



CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

JONATHAN F. MITCHELL, MAYOR



BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

Fort Taber Community Center

1000 South Rodney French Blvd

New Bedford, MA 02744

May 16, 2018
6:00 P.M.

Minutes

CALL TO ORDER 6:05 pm

ROLL CALL

PRESENT Peter Boswell, Diane Berube, Paula Robinson Deare, Elaine Safioleas

ALSO PRESENT

Mary Rapoza, Director Parks, Rec., and Beaches; City Councilor Naomi Carney, Bernadette Barreira, Accounting Clerk

ACCEPT PAST MINUTES

ELAINE SAFIOLEAS MOTIONED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES FROM THE APRIL BOARD MEETING. 2ND BY DIANE BERUBE AND ACCEPTED BY ALL.

NEW BUSINESS - APPEARANCES/ACTIONS

1. Elaine Safioleas motioned to take #14 out of order. 2nd by Diane Berube and approved by all.
Safe Routes to School program associated with Charles S. Ashley & Abraham Lincoln Elementary Schools to present plans for program along Ashley Boulevard.
Invitee: Elizabeth Pio

This program will improve the route children walk to get to these school. Construction will begin once school is out for the summer. Elaine Safioleas motioned the following: Permission is hereby given to the above municipality and the Massachusetts Dept. of Transportation Highway Division or its duly authorized agents to enter upon the property in connection with the reconstruction of a road way on the above named project. Plans for this project are located in the Municipal office. A Row Plan Showing the impacts to my property are shown on the back page of this two side document. The purpose of this Right of Entry is to allow for changes and to carry out the work on my property as out lined below. 2nd by Paula Robinson Deare and approved by all.

2. Whaling City Golf Course Green Fee waiver award was given to New Bedford High Gridiron Club. Diane Berube motioned to approve Green Fee Waiver. 2nd by Elaine Safioleas and approved by all.

3. Greek Veterans Memorial at Clasky Common Park

Invitee: Dennis Maniatis not present but Councilor Naomi Carney did come to speak on their behalf

Chairman Boswell received correspondence from the Solicitor's Office about not using religious symbols on the monument. The Committee is willing to change the design to remove the cross. 2 flags post for one Greek and one American flag along with a 9ft memorial. Committee will come back with new drawing once they are complete. Paula Robinson Deare motioned to save space for the memorial pending approval of design alterations and size. 2nd by Diane Berube and approved by all.

4. N.B. Farmers Markets Custom House Square, Clasky Common, & Brooklawn Park from June to October

Invitee: Dawn DiMarco & Stephanie Perks

Diane Berube motioned to table to later. 2nd by Paula Robinson Deare approved by all

5. Movie Night @ Custom House Square on 8/24/18

Invitee: Kerrie Burrel not present but Mary Rapoza spoke on their behalf

In its 3rd year and is free and open to the public. Food truck, family oriented, tourism manages. Trash and recycling plan in place. Elaine Safioleas motioned to approve the event. 2nd by Paula Robinson Deare and approved by all.

6. D'Arrigo Wedding @ Fort Taber behind the fort on 9/15/18

Invitee: Jeffery D'Arrigo not present

Elaine Safioleas motioned to table to the next meeting. 2nd by Diane Berube and approved by all.

7. Shakespeare on Buttonwood Macbeth was in front of board in April but is now requesting a change in dates to August 18 & 19.

Invitee: Korey Pimental

Tech week will Aug 13-17. Shows will be Aug 18 & 19. Still needs to provide insurance paperwork. Diane Berube motioned to approve new dates. 2nd by Paula Robinson Deare and approved by all.

8. Fort Taber 5K @ Fort Taber 8/25/18

Invitee: Geoffrey Smith

3rd year for this event. Fee is \$25 to \$30 for registration. Want to rent lot and Fort Taber Community Center. Will provide shirts, water, and cookies to participate. Paula Robinson Deare motioned to reduce rate to non profit rate of \$90 making a \$360 and the South lot at \$110 for a total of \$470. 2nd by Diane Berube all approved.

9. New Bedford Firefighter Sunday @ Buttonwood Park (Lawler Library at monument) 6/10/18

Invitee: Karl Farnworth not present but Jeff Camara came on their behalf

This event has been happening since 1962. Organizer was instructed to contact library to make arrangements to be open. Elaine Safioleas motioned to approve. 2nd by Diane Berube and all approved.

10. Walk for Marie @ Buttonwood Park on 9/15/18

Invitee: Mckenzie Metivier

Walk in memory of her grandmother. Serving water and juices. Will be recycling. No cars are to be parked on the lawn. Resident rate for this event would be \$350 then apply 80% discount to bring it to \$70.

Elaine Safioleas motioned to wave all fees. 2nd by Diane Berube and all approved

11. NB Housing & NB Public Library "Celebrating Families Day" @ Fort Tabor 8/10/18

Invitee: Esperanza Alejandro- Berube not present

Elaine Safioleas motioned to table the event to next month's meeting. 2nd by Paula Robinson Deare and approved by all.

12. Whaling City Admirals Semi Pro Football team do discuss a fundraising event to be held @ Lot 13

Invitee: Peter Kane

Wants to do a fundraiser to convert Ben Rose Field to a football field. Figures \$2,700. - \$4,000 to do landscaping. Sponsorship from US Army and Twin Rivers for the team. Bernadette will invite to July /August meeting.

13. Groundwork Southcoast to discuss rehab of community gardens @ Riverside Park

Invitee: Maura Ramsey & Irlanda Antunes

Want to adopt the back corner of Riverside Park on Coffin Ave. with 256 garden beds, repair existing beds to grow veggies and flowers. Hoping to grow 300 lbs of food. Green team plans to have 10 or more members to maintain gardens over the summer. Looking to engage the community. Looking for approval for 6 foot fence around garden funding would be from the city. Diane Berube motioned to approve phase 1 of #1-7 of the Groundwork's proposal. 2nd by Elaine Safioleas and approved by all.

Elaine Safioleas motioned to receive and place on file map and proposal from Groundwork. 2nd by Paula Robinson Deare and approved by all

14. Sue Carlson will be giving an update on the Whaling City Golf course, answer any questions , and discuss banner, scorecards, and use of function room.

Liquor License has come in. Pro Shop is all set up. DPH wants kitchen brought up to code. DPI has been on site and is trying to come up with a plan. Ceilings, Walls, Floors, Storage all have to be smooth washable surfaces. Need hand wash sink in kitchen & bar. Mop sink needs to be in kitchen currently in men's room. Some kitchen equipment needs to be replaced. New dishwasher, ice machine are needed. Membership is doing well. Members are happy with new ball washers, pins, cups, and flags.

Asking for permission to hang Banners and signs.

Diane Berube motioned to allow Whaling City Golf Course to place banners at corners and signs in parks 2nd by Elaine Safioleas and approved by all.

Paula Robinson Deare motioned to allow advertisement on score cards. 2nd by Elaine Safioleas and approved by all.

Diane Berube motioned to allow small functions at the golf course. 2nd by Paula Robinson Deare and approved by all.

Diane Berube motioned that capacity shall be according to occupancy permit. 2nd by Paula Robinson Deare and approved by all.

15. N.B. Farmers Markets Custom House Square, Clasky Common, & Brooklawn Park from June to October

Invitee: Dawn DiMarco & Stephanie Perks

Diane Berube motioned to accept all three sites. 2nd by Paula Robinson Deare and approved by all.

Diane Berube motioned to approve farm stand signs. 2nd by Paula Robinson Deare and approved by all.

Mobile Farm Stand:

1. South End of Brock Ave/ Warren Street
2. Pacheco School
3. Buttonwood
4. North end near Campbell

Paula Robinson Deare motioned to approve mobile farm stands. 2nd by Elaine Safioleas and approved by all.

Elaine Safioleas motioned to approve the Infrastructure Policy and Procedures for Parks, Recreation, and Beaches. 2nd by Paula Robinson Deare and approved by all.

OLD BUSINESS

CORRESPONDENCE

REPORT DIRECTOR OF PARKS RECREATION & BEACHES

OTHER

NEXT MEETING June 27, 2018 @ 6pm Fort Taber Community Center

MOTION TO ADJOURN Elaine Safioleas motioned at 7:42 pm to adjourn the meeting and 2nd by Diane Berube approved by all.

A true record attests

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bernadette Barreira", written over a horizontal line.

Respectfully submitted,

Bernadette Barreira