

Approved: March 10, 2021

**TOWN OF GIBRALTAR
PARKS AND LANDS COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2021
MINUTES**

Call to Order: Hackbarth called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

Members Present: Hackbarth stated that a quorum of the committee was present. Members present: John Lancaster, Laurie Buske, Jayson Merkel and Andrea Kinsey-Jauquet via Zoom Conference due to COVID-19.

Absent: None

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

Motion: (Jauquet, Lancaster) to adopt the agenda as posted. Carried.

Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting(s): *Motion: (Merkel, Buske) to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2021 meetings as amended. Carried.*

Public Comment: Merkel asked Karly (FCCA) about the County's handicap accessibility at the beach. Jauquet inquired about the meeting schedule. Buske reported the gazebo parts will be arriving and stored awaiting the concrete slab.

Reports:

Chair: Hackbarth reported that Townline Timber cannot access Fish Creek Park from the back. Would like them to keep to the path as much as possible.

Gardens: No report

Lighthouse: No report

Invasive Species: Lancaster spoke with Linda Merline. She did a walk through with Kari Hagenow in 2018. She took pictures and Bonnie Ansley took notes. Samantha Kooyen is the new contact at Door County Soil and Water. Other Towns have noxious weed ordinances that require private landowners to remove invasives from their properties. He will contact Samantha for suggestions on how to move forward.

Buske stated creating the awareness has been very beneficial.

Sign Repair/Painting Considerations: Buske did an inventory of the signs. The Waterview/Ula Street sign is in the worst condition. Kelly will contact FastSigns to proceed with the order.

2021 Projects and Goals: Next month will have 2021 budget to review for potential projects.

Bench/ Tree Donation Request: Friends of Cathy Johnson have made a donation for a bench and a tree. They have also requested a plaque in her memory. Per our donation policy, we no longer put memorials on the benches but can have a leaf engraved for the Giving Tree. Merline suggested additional giving trees around town in some of the parks where they could be more visible.

Motion: (Jauquet, Lancaster) to accept the donation request without the memorial on the bench according to our policy. Carried.

Will show Bill the options for locations and types of trees to let him decide.

Benches/Picnic Tables: The beach will need some benches and tables. One more could be added to Noble Square and Fish Creek Park. The bracing of picnic tables needs to be looked into, some are starting to bow in the middle.

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Would like to come up with a plan to prioritize this year. Benches at the beach should be the first priority.

The community center is also in need of additional benches.

Not in favor of benches along the sidewalk.

Will also need to put down the concrete slabs.

Brian will discuss beach plans for benches with Steve.

Tree Planting: Buske provided her recommendations for trees at the Community Center, Clark Park and Noble Square. \$500 is what was budgeted for tree planting. Kelly will check the donation fund. Total for all trees is \$2670.

Community Building – Red Musclewood and Japanese Lilac

Clark Park – Kentucky Coffee Tree

Noble Square – Purple Robe Locust

2021 Lawn Care Maintenance: Buske presented a plan based on the TruGreen estimate with aeration and an additional treatment in late fall. Total cost is \$3079. Will review next month.

Staining of the Gazebo Roof and Kiosk: Will obtain a quote from Gary Witalison and find out from Bob to see who the Spielman's have hired in the past.

Set Next Meeting Date: 2nd Wednesday of the Month at 4 PM.

Adjourn: *Motion: (Buske, Jauquet) to adjourn at 5:43 P.M. Carried*

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly Murre
Deputy Clerk