

## MINUTES

### STOCKBRIDGE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Stockbridge Parks and Recreation Commission was held on May 18, 2020 at 5:00 PM using the Zoom meeting link below. Present were Steve Knopf, Nicole Fairaux, Nick Fredsall, Hugh Page, Marie Raferty, and Roxanne McCaffrey.

Link to Zoom Meeting Recording:

<https://trms.ctsbvtv.org/CablecastPublicSite/show/20488?channel=3>

1. **Beach Parking Lot** – We had a site survey completed that allowed Walter Cudnohufsky and Associates to complete their design for the new parking lot. We reviewed the design and agreed to proceed to the planning and permitting phase.
2. **Parks and Playgrounds.** All parks and ball courts remain closed to the public. While the parks have been closed, we arranged to have the old swing sets removed and new ones installed at the Park Street and Interlaken parks. The Commission agreed to defer the hiring of a contractor to mow the Park Street field. The Highway Department will perform weekly mowing until we can reassess after the 2021 budgets are finalized. We are seeking volunteers to build a new sandbox on Park Street since the old one was removed due to being broken. Nicole requested a future meeting with the Select Board to discuss the feasibility of creating new parking areas and fencing for Park Street.
3. **Boat Launch.** The Park Street canoe launch is still at Dock Doctors. The repair work is completed. Both railings needed to be rebuilt. We will contact a towing company to bring it back to Stockbridge and Webster Design to install it in the next couple weeks.
4. **Benches, Chairs, Tables and Grills.** 5 out of the 8 new benches need to be installed. 3 benches at Park Street will be replaced. The others will go to either Pine Street Courts or Interlaken. 2 new benches are at the beach already. Grills will be held until the parks and reopen. We plan to purchase new picnic tables and Adirondack chairs after the parks fully reopen, which has been budgeted under the Special Article for 2020. These will be purchased from Agway for \$280 per table and \$180 per chair. Nicole and Hugh will coordinate the installation when ready.
5. **Town Beach.** The town beach remains closed to the public. We are reviewing the state COVID-19 guidelines for reopening and are in the process of vetting lifeguards to hire when the reopening plans are finalized. Tri-Town BOH will begin water sampling the week of 5/24.
6. **Kayaks.** We have deferred assigning kayak rack spaces at the beach until the reopening plans are finalized and will do so at no fee at the appropriate reopening phase due to the uncertainty of the impact of the coronavirus.
7. **Committees.** We continue our active participation on the Laurel Hill Association, Stockbridge Bowl Association and Community Preservation Committee.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Steven Knopf