

## Bare Cove Park Committee Minutes

Tuesday, August 15, 2023

In attendance: Claudia Eaton, Lauren Murphy, Michael Cioffi, Ted Matthews, Ray O'Neill

Absent: Katie Puzo,

Guests: Anne Gaughen, Ed Follen

Meeting called to order at: 7:01pm

- Hingham Working dog event
  - Anne Gaughen
  - Hingham Working Dog Foundation is a new non-profit in its first year of operation.
    - Modeled after Cohasset Working Dog Foundation.
    - Therapy, comfort, service dogs (canine ambassadors).
  - Primary goal - education for the community. Provide resources and materials. Focus on bringing working dogs to the Hingham community (potentially communities beyond Hingham) and demonstrate how working dogs help the community.
  - Main fundraising goals - care for Opry (Officer Ford is handler) - making sure her needs are covered: food, canine vehicle, vet, training, etc.
  - Fundraiser at BCP - community event as well. Get people involved, increase recognition, family friendly event.
    - Charity dog walk. Community partners to participate. Trainers demonstrate tricks with dogs.
    - Walk the loop in BCP. Have a small celebratory area by the triangle garden. Prizes (ex best dressed dog). On-leash event.
    - Mid-late fall. Insurance outstanding, need to obtain one day policy.
- Park Benches
  - Marco Boer Chair of Harbor Development Committee. Wanted to borrow a bench for event on Sep 9th because one ordered won't arrive in time.
    - Benches in woods by Carlson Field. Town over ordered several years ago?
    - Rec reach out to Selectboard or DPW as benches not in our jurisdiction.
  - According to selectboard - BCPC jurisdiction is within the park.
- Treasurer's Report - Approved

- Salary, porta potty, fuel, alarm.
- Park expenses same as last year. No real bump up or down in budget.
- \$1000 check - from filming. Friend's account.
- Review and Accept July Meeting Minutes - Tabled
- Ranger's Report - Approved
  - Tractor invoice. Weed whacker.
  - Mowing. Trimming branches around roads/fields. Dog bags. Keeping roads/trails clear of fallen trees.
    - New trimmer following last meeting, working well. Mower faster and better job.
  - Museum open July 23rd - 30 people. Last Sunday 40 people visited.
  - Plymouth County Mosquito Control called Aug 10 - showed him what needs to be done when they spray. Sprayed on the 12th.
  - Kept in touch with Selectboard - cleanup of homeless area on the 17th.
  - 5 empty propane bottles by entrance near Ninety Nine.
  - Hingham Rec - kids in park riding bikes. Have opened the museum for them a few times.
- Further discussion on projects for the park and 2023 goals
- Items not anticipated on the Agenda
  - Talent Bank - none for Bare Cove Park Committee
  - Sep 10th - Beantown Race
  - Almshouse Death Certificates were delivered to Claudia from Town Clerk. Are now at the library, available for public use.
  - Party in the Park
    - Sentiment - cannot arrange party in time for next month.
    - Postpone party in the park until June - Approved.
  - Notre Dame - dates they will be using the park. Sep 20, Oct 4, Oct 25
- Citizen's input

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Next Meeting: 9/19/23 at 7pm via zoom

Lauren Murphy