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**TOWN OF GIBRALTAR
PARKS AND LANDS COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2013 MINUTES
GIBRALTAR TOWN CENTER
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: Brian Hackbarth, Laurie Buske, Carol Olson, Marne Kaeske and Bob Spielman

Proper Notice/Adopt Agenda: Hackbarth verified the agenda had been properly noticed.
Motion: (Olson/Buske) to adopt the agenda as posted. Carried.

Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings: *Motion: (Olson/Buske) to approve the minutes of September 17, 2013 as amended. Carried*

Committee reports:

Gardens- Buske gave a detailed report of the work that has been done in the gardens this fall: Bulb planting, pruning, mums and fall garden displays

Invasive Species- Chambers Island phragmites request will be on the agenda after the first of the year.

Chair- Landscaping at Sunset Beach is moving forward. The sidewalk is complete. Mason will also be finishing the wall very soon.

Lighthouse- An email was received from Joel Blahnik. They have some concerns regarding the lighthouse and would like to schedule a one-on-one meeting with Hackbarth. The tuckpointing will not happen this year. The funds were repurposed for the chimney repairs at the Noble House. Need to follow-up with Joel or MaryAnn regarding the solar panels and how they were winterized this year. We would like the Blahniks to create a start up and shut down list for the lighthouse.

Public Comment: None

Schedule Park Walk-throughs: Thursday, November 7, 2013 at 9 a.m. at the Gibraltar Town Center for a walking tour of the parks.

Consideration of Creating a Recognition Award: The Town used to have a monthly “good deed doer” award. Monthly awards became problematic. Suggest an annual award or recognition. Mrs. Spielman, Andrea Jauquet, Dave Bultman, Carol Olson have all donated time to the Town. Olson will look into options for a plaque to be hung in the office or Town Center. May want to consider the criteria in determining a recipient.

Approve New Fish Creek Park Map: Kaeske presented the map to the Committee. Hackbarth questioned whether we would want to keep the aerial photo.

The following suggestions were made:

- The snowmobile trail needs to be addressed.

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- The green trail color is difficult to see.
- Remove the section behind the Town Center that is included in the park.
- Add public parking to the Community Center legend and map, designated with a different color.
- Olson suggested adding a grey access trail from the Community Center through the boat trailer lot.
- Remove Town from map title.
- Remove the private roads.
- The access trail should lead to the sidewalk.

Marne will present these changes next month.

Consideration of 2014 Projects: The Committee discussed items of focus for next year. The lighthouse railing , Fish Creek Park kiosk landscaping (Buske volunteered to take the lead), tree planting and planters for the Town Center. Will create a list during the walking tour of all the parks.

Adjourn: *Motion: (Spielman/Buske) to adjourn at 9:07 a.m. Carried.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly Murre
Deputy Clerk