

Approved: November 29, 2017

**TOWN OF GIBRALTAR
PARKS AND LANDS COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2017 MINUTES
7:30 A.M.**

The Committee first met at Sunset Park to view a bench and tree location. They also inspected dead and dying trees for removal. Hackbarth left at 8:15 A.M. The committee then proceeded to Blossomberg Cemetery to view potential bench locations and the areas affected by the DNR agreement. They returned to the Town Center to proceed with the regular meeting.

Call to Order: Buske called the meeting to order at 8:56 a.m.

Present: Buske stated that a quorum of the committee was present. Members present: Laurie Buske, Dwayne Daubner, Karl Stubenvoll, and Bonnie Ansley

Absent: Brian Hackbarth

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

Motion: (Daubner, Ansley) to adopt the agenda as posted. Carried.

Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting(s): *Motion: (Daubner, Ansley) to approve the minutes from the August 15, 2017 meeting as written. Carried.*

Motion: (Daubner, Ansley) to approve the minutes from the September 19, 2017 meeting as amended. Carried. Stubenvoll abstained.

Public Comment: None

Removal of Dead Trees at Sunset Beach: Estimates were received from Dave's Tree Service and Townline Timber. They are very different. During the walking tour more trees were noted for removal. Some can be removed by Town staff. It was suggested for Hackbarth to meet with Town Staff. Then move forward with the removal of the trees needing a professional. *Motion: (Stubenvoll, Ansley) to remove the trees as discussed during walking tour, pending chair's budget approval, not to exceed \$5400. Carried.*

Motion: (Ansley, Daubner) to get a recommendation from a tree service company regarding the leaning tree along the Hidden Harbor fence to determine (in writing) if it is a danger or a threat, as the tree was not marked in either company. Carried.

Location of Bench for Sunset Beach: *Motion: (Ansley, Stubenvoll) to locate the bench in the lawn area at the end of the road, next to the existing bench. Carried*

Nusbaum Tree Donation – Location at Sunset Park: Hackbarth took a picture of the location in the Park. *Motion: (Ansley, Daubner) to accept the location of the tree as discussed during the walking tour. Carried.*

Review Agreement Between Town and DNR Regarding Blossomberg Cemetery: The committee will review the agreement for next month.

Schaper Bench Donation: Schaper has amended her request to include Clark Park or the Beach. The committee currently doesn't have a need in Clark Park and would like to wait on the beach plan, as both sections of the beach will be affected. An email has been sent to inquire about the new bench for Sunset Park.

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Committee reports

Chair: None

Gardens: Buske reported that the new locust tree at Clark Park lost a limb which may affect the health of the tree. She added a few perennials at the Old Town Hall. Bulbs are in and mums have been planted.

Invasive Species: Ansley attended the invasive species seminars. Fish Creek is one of the only municipalities without an invasive species ordinance. She is struggling with the list as to whether to adopt such an ordinance. Education is key. A workshop would be beneficial to the community.

Lighthouse: None

Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, November 21, 2017 at 8:00 AM

Adjourn: *Motion: (Stubenvoll, Daubner) to adjourn at 9:24 AM. Carried*

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly Murre
Deputy Clerk