

**Ball Pond Advisory Committee Meeting  
November 12, 2019 (rescheduled from Nov. 5)  
Town Hall Conference Room  
7 pm**

**Next meeting: December 2, 2019 at 7 pm**

**Committee Members present:** Gary Mummert, Mark Spellmann (Vice Chair), Julian Laemmerhirt (Chair), George Buck, Monica Santos and Pete Viola. Absent: Jim Mellett

**Call to Order:**

Julian Laemmerhirt called the meeting to order 7:01 pm

**Approval of Minutes:**

Mark Spellmann made a motion to accept the Minutes of October 1, 2019, as amended. Gary Mummert seconded the motion.

**Vote: 5-0-1 (Motion passed/Pete abstained)**

**General Correspondence:**

- Julian reported that the budget has remained the same at \$7000 for weeds, salaries were \$643, but \$358.11 has been used.
- Julian was given an invoice for approval at the meeting for Michael Coleman for a weed dive for \$800 dated 10/29/19. Julian was given an invoice for approval at the meeting from Hydro Technologies for water testing for \$403 dated 10/29/19. Those invoices reduce the budget for weed control to @ \$5800.
  - Mark commented that BPAC approved water testing monthly from April through October: before, during and after thermaline. The biggest concern is phosphorous, which drives algae. BPAC needs to budget @ \$3200.
  - George would like to schedule a meeting with Tim Simpkins of the Town's Health Department to see his water sampling equipment in April 2020 and learn how to collect the samples to send to Hydro Technologies.

**Public Comment:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Signage at Boat Launch**

George said a gentleman named Mike Peyton of the Parks division of CT DEEP installed a sign at the boat launch stating No Motors (Gas or Electric). Mark wondered if an email to town voters should be sent reminding them of the No Motors Ordinance or perhaps temporary signs at the entrance to the boat launch should be installed. George agreed that one sign was not enough. There used to be a second place for a sign, but it was removed by the state. He could probably get two additional signs identical to the one that is there and have them staked into the ground. It may require approval from the state, or they may want to install themselves.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Boat removal process**

Gary reported that all boats with stickers for removal were removed by Public Works. The very next day, one of the owners went to the police to claim their boat. Public Works was working with the owner to have them pick their boat up. Gary felt the owner should sign an affidavit before receiving their boat back. George felt there should be a paper trail. Formally file a complaint with the police next time with the number of boats to be removed.

### **Additional items:**

- Gary is still working on signage for the town beach stating "Swim at your own risk". It was addressed with the First Selectman and sent to the town attorney for review.
- Monica did not bring the boat that is on her property to Satterlee Road in time. She will work on having it removed in the spring. Half of the dock is gone. She said there is a cluster of boats on Ball Pond East that are on private property without the owner's permission. They may make their way to Satterlee Road as well.
- Mark went to Minutemen Press twice to have stationary printed, but was told the logo is not high-res. Lisa offered to look at and get quotes for 1000 sheets of letterhead and envelopes.
- Julian will follow-up with the First Selectman's secretary on whether letters of appreciation were sent to Cynthia Stevens and Helen Gallagher.

Gary Mummert made a motion to adjourn at 7:47 pm. Mark Spellmann seconded the motion.

**Vote: 6-0-0 (Motion passed)**

Respectfully Submitted,

*Lisa Arasim*

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