



Rockport Parks and Beautification Committee

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Minutes May 21, 2024 Rockport Public Library - 3:00 PM

Members Present	Paula Coyne (co-chair), Lee Goss, Bill Frolich and Marilyn McWilliams	
Members Absent	Doug Cole (co-chair), Sally Cook, Ali Angell, Eric Winters	
Liaisons Present	Denise Kennedy Munger (Select Board) and Mike Young (DPW)	
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Agenda topic	Discussion	Action
1. Minutes	Lee moved that the Minutes of the 4/16/24 meeting be approved. Bill seconded.	<u>Need to be approved next meeting,</u> as did not have a quorum.

<p>2. DPW</p>	<p>Mike reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Budget has been spent and maybe expenses were exceeded; b) Top layer of rocks around Andre will soon be placed; c) Harbor wash out work to continue; d) Kayak storage area clean-up to be done. We may be able to eliminate 1-3 racks once we know how many kayak spots are rented; e) Stage repair at Mary Lea is done, but it needs staining or painting <p>Paula thanked the DPW workers for Glen Cove, Harbor Park, Walker Park and Mary Lea Park work. Very commendable!</p>	
<p>3. Parks Review</p>	<p>Glen Cove: Mike says that Jon Duke would like Parks' to plant around the sign/picnic bench. Paula expressed appreciation that the grills were removed from this park.</p> <p>Memorial Park: We discussed the failing rhodies. Bill suggested we plant cork bush(es) in that area as their leaves are a pretty red in the fall. Marilyn mentioned the possibility of testing the soil to see if any mitigation is needed prior to planting new rhodies.</p>	
<p>4. Old Business</p>	<p>Calendar Work Party dates: we settled on Sunday, 6/16, at 10:30 at the Lime Kilns, and also Sunday, 7/14, at 10:30 at a place TBD. There might be a Sunday, 8/25 work party, yet TBD.</p> <p>Kayak Policy Renewal Update: still with Select Board. Spots open to general public now, with preference for Rockport residents.</p> <p>Commercial Use Policy: with Select Board We recommend that Abbie work with the users for the grandfathered classes, groups, and that we step out of any further roles re: renting pricing.</p> <p>Donut Festival: we decided not to be involved this year.</p> <p>Village Clean Up: Most areas are complete. Paula to continue to keep track.</p>	<p>All members: if available please arrive at the lime kilns at Harbor Park at 10:30, Sunday, 6/16.</p> <p>Village clean up participants: complete soon, if not already done.</p>

<p>5. New Business</p>	<p>Paula reminded us that this is the time for this annual SWOT task. We should form teams with each team splitting up all the parks. Be on the lookout for an email regarding this from Paula.</p>	<p><u>Paula:</u> to send out an email to the entire committee regarding the SWOT form and the teams, deadline, etc.</p>
	<p>Adjourned at 4:00. <u>Next events:</u> <u>Workday:</u> Sun., 6/16, 10:30 AM, Lime kilns <u>Workday:</u> Sun., 7/14, 10:30 AM, place TBD. <u>Next meeting:</u> Tuesday, June 18, at 3:00 PM at the Town Library. Respectfully submitted: <i>Marilyn McWilliams</i>, secretary</p>	