

Approved: November 29, 2016

**TOWN OF GIBRALTAR
PARKS AND LANDS COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2016 MINUTES
8:00 A.M.**

Call to Order: Brian Hackbarth called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Present: Chairman Hackbarth stated that a quorum of the committee was present. Members present: Laurie Buske, Karl Stubenvoll, Dwayne Daubner. and Bob Spielman

Proper Notice/Adopt Agenda: Hackbarth verified the agenda had been properly noticed.

Motion: (Stubenvoll/Daubner) to adopt the agenda as posted. Carried.

Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings:

Motion: (Stubenvoll/ Buske) to approve the minutes of July 19, 2016 as amended. Carried

Motion: (Buske/Stubenvoll) to approve the minutes of August 16, 2016 as amended. Carried

Public Comment: Angela Sherman made a request to the committee to stop spraying chemicals on the Town lawns. She gave a report on the chemicals currently being sprayed and their effects. She recommended the alternative, compost tea.

Bench Donation Request – Blossomburg Cemetery: The committee would like to schedule a walking tour of the cemetery to evaluate locations for the proposed bench. Our donation policy does not allow names to be routed into the bench.

Bench Donation Request – York Property: The Committee would like to first determine the number of benches needed for the property.

Bike Racks: The committee reviewed a few options presented for the bike racks. Galvanized has been suggested. Would like to determine a uniform size. The Committee will do some research and bring back next month.

Lighthouse Mowers: The mowers on the island will need to be replaced, but could be utilized as backups. It was discussed whether to buy new or send an old one from the Town. Patrick will inventory the existing mowers and make a recommendation.

York Property Update/Discussion: Would like to schedule a walking tour of the property. Since the beach parking lot is also Brown Rd. we are able to clear brush and trees along the ROW. The historic gates will be saved. Working to get permission from the York family to inspect buildings for public restrooms. It was suggested to leave some of the trees for shade and be selective about trimming.

Committee reports

Chair: No report

Gardens: Buske reported the mums are in and bulbs are on their way. Noble Square is now honeysuckle free. 3 trees have been planted and more shrubs and trees are on the way. Spielman thanked Buske for all her hard work.

Invasive Species: No report

Lighthouse: Blahnik and the maintenance staff will be shutting down the lighthouse tomorrow. Had a fall lighthouse walk that was well attended. Spielman requested that more notice be given for next year's Chambers Island trip.

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Next Meeting Date: November 29, 2016 at 8:00 AM.

Adjourn: *Motion: (Stubenvoll, Buske) to adjourn at 9:20 AM. Carried*

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly Murre
Deputy Clerk