

SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING – *Meeting Summary*
February 10, 2021

Attendance (via Zoom):

Committee Members:

Michael Tirrell – Chair
Jim Coughlin
Beanie Einstein
Lisa Fryer
Jim Huning
Harry Rosenblum
Jeffrey Wilt

Bayside Residents:

Dan Webster

Waterfront Ordinance – The Safety Committee was forwarded a copy of the proposed Waterfront Ordinance earlier in the day for review. The Waterfront Committee and Governance Committee have been working together to create this Ordinance. *The Committee will discuss the proposed ordinance at a future meeting.*

Summer Staffing – The new Personnel Committee is coordinating the hiring of police staff and lifeguards for 2021. Personnel will recommend to the Board of Overseers that Michael Boucher, Chief of Police, and Danny Ryosa be rehired this summer in accordance with Safety Committee budget allowances. The expectation is that Danny Ryosa will work the bulk of the hours. The police staffing schedule will be handled by Personnel Committee, Bill Paige, and Michael Boucher.

Lifeguards – All three lifeguards from last summer, Thomas Parker, Elizabeth Parker and Ronin have expressed interest in returning this summer. Michael Tirrell is coordinating the hiring of lifeguards as a member of Personnel Committee.

COVID Update – The committee briefly discussed COVID-19 and various members shared their perspective on the guidelines in place last season. The consensus was to see where things are relative to the Maine State Guidelines and adapt same for Bayside. Jim Coughlin, Harry Rosenblum, and Michael Tirrell agreed that Ruggles Park playground and basketball court could likely open this summer. The Overseers are to make the final determination regarding any COVID-19 restrictions – likely at the board’s April meeting.

Safety Brochure – Dan Webster will send his copies of previous Safety Brochures. The committee is to update the brochure for the coming season. The aim is to post the brochure on the new village website (set to debut in late Spring) and to hopefully

distribute via other means. Dan Webster will also post an updated brochure on Bayside Maine website. A sub-committee will be appointed to update brochure.

Speed Signs – Michael Tirrell noted that additional Speed Signs are not in this years Budget. The Safety Committee would have to plan for the future...no funds would be available for this season. Lisa Fryer said the cost for the speed signs is approximately \$2300.00. She also reported that Bill Paige would like to have mobile/solar signs.

Budget – Michael Tirrell reported that the Safety Committee is over budget because of the Police Cruiser expenses ...about \$4,000. This expense needs to be looked into as it relates to the Safety Committee Budget.

Safety Day – If the community gets “back to normal” we would want to pursue a Safety Day and continue the tradition and keep it alive. All committee members present were in agreement. *This topic to be addressed in detail at next meeting.*

Ruggles Park Lighting – Michael Tirrell informed the Safety members a subcommittee on lighting for Ruggles Park has been formed. Michael updated the committee, that laying of conduit is being thought through and the subcommittee will come to the Safety Committee for safety considerations. All agreed that there should be a balance of aesthetics & lighting.

The Safety Committee adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

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