

Minutes
Safety Committee Meeting
March 3, 2020

The Safety Committee met by telephone on Wednesday, March 3, 2020. Present were our chair, Michael Tirrell, Lisa Fryer, Jessica Cohen, Jim Coughlin, Jim Huning, Beanie Einstein, Harry Rosenblum, and Gina Cressey. Bill Paige was on the line as well.

The following agenda items were discussed:

Police Coverage: The committee reviewed efforts being coordinated with Chief of Police Michael Boucher to recruit a new part-time police officer for the 2020 season. Officer Ben Kolko has accepted a full-time position with another police department and likely cannot commit to the number of weekly hours he worked last year. The goal is to have a new part-time officer for 2020.

Lifeguards: We are awaiting word back from our two lifeguards from last year – Evan and Mackenzie – about whether they can return for the coming season. Working with Bill Paige, the committee will step up recruiting for new lifeguards, if one or both of our veteran lifeguards choose to not work at Bayside.

Speed Signage: The committee reviewed location options for the two new digital read-out speed signs. We agree that the signs should be at locations near the north and south entrances of the village. Options will be discussed at the next Overseers meeting. A third sign is the portable digital read-out sign that we've used for the past several years. Bill Paige suggested moving that sign around inside the village on a weekly basis. Locations would include George Street, Bluff Road, and the Shore Road, as well as other hot spots where speeding is an ongoing problem. Discussion of how to fund a couple of additional signs in ongoing.

Dock Safety Signage: The committee discussed next steps for moving forward on the dock safety sign that has been discussed in prior meetings. Once language is final, and Bill Paige will work with an outside vendor on a sign prototype for review by the committee. The goal is for a new dock safety sign to be in place for Summer 2020.

Safety Day 2020: This popular event will be chaired again by Lisa Fryer and Jessica Cohen, working with Jim Huning, who headed this effort for several years. Jim established contacts with Northport first responders who bring emergency vehicles for kids and adults to explore. Harry has volunteered to bring hotdogs again this year. Jessica and Lisa will present a 2020 plan to the committee at an upcoming meeting, including date options. We'd like a sunny July day with temps in the low seventies and a moderate breeze off the water.

Respectfully submitted,

Gina Cressey