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**TOWN OF GIBRALTAR
PARKS AND LANDS COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2014 MINUTES
GIBRALTAR TOWN CENTER
8:00 A.M.**

Call to Order: Brian Hackbarth called the meeting to order at 8:12 a.m.

Present: Chairman Hackbarth stated that a quorum of the committee was present. Members present: Brian Hackbarth, Laurie Buske, Marne Kaeske, Carol Olson and Bob Spielman.

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

Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings: *Motion: (Spielman/Kaeske) to approve the minutes of December 16, 2013 as written. Carried.*

Committee reports:

Gardens- Buske put together an estimate for 2014. She anticipates an increase in the cost of marigolds. She would like to add some daffodils to areas where tulip bulbs were planted last year. Items include: birch tree treatments, replacement plants, new planters and shrubs. Total: \$5790 high estimate.

Invasive Species- Kari Hagenow, the DCIST Coordinator will be attending next month to give a presentation.

Lighthouse- It was announced that the Retreat House will be closed next season. The Blahnik's often received transportation from them and will be an issue going forward. Spielman reported on the status of the lighthouse railing. Joel stated a concern about the future dynamics of the lighthouse, considering the majority of the visitors came from the Retreat House.

Chair: Fish Creek Park trail maps were received and will be installed this Spring.

Public Comment: Dave Bultman asked if consideration has been given about removing the old white sign next to the DCCB kiosk. They are close together and the park sign gets lost. He suggested, moving it to the open end to the west. The widow maker above the road way at the windmill property needs to be removed. Dave will contact Jim Peterson regarding painting of the Windmill.

Parks and Lands Maintenance Priority List: The Committee prioritized their requests of the maintenance staff for work to be done around Town.

1. Remove dead tree at the Windmill Property
2. Repair fire # sign at Fish Creek Park
3. Remove dead limbs from cedars at Noble Square
4. Limb crab apple at Town Hall
5. Prune cedars at Sunset
6. Move Burning Bush at Stop Sign
7. Repair steps at Sunset Park
8. Re- Chip trail, bury utility pipe at Sunset Park

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9. Straighten signs at Clark Park and Fish Creek Park
10. Remove Scotch Pines from Fish Creek Park

Consider Removing dead and dying tree at the Town Hall: This tree is on the property line at the Town Hall. Need to determine whether we can have it removed. It is a scrappy tree that has been trimmed too much for utilities.

Motion: (Kaeske/Spielman) to remove the tree at the Town Hall; as long as, it is on Town Property. Carried. Buske suggested taking a picture of the tree prior to having it removed.

Sunset Beach Park Bench: Hackbarth proposed purchasing a bench, to be placed on the newly landscaped area of Sunset Park. Next month, he will bring estimates for a new cedar bench and concrete slab.

Trash Receptacle: Outside the Town Hall bathrooms was discussed, as a location for a new double trash/recycling container. Kelly will get price estimates for a double trash receptacle with lids.

Review Chambers Island Lighthouse trip and photos: The Committee reviewed photos from last spring's Chambers Island trip of the lighthouse.

Adjourn: *Motion: (Buske/Olson) to adjourn at 9:32. Carried*

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly Murre
Deputy Clerk