

**Harvard Parks and Rec
Meeting Agenda – 5/7/2012
Hapgood Library
7:30 pm**

Approve minutes from last meeting

-Minutes from previous meeting not yet typed up. Will be looked at to be approved next meeting.

Boat storage lottery

- 140 canoe entries after removing 9 duplicates. We have approx. 90 spots and last year we gave out 110. Mark used the random number generator and performed the lottery. Island residents will be awarded a spot. Two kayaks can fit in one rack spot or 1 canoe and 1 kayak.
- 16 cove moorings available. 14 cove moorings entries after removing 1 duplicate.
- 16 outer moorings available. 30 entries after removing 3 duplicates.

Financial Report & mail

-Nothing new

New Committee Members & Positions

-New position appointments:

-Chair: John Lee

-Vice-Chair: OPEN

-Secretary: Anne McWaters

-Treasurer: Eric Dyer

-Mark Mandozzi will continue with the boat lottery and see it through. He also volunteered to stay on as webmaster.

Follow up on design of boat ramp and parking area

-Rick Dickson (guest) – owner of Sheep Island

-Need to make sure beach staff knows the island owners and knows what their sticker looks like

- Bill suggested a couple of “drop-and-go” spaces closer to the water for kayak drop off

-Currently 39 spots in the upper lot and 14 or 15 down by the beach – lack of parking has not been addressed – we need to look at eventually possibly cutting into the hill on Pond Rd to create more spaces

-Need to do traffic counts on weekdays and weekends this summer

-We need to address the needs for boats for island residents

-Motion to approve current plan with amendments moved. Motion approved.

Programs update

Discuss status of plans for finding new tennis director

-Lexi Daniels said she could take the position if no one else volunteered.

Discuss status of new waterfront director

- \$18 per hour – Matt willing to accept. Motion to hire Matt moved. Motion approved. Mark will find offer letter on file and send to BJ.
- Ryan set to start as Interim Director to start in May 19 to get the equipment ready
- Matt will start Memorial Day weekend
- BJ has ordered all the equipment

Field/Facility update

- Wood chips to be delivered tomorrow.

Commons update

Pond update

Planning

Website

Next meeting / Meeting Schedule

- May 21

Other:

Waterski Club

- Wanted to know status update from John Lee about what Town Hall thinks. He wasn't able to get any feedback and find out if we can re-write the pond rules. Need to check with Town Council on who re-write the rules.
- He will talk with Tim Bragan this week and we will post a notice about an open discussion for the next meeting on May 21. We need to talk with Bob O'Shea before the next meeting and invite him as well.

BHRA

- Brought roster for the Spring. There was a big interest in Learn to Row program this year. The totals for the whole team are 66 Bromfield students and 28 from Acton-Boxborough. They were a little late to get on the water due to the low level. Roster approved by Parks and Rec.
- Summer learn to row program for youths (capacity 8) was open to Harvard residents from beginning of April – May 1. First session is filled (1 Harvard resident, 7 others).
- Parks and Rec asked what came of the idea of BHRA buying a covered bulletin board (similar to the one at the track) for the side of the beach house. BHRA is still willing to pursue it and buy one to set up.
- BJ brought up the idea of clearing the beach house in the fall and winter and moving our boats to DPW to leave the beach house clear. BHRA could then set up ergs in the open area. BHRA offered to move P&R boats and equipment.
- The Friday night before BHRA's last race (June or May 25th) there will be a bonfire on the beach.

Misc:

-Mark has parking stickers.

-BHRA can clean up the beach. There is a lot of debris that needs to be picked up. The company that did the dredging is suing the Town for \$90,000 for overruns.