



Rockport Parks and Beautification

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September 9, 2020 - 5:00 P.M.

In attendance: Haunani Wallace, Sally Cook, Janice Baldwin, Denise Munger, Anna Remsen, Mark Kelley, and Sandy Hurlbut.
And attending by conference call: Susan Kauck, Eric Winters, and Bill Frohlich.

MINUTES:

Approval of Minutes:

Haunani made a motion to approve the minutes of August 12 meeting, Jan Baldwin seconded. Unanimously approved.

Update on Library Landscaping:

Denise reported that the ground prep for the landscaping at the Library would likely be completed by the end of October. Rhino has been contracted by Phi to do the ground prep that was originally in Phi's contract. CMP will be in next week and the sidewalks and road are ahead of schedule. They will do the loam and see for grass. The beds will be ready with compost. Memorial Park may be ready in early October. We need to get PW to plant the purchased trees (Plants Unlimited) The shrubs and small plants on the Young side the Library must be done before the grass. In addition big rocks need to be moved away for trees. Mark Kelley will communicate with Mike from Rhino and followup with Bill Post re: Keith Smith additional work and payment. Denise will find out from Charlie when they will be doing Memorial Park. Anna can setup hoses and a timer for watering.

Clean Up Rockport

Maggie Timmerman said that because of Covid, volunteers can do clean up any time that it's convenient for them from late September to early October. She is asking for the committee to be responsible for the village, Grove St., and Union St., and she stated that the town parks are not included in the clean-up list this year. Supplies will be dropped off at Haunani's house wherever we designate – volunteers can pick up supplies from there, and Maggie with pick up the filled bags possibly with the assistance of Public Works.

Mark brought up the issue of large items beyond discarded along the roadsides. It was decided that Maggie would request to be on the agenda to make a presentation to the Select Board about the town being responsible for picking up these items, and possibly establishing a small budget for this task. We also discussed the possibility of a "free" dump day.

Legacy Bench

Sally reported that she and Bill Frolich had decided that now, with the Covid situation, is not a good time to solicit funds, so they plan to wait until Spring to begin. The committee agreed that it might be good to include a map of bench locations in Memorial Park in the "Rockport Resource" and the town newsletter, as a way to create interest. The goal is to sell at least one bench by the end of June 2021.

Task List

Eric Winters reported that he has added programming on the automated list so that every time the task list is updated, it automatically sends an email to all contacts, as well as Public Works, notifying them of the update.

Fall Schedule For Tasks To Be Completed

Denise discussed the issues with the triangle at the intersection of Pascal Avenue and Rt. 1 – dangerous, poor soil, watering, etc. The committee suggested that quality soil be added and low maintenance perennials be planted. Anna said she may be able to provide the requested plants and Haunani will follow up with Mike Young about this so that planting can be done as soon as possible.

The committee agreed that the dead plants at Rt. 1 and Rt. 90 (across from 47 West) should be removed and new plantings be added. Anna volunteered to survey the area and make a recommendation.

Next Meeting

The next scheduled meeting will be Wed., October 14, 2020 at 5:00pm in the Richardson room in the Town Office.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Hurlbut