

CS Advisory Board | Minutes

Thursday, November 14th, 2024 - 6:00 PM @ Hub

Item 1 | Call to Order - Trish 6:02pm

Item 2 | Attendance

Committee Members Present: Art Dillon, Trish Brigham, Rick Murphy, Amanda Doherty, Roger Chabot, Ellen Coughlin Quinn, Alex Marshall

Committee Members Absent: Emily Loder

Liaisons Present: Todd Souza, Karin Shupe

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Guests Present:

Item 3 | Approve 9/12/24 Minutes - postponed to January meeting.

Item 4 | Citizen Comment - None

Item 5 | Beach Fees & Hours - Group Discussion

- Everyone provided feedback to the beach fee review (hours, amount, etc.) in comparison to all of the logistics of Scarborough. Compared to other surrounding towns Scarborough has the lowest fees of all other towns.

- Todd spoke with beach staff for feedback

- They like the idea of consistent timing for fee collection
- 5:30am-5:30pm
- Flat fee was encouraged
- Pick one fee and regardless of holidays/weekends for signage and education
- \$30 is more \$10 bills which requires more cash on hand

- Estimated current beach income is \$298,120

- Increase in beach fees have new estimated beach revenue of \$525,000 (at \$20 across the board)

- Estimated highest users attending the beaches were early morning non-resident users

- No money was received from them because no one was there to receive money
- No staff were on site to monitor the lots
- People are walking their dogs or surfing and using the early morning beach for \$5

- \$165,000 was made from resident passes in 2024

- Current senior passes are free for residents

CSAB Proposal to Town Council - Karen/Trish will work to add this to an upcoming town council agenda

- Resident season pass would remain at \$40. No changes to the additional vehicle and resident senior passes either.

- Non-resident pass is recommended to increase from \$150 to \$180 (20% increase).

- Limit the number of non-resident passes to 425 (currently no limit).

- Daily parking rates (for non-passholders) would be streamlined to one flat rate of \$20 from 5:30am-5:30pm. It is currently \$15 weekdays between 9:00am-3:00pm, \$5 from 5:30-9:00am and 3:00-6:00pm, and \$30 on July and August weekends.

- Restrict RVs on all beaches that don't fit in the standard parking space

2024 had the highest number of non-resident beach passes at 435, up 37% over the prior

year and nearly double the average from 2019-2022. Stay tuned for a set Town Council meeting date when this will be discussed.

Item 6 | Hurd Park Project Update - Todd

- Current priorities are the safety and operational features for the park - improvements to the streets (Ave. 5 and King St.) Entrances/exits/fences/parking lot - gates with arms will be added in (wiring and sensors)
- Ticket booth relocated, power will be in the ticket booth (add fridge and radios for staff)
- Repainted parking lot
- Adding stop sign
- Adding drop off area

Additional improvements

- Demo the bathhouse and rebuild
- Add more outside showers
- Add picnic tables
- Single garage bay to house handicap chairs

Item 7 | FY 2026 Capital Projects

- Hurd Park is the biggest project - ready by spring
- Until the school committee decides what site they want to use for the school, all other capital projects are on hold. You can't improve current projects or sites if those areas are going to be potential sites for the school.

Item 8 | Community Center Project Update - See statement above.

Item 9 | Community Services Director Search Process Update & impact on meeting dates

- Nicole Hall has been named Interim Director until the replacement is found.
- Todd's last day is Nov. 21st.
- CSAB will continue with their bimonthly meetings, Jan, Mar, May, July, Sep, Nov.
- The next meeting scheduled is January 9th at 6pm, the agenda will focus on goals and an update from the school board and from Nicole.

Item 10 | Adjournment & THANK YOU TODD!! - Adjournment is 7:18pm