Selectmen, waiting for BCP signage to be on an upcoming Select Board agenda.
- CPC application update
 - Will apply next year.
- Building 80 roof repair
 - Capital request is due in the fall.
 - Have estimates for the roof but it does not include wall repair.
- Porta-potty study - Tabled

- Memorial bench guidelines
 - Benches have a 10 year warranty, but will likely last longer.
 - Town of Hingham has redone its Memorial Bench Request Form with the assistance of John Coughlin.
 - 3K for one bench installed
 - Need to devise new Bare Cove Park Memorial Bench Request Form. Ensure specific for Bare Cove Park to avoid confusion.
 - Considerations for guidelines
 - Fees: maintenance fee? Fee for a new plaque on an existing bench vs a new bench?
 - Will benches/plaques be in perpetuity or will fee cover a set time period (ex 10 years)?
 - Should a donation to the park (Gift account) be suggested in addition to the cost of bench/plaque?
 - BCPC needs to control installation and cost.
 - Record keeping. Need to maintain list of donors, contact information, bench age, etc
 - BCPC to approve wording on plaque?
 - BCPC to ID locations for benches and suggest those locations to donors versus donors requesting a location? Ensure distribution of benches throughout the park.
 - Option to expand memorial options. Trees. Picnic tables. Bricks for pavilion.
 - Have set fee that includes cost of item plus donation to park
 - Separate form for bench/picnic table versus tree
 - Per Michael Shea plaque in granite bench vs engraving granite itself would increase cost of bench 70%. Can round the edges of a granite bench. Committee will send him a bench request form once complete. BCPC prefers plaque to proceed with the granite bench.
- Further discussion on projects for the park and 2021 goals - Tabled
- Items not anticipated on the Agenda. Public discussion.
 - Rowing team
 - Town approved moving equipment from the left side of the dockhouse museum to the right side.
 - Concerns about equipment location impeding vista for park users.
 - Fence has to be placed in a certain direction so the wind doesn't blow over the boats. Recommend keeping equipment tucked back to minimize obstruction to view.
 - Last day of the season is November 5th, the latest the fence would be removed is November 11th.

- Will evaluate location and have 'look back' in the fall to address pros and cons of the previous location versus new location. This will be done prior to setting up for the spring season. Plan to reconvene at the November meeting.
 - Plan to host a regatta each spring.
- Beantown Race - September 12th
 - Stack Sports running. Capped at 500 entrants. \$100 per entrant. \$6000 donation to park. Allows participants to qualify for 2022 and 2023 marathon
 - Will need volunteers at water stations. 3-4 water stations with 3-4 people per shift (2 shifts).
 - Katie to ask Notre Dame and BC High re: volunteers from track teams.
- Girl Scout Bee Pollination
 - Garden complete
- Thank you gift for park volunteers?
 - Certificate and Bare Cove Park hat.
 - Ray will get certificates for recent volunteers - Eagle Scout Project and Girl Scout Project
 - Hats have previously been made at Goodwin Graphics in Cohasset.
 - Consider future sales at the museum to raise funds for BCP.
 - Scott will price out ordering 50-75 hats
- Have a feature on Bare Cove Park in the Anchor?

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Next Meeting; 09/21/2021 at 7pm at Town Hall. Joint meeting with Historic Commission to discuss the tombs

Lauren Murphy