

January 11, 2021

Members present: Amy Billings, Richard Combra Jr and Antone Lima.

Minutes approved: September 29, 2020

New Business

Ocean Park Bandstand repairs

Commissioners were advised that the Capital Improvement money for the repairs was not approved yet.

There are a number of items to be addressed:

- Leak over electrical panel
- Rotten trim & posts
- Door replacement
- Repainting

Commissioner Richie Combra said that he would have a site visit with Charles Danielson and Mark Crossland in regards to a temporary fix of the leaking floor.

Holiday lights

Commissioner Amy Billings said she would like a discussion with Friends of Oak Bluffs (FOOB) and the Oak Bluffs Association (OBA) for a unified agreement on who does what and where for 2021.

Richie said that he had submitted a FY22 budget with additional money in Beatification & Maintenance line item intended for the Circuit Avenue trees but it was cut back. He said that it is time consuming for the Highway Department to do the decorations.

He continued that the OBA wants lighting on the trees year round and that the Street Scape Committee might want to be involved.

Niantic Park bathroom

Amy listed the issues with the bathroom:

- Broken hand dryer
- Sink needs reinforcement
- New changing table
- Painting

Richie felt that these things could be fixed within the Highway's Public Building Maintenance line item. He said that he would ask Marc for a list of all repairs needed at Niantic Park.

Ocean Park tree removal

Amy said that the tree was illegally removed and that the OBPD has heard from the person who removed it. That person stated that they have been trimming it for years and it was more of a shrub than a tree as it was not 35 feet tall. She wanted to know if something different should be planted.

Richie responded that they are limited on the fine that they can give the person but he felt that they should put the same type of tree back as it would be sending a message. He added that there has never been a request to trim the tree made to the Tree Warden.

Commissioner Antone Lima would like a quote for the same tree with the stump grinding to remove the old one plus maintenance for two years.

The Commissioners were agreement with this course of action.

Comments

Commissioners agreed to hold dates for events but would not review special event applications until February or March.

Meeting adjourned.