

**TOWN OF GIBRALTAR
PARKS & LANDS COMMITTEE MEETING
4097 MAIN STREET FISH CREEK WI 54212
TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 2011
8:00 A.M.**

Call to Order: Brian Hackbarth called the Parks and Lands Committee meeting to order at 8:08 a.m.

Present were: Brian Hackbarth, Laurie Buske, and Jayson Merkel. Renny Lea was excused absent. Mike Ashley arrived at 8:30 a.m.

Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting: It was moved by Laurie Buske and seconded by Jayson Merkel to approve the minutes of the February 22, 2011 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment: None at this time.

Chair Report: Brian Hackbarth reported the fallen trees at Fish Creek Park and a large piece of concrete were removed. Mike Ashley, Laurie Buske and Brian Hackbarth's terms are up in May of this year. Laurie and Brian are interested in renewing their terms.

Sub-Committee Reports:

Invasive Species: Renny left a written report submitted to the board. This will be discussed at the next Parks and Lands meeting.

Gardens: Laurie reported she ordered plants early for this year to get a good price.

Island Lighthouse Property: The ad for re-roofing the Lighthouse on Chambers Island will be reviewed next month as no interest has been submitted to date. Having the hours of work at the Lighthouse logged will be recommended to the Blahniks to establish parameters for any grants we apply for.

Fish Creek Civic Association Kiosk Landscaping: Laurie Buske and Bob Spielman met with the landscaper to simplify the gardens at the Fish Creek Civic Association Kiosk. Sunnypoint Gardens is the landscaper working on this project. It was moved by Brian Hackbarth and seconded by Jayson Merkel to authorize Laurie Buske to approve the landscape plan. Motion carried unanimously.

Quote for Sailor Sam's Wall Stone Veneer: This will be placed on next month's agenda. Prior to considering a stone veneer we will check with the maintenance department regarding the space needed for the snowblowers.

Curb Cuts: Some curb cuts may be replaced with the Highway Resurfacing is done in 2013. We will review the curb cuts at the next meeting.

Kiosk Walkway in Fish Creek Park: A new flagstone sidewalk was installed to the gazebo in Fish Creek Park. We would like to place a flagstone sidewalk to the kiosk. The maintenance department was not available for the estimates and this will be reviewed next month.

Public Beach Playground Backfill: Laurie suggested placing mulch on the west side of the playground equipment as grass probably won't grow in this area. The maintenance department plans to use top soil up to the top of the border of the playground area. Laurie, Jayson and Mike would like to have no mow grass and have Tim deliver the top soil. A quote will be obtained from Biwer and one other contractor.

2011 Goals: Brian suggested placing "informational plaques" with bar codes included under 2012 as suggested by Barb McKesson. Plantings were added to the repair of Sailor Sam's wall and the walk way to the kiosk in Fish Creek Park. A well at Fish Creek Park was recommended installed on the west side with an extension on the east side if feasible. Signage in Fish Creek Park. Under 2013, add beach sprinkler system along with water. Under 2014, add Noble Square sprinkler system. Under 2015, add re-evaluate of Sunset Beach Park.

Volleyball Court Property: Brian explained that tonight is the airport commission meeting regarding the master plan. Two plans are being presented; any changes will be submitted to the engineer who will submit the final proposed plan to the Gibraltar Town Board. There is a proposed third runway that would be east to west and turn the volleyball court into a possible "crash zone". The Parks and Lands Committee would like to have the designated "rec area" to include approximately 7 acres. Brian has asked the committee members to attend the airport commission meeting tonight if possible.

Adjourn: It was moved by Laurie and seconded by Mike to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sharon Kellner,