August 22, 2011

Members present: Richard Combra Jr & Amy Billings

Others present: Rob Myers (OB Resident), Michelle Jones (OB Resident), John Roriz (OB Resident), Gail Barmakian (BoS/OB Resident), Johanna Roses (OB Resident), Mark Crossland (OB Resident), Kathleen Cowley (OB Resident), John Regan (OB Resident)

Special Event Applications

The following events were approved:

- Best Fest – Rob Myers – Washington Park – September 10, 2011
- Bison Beach Ball – Inkwell Beach - August 27, 2011 on condition that the amplified music finish by 4:00 PM. Commissioner Combra advised that if they receive complaints after this year's event that it may be its last

The following event was not approved until Board of Selectmen approve alcohol license:

- Eleni Collins/John Roriz wedding – Waban/Alley Park – September 21, 2012

Commissioner Updates

Wind Festival – Commissioners stated that tent will only be allowed in Waban/Alley Park

Niantic Park tennis – Commissioners agreed that they will meet with Karon Wojtkielo once the season is over for an update

Dog Parade – there were no issues reported by any attendants

Public Input

Triathlon

Commissioners reviewed applications to use Ocean Park for finish line and Waban/Alley Park for registration and post-race events. There was discussion of the logistics of where the event is supposed to be held as plans have changed since original applications.

Commissioner Combra stated that the open market is still allowed to use Waban/Alley Park on Sunday, September 11th. He said he will arrange a meeting with organizer in early September.

Parking issues

Discussion of parking during Open Market; Gail Barmakian was concerned about vehicles parking in front of the houses along Nantucket Avenue. Ms Cowley said that they will put up more signs indicating where people should park.

Commissioner Billings felt that the Police Department was not enforcing parking regulations diligently as vehicles were left in both Sunset Lake Park & Waban/Alley Park after the Illumination and fireworks.

Waban/Alley Park

Ms Barmakian asked about the petition to remove "rain garden" and restore area to grass. She said she had spoken with Chairman of the Conservation Commission who had no objections to its removal.

Commissioner Billings said she would like to see the plants be reused somewhere else.

Commissioner Combra would like to have something in writing from the Conservation Commission allowing its removal.

Meeting adjourned.

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Next meeting September 12, 2011 at 5:00 PM