

July 26, 2021

Members present: Amy Billings, Richard Combra Jr and Antone Lima.

New Business

Sunset Lake Park bush

Commissioners had viewed the bush at the telephone pole at the top of Sunset Lake Hill and agreed that it can be removed by the Highway Department.

Special event permit applications

- Catching Royal Vibes Beach Day; Town Beach – Monday, August 16, 2021

Applicant Karin Wall said that she wasn't aware that a police detail was needed with their size group of 80-100 people.

Commissioner Amy Billings explained that the Parks Commission requires it in August for safety with drop-off and pick-up plus people crossing the road.

Applicant was informed that there would be a fee for the police detail and had been advised in March that there would be a site visit two weeks prior to the event.

Karin said that she sent application to Sergeant Marchand but he did not return the third page.

Applicant will return on August 9th.

- Urban Farming Beach BBQ; Waban/Alley Park – Saturday, August 14, 2021

Sean Porter advised the Commissioners that he will be meeting with OBPD regarding the detail when he gets to the island in early August.

Commissioner Combra joined Zoom meeting at 4:10 PM.

Amy asked if he got food permit from the Board of Health Agent. Sean did not realize that he needed it.

Office Administrator Nicole Morey advised Commissioners and Sean that BoH agent Meegan Lancaster had sent her an email that morning asking about Mr Porter's event and if was still happening. She also advised Sean that he had sent Meegan an email back in May asking about getting the food permit.

Amy advised him that preliminary approval is not full approval and he should return to the next Parks Commission meeting on August 9th.

- Cannes Can: Diversity Collective; Waban/Alley Park – August 10-12, 2021

Laura Mignott advised that they have all the permits; sound permit, alcohol permit and tent permit plus a police detail. She confirmed that the stage and people speaking will be facing the ocean.

Motion: To approve the Cannes Can: Diversity Collective at Inkwell for August 10-12, 2021 in Waban/alley Park. By; Commissioner Lima, Second: Commissioner Combra. Motion passed 3-0.

Laura said that they will not have rain dates for the event but they will be setting up on August 9th and taking down on August 13th. The port-a-pottys will be on each side of the stage.

Nicole said that she had not received any payment and once she receives it, she will let them know if they owe any additional money.

Comments/Updates

Maura McGroarty thought that Tony Lima's summary of the CPA Sunset Lake project was a good report.

Amy asked Richie about getting work done on the OP Bandstand. He is still waiting to hear back from contractors to do work in September. Both Richie and Nicole contacted Powers Electric regarding issues in OP but neither had heard back from them yet.

Amy advised that Crossland Landscape has time to finish the irrigation in Niantic Park for the sum of \$4,000.00. She added that the Water District does not seem to have an issue with it. Commissioners agreed to move forward with more irrigation as there is money in the Revolving Fund.

Commissioners discussed adding "parks" to the OBPD parking ticket and increasing the fee from \$25 to \$100; all were in agreement.

Amy would like to modify the Special Event Permit application and the Commissioners tell applicants what they can do rather than the applicants saying what they want to do. Other Towns list what parks and dates are available so they could limit the number of events in certain spaces.

Meeting adjourned.