

Minutes
Safety Committee Meeting
November 11, 2011

PRESENT:

Ned Lightner, Chair
Dick Brockway
Gina Cressey
Maureen Einstein
Steve Flowers
Dennis Wang (via phone)

Visitors:

Marge Brockway

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Ned Lightner.

Approval of Minutes: Ned Lightner moved to approve the minutes of the October 7, 2011 meeting, seconded by Gina Cressey. Voted and approved.

Emergency Entrance to Bayview Park: Steve Flowers met with Fire Chief, Mike Alley, regarding emergency access to Bayview Park from George Street.
Chief Alley's recommendations as follows:

A fire truck could not use this entrance because the ground would not support the weight of the fire truck, equipment, plus water weight. However, an ambulance would be able to navigate this road.

Chief Alley said the entrance to Bayview Park would need to be graded for ambulance access.

Chief Alley expressed the need for better signage at the entrance to the parks, ie. Bayview Park, Auditorium, Blaisdell, etc. for emergency personnel.

Another area of concern discussed with Chief Alley, was the difficulty of navigating Bay Street during the months of July and August. A minimum of 20feet of clearance is needed for an emergency vehicle to pass. Discussion among the Safety Committee ensued. Harry Rosenbulum, had suggested earlier, that widening the channel off the west side of Bay Street may alleviate the problem.

Action: Ned Lightner will present to the Overseers this suggestion and ask for their guidance and input.

Discussion continued:

Better signage for general areas.

Looking into the possibility of making a detailed Bayside Map to augment the maps that the emergency services use.

Surveys – There were 110 Survey responses, out of the 350 sent to the community, with the Utility Bills. Dick Brockway distributed a detailed summary with graphical results of the survey's to the Safety Committee.

The major concern addressed in the Survey's was speed and the need to control same, ie, police presence, speed bumps, etc. Steve Flowers reported that Chief Alley is aware of speeding concerns, and would support the placement of speed bumps on designated streets..

Action: Dick Brockway will check pricing , recommended placement, availability, etc of speed bumps.

The next meeting of the Safety Committee will be Friday, December 16, 2011 at 4:00 p.m.

Gina Cressey moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ned Lightner. The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Maureen Einstein
Safety Committee Member