

Members Present: Leighton Price, Christine Pratt, Bill Hallisey, Charlie Bletzer & Alan Zanotti.
Mr. Hallisey arrived at 5:21 pm.

5:00 p.m. Call to Order & Public Comment –

No public comment

5:02 p.m. Use of Spaces for Special Events

1. The 4th of July Parade Committee requests an exemption on paid parking for the entire day.

Ms. Pratt motions to support the request made by the 4th of July committee and Mr. Bletzer seconds

Passed 5-1-0

2. The Board discusses how to handle recent requests for overnight parking in the Downtown and Waterfront areas. The subject of directing people to use exit 5's overnight lot and possibly using the Russell Street lot, Steven's Field and Nelson Park as additional designated overnight parking areas comes up. Mr. Ruggerio is asked to research the best way to coordinate potential overnight areas with current parking regulations. His research should include input from Captain Botieri and the Harbor Master so the Board can draft a correct, permanent policy that accommodates these types of requests.

5:23 p.m. Park Plymouth Operations –

Mr. Ruggerio reports the amount of tickets being issued has drastically decreased in the areas where parking spaces were refreshed, but Memorial Hall lot is still a problem. Adding two more 15 minute spots at the Visitor's Center would also help reduce the amount of tickets given in that area. He also suggests refreshing all of the lots and agrees to contact Guide Lines to get a cost for this.

Ms. Pratt motions to contract with Guide Lines to complete stenciling of all Pay and Display lots; cost not to exceed \$2500.00 and Mr. Bletzer seconds.

Passed | 6-0-0

Ms. Hatcher motions to increase the amount of 15 minute spots at the Visitor's Center to 5 spaces total and Ms. Pratt seconds.

Passed | 6-0-0

2000 registrations have been sent to the RMV since the amnesty program. Mr. Ruggerio is scheduled to attend a class at the RMV to learn their submission system.

Implementation of the new rate schedule for citations began last Saturday. Clancy changed the hand held print out machines to reflect the new rate structure. Instructions were also prepared for the manual tickets.

New plastic covers that outline clear directions will be placed on the Pay and Display machines.

Park Plymouth needs more maps, but they must be modified first to reflect new meters installed on North Street and other design changes happening in Town. Mr. Price will speak with Mr. Sylvia about any changing landscape so the map can reflect correct information.

Mr. Bletzer reports his observations of last weekend's Factory Five Racing event at the Waterfront and states the event was not as successful as organizers had hoped. It appears restricted parking on the Waterfront hurts local business and he wants the Board to consider denying further requests for restricted parking on the Waterfront during the months of June through August.

Mr. Bletzer motions to deny restricted parking along the Waterfront June through August and Ms. Pratt seconds for discussion.

The Board deliberates whether this is the best option and ultimately decides to review these requests on a per event basis.

Withdrawn

Mr. Price asks that personnel reviews be submitted to the Board as soon as possible.

Mr. Friend reports his progress on the Appeals Hearing process. He will produce a memo to the Board on how he proposes the Board handle the non-compliant Handicap spaces in Town; he had to void a number of tickets because of this issue.

5:56 p.m. Bills Requiring Board Approval and Other Financial Matters –

Jarred Bourassa

Personal vehicle tire repair \$81.05

Ms. Hatcher motions to pay for Mr. Bourassa's tire and Mr. Bletzer seconds.

Passed | 6-0-0

Ms. Pratt asks Mr. Fischer if he can clarify a \$1040.00 charge from Clancy for a batch of tickets issued in May 2007. He cannot, and suggests that Clancy pay the outstanding bill because there is nothing to substantiate the claim in PGDC records.

Ms. Pratt will issue a check to Mr. Bill Gagnon only for labor charges incurred when he updated Park Plymouth computers. She will issue a check for a memory upgrade, which is on order, once he has installed it.

Mr. Zanotti suggests placing a sizeable chunk of money into a short term accruable account so more money will be available to buy out the lease for the P&D machines or fix broken machines as necessary.

Mr. Zanotti motions that pending Finance Director Lynne Barrett's advice, the Board set aside \$65, 000.00 in a Federally Insured, short term interest bearing account that can be withdrawn or added to without penalty; Mr. Hallisey seconds for discussion.

Passed | 6-0-0

2006 information has been supplied to Ms. Pratt by the auditor and she may have an occasion to rely on Mr. Fischer's previous experience with the books. The Auditor wants to present audit information from 2006-07 to the Board sometime in the first week of July.

6:17 p.m.

Minutes:

April 22, 2008 –

Mr. Zanotti motions to accept the April 22 minutes with changes and

Mr. Hallisey seconds.

Passed | 6-0-1

April 29, 2008 –

Mr. Hallisey motions to accept minutes with changes and

Ms. Pratt seconds.

Passed | 6-0-0

6:23 p.m.

PGDC Tasks and Projects –

Parking Solutions –

Ms. Hatcher concurs with Mr. Friend; research she has completed with Neil regarding non-compliant Handicap spaces is in fact a problem. She would also like to look at reconfiguring Middle Street lot and others to maximize spaces (i.e. dividing space for compact cars). She also suggests taking a look at improving these spaces before refreshing them via Guide Lines.

Seasonal Parking –

Ms. Pratt suggests the Board should consider whether or not parking should become a seasonal program. Ms. Hatcher will look into it because it falls in line with Parking Solutions and will affect the overall parking plan.

Hearing Officers –

Ms. Pratt has received ten resumes to date for the Hearing Officer's position. Closing date is end of June. Ms. Pratt will copy resumes and distribute them for Board review.

Meeting with the Union for the Enforcement Officers –

Ms. Pratt and Mr. Price are meeting with Ms. Arrighi to talk about creating a better relationship with the Union.

Steven's Field –

There is an area in Steven's Field that could be used for several hundred parking spaces. A 21E is going to be conducted by the Town and Open Space has suggested to PGDC that maybe some of that area can be used for public parking. The Board will continue to explore this idea.

6:45 p.m.

Questions Regarding the Types of Projects Supported by the PGDC –

Mr. Fischer cautions the Board on the types of projects the PGDC chooses to support in the future. He is not in any way suggesting the Board should rescind a vote taken in favor of supporting the Hollywood

East on Main Street event; however, he does share his concerns about his inability to locate authorization in the enabling legislation for giving away money to help promote events and suggests everyone take a serious look at the legislation again. Although Mr. Price does not see much of a difference between giving money away to various tourism related items over the last year and the Hollywood East on Main Street event, upon his further review and contemplation, he agrees the current legislation does seem a bit ambiguous and also encourages the Board to research the legislation carefully. Mr. Zanotti feels the PGDC's charge is parking and thinks this issue presents a good opportunity to approach the Town and ask their opinion of how the PGDC is handling the current contract, whether or not PGDC is meeting the mark, and perhaps asking Mr. Marzelli's opinion of last week's vote. Ms. Pratt suggests the Board create a policy and check list that makes sure PGDC is meeting its obligations in that regard.

7:15 Ms. Hatcher motions to adjourn and Mr. Bletzer seconds. Passed | 6-0-0

Next meeting will be held Tuesday July 1, 2008 at 5 p.m. in Town Hall

Respectfully submitted by PGDC Secretary Mr. William Hallisey

Signed: _____ Date: _____
William Hallisey

