

**Holliston Parks Commission
Thursday, December 19, 2019
7:00 PM @ 1750 Washington Street**

Meeting called to order at 7:02 PM by Shaw Lively

Attendees: Shaw Lively, James Keast, Paul Healy, Mark Frank, Lisa DiLuzio, Bob Nemet

Agenda

- Field projects
- Parks Master Plan priorities
- Public Relations
- Signage
- Summer Positions: rethink
- Snack Shack

Field Projects

Mark Frank confirmed that the contracts have been signed to begin the renovations at the baseball fields. We have an expected completion date of April 18. The grooming machine by Smithco will be demonstrated in March and the Toro machine demo has been completed. Shaw Lively recommended promoting the work scheduled on the fields and it was decided to wait until the work was started so that we could include photos in the communications. Mark Frank will contact the Holliston Reporter.

Summer Positions/Snack Shack

Because of the decrease in park usage on the weekends, Mark Frank recommended that we combine some of the positions (snack shack/gate attendant). We could think about a "Park Ranger" position in the future if we begin to experience an uptick in attendance. Natick and Wellesley both employ Park Rangers. The group discussed ways to bring families into the park on weekends. Lisa DiLuzio suggested reducing the price of the season pass for communities that border Holliston. The board voted unanimously to institute a small increase (approx. 20%) over resident beach rates. The current rate is double the resident rate (\$45/\$90)

Parks Master Plan

Shaw Lively would like to get Inge Daniels involved in the site design for Stoddard Park.

Once Around

Shaw Lively asked Paul Saulnier and Eric Dickinson of CIVILized Solutions to work on a design for a vegetative swale at Stoddard Park. The Conversation Commissions indicated that we would not need a sand permit for the beach if we install the swale. Shaw is looking for Con-com approval in mid-January.

James Keast notified the group that he has applied for the facilities manager position. He indicated that if he were to obtain this position he would have to leave the Park Commission.

Meeting Minutes

The board reviewed the meeting minutes from November 19, 2019. James Keast made a motion to accept the minutes as drafted. Paul Healy seconded; all in favor

The board reviewed the meeting minutes from November 25, 2019 (meeting to decide on field bids). James Keast made a motion to accept the minutes as drafted. Paul Healy seconded; all in favor

Paul Healy called meeting adjourned at 8:24 pm; James Keast seconded; all in favor