

Long Beach Park Board
Meeting Minutes from 04.27.2021
Long Beach/virtual meeting, 6pm

- * Call to Order 6:01pm Kendra Bartlett, reminder that Park Board meetings take place on the 4th Tuesday of each month, 6pm (to to longbeachin.org for sign in and all other Town of Long Beach information)(email longbeachparkboard@gmail.com).
- * Quorum: Kendra Bartlett, Zach Neff, Anita Remijas, Joy Schmitt (approximately 9 other participants joined the meeting).
- * Approval of Minutes from March 2021 meeting, motion Kendra Bartlett, second Joy Schmitt.
- * 4th of July Festivities Update Kendra Bartlett: As usual, Civic Association is taking on festivities which may or may not include fireworks, parade, food/beverages.
- * Stop 24 Town sign Update Kendra Bartlett: Prior to Stop 24 restoration, directional sign for Police/Fire/Town Center was located at Stop 24. Exploratory discussion re: what, if anything, to replace the sign which would conform to Town ordinances & easements, including new sign(s) and/or small replica of stop pillars and where to be placed. Several signs are already around the area. JS & KB will obtain dimensions for mockup of pillars.
- * Stop 16 Resident Repair Issue Update Zach Neff: ZN has been in discussions with resident Dan Stecich re: repairs to and replacement of boardwalk and viewing area, concerns that wood is rotting and what exactly residents can do with different materials. Per ZN/JS there is no view ordinance that would affect repairs. Per resident Stecich, viewing platform is fine with minor repairs to replace what is bad. Residents would pay for matting/composite plastic panels that could be rolled up & stored during winter season. Group of Stop 16 residents will collectively pay for the materials with a 5 year warranty (Stop 24 has similar deck access). John Kocher will take to LB Town Council May meeting (brochures & other materials will be provided to him). Mats drain, water & sand go through and can be swept clean. ZN will take care of how to get old sections up to street side for Street Dept. pick up.
- * Beach Clean Up 03.27-28 Update Zach Neff: Beach clean up days were organized to the extent that ZN place garbage bags at each stop, communicated via fb to clean up beach and either bring trash/recycling home or leave at top of stop for Street Dept. pick up. Thank you to Tom O'Keefe & Alliance for Great Lakes clean up at Stop 28.
- * Water Fountains for Stops other than 21 Update Kendra Bartlett: Request from Water Dept. whether Park Board intends to install any new water fountains (only Stop 21 currently). Discussion: waste of water, maintenance issue, no more fountains to be installed.
- * Barrier at Stop 24 to Prevent Cars Driving on Path Update Kendra Bartlett: Cars have been driving down the paved area to viewing area. John Wall, Town Council, asked PB to review. ZN suggested bollards that could be placed and, with keys provided to Police and Street Depts., could be "flopped down" in case of emergency to allow access. ZN will send examples to John Kocher to share with Town Council.
- * LB Police Dept. Promotional Items Update Kendra Bartlett: Chief Mark Swistek requested financial assistance from Park Board for purchase of promotional, good will items. KB will contact Chief and advice that Park Board will handle the purchase, invoice to JS.

On Going Business:

- * Summer Camp Update Sarah Plooster: Camp is 6 weeks 06.21-07.30.21, rates will stay the same (only a 4 day difference from 2019 7 weeks to 2021 6 weeks). Tennis is 06.22-07.29.21 at the 2019 rate. KB/SP will reserve the tennis courts with signage. Ages 3 through 11, 4 groups instead of 3, 4 stations, 4 directors + transition station. Town attorney Chris Willoughby will review waiver for Covid paragraph to add to risk category. SP will email waivers to Attorney Willoughby, Bob LeMay. SP will contact Joe Jogmen, Community Center Committee.
- * Park Activity Questions Update Sarah Plooster: Discussion of Movie(s) in the Park, Tai Chi, how to reintroduce to LB. Questions have to go to Town Council, SP will prepare and send to KB & John Kocher.
- * Beach Garden Club Update Janice Brown: First meeting took place in April, restoration of park path started by Janice Brown & husband, thanks to Tom Dolph (Street Dept.), further discussion of extensive work involved means remainder of work has to be quoted from Dan Healy, KB will reach out to Dan Healy, Janice Brown will obtain other quotes as necessary. Discussion of "dream" ideas, Beverly Gallagher desire to do things, including ideas for 100 year celebration, tree trimmings overall. KB will reach out to BG with names of companies. Nipsco will be contacted about tree trimmings near utility lines. Benches to be dug out & bases put in place before being returned. Brainstorming ideas by BGC include lighting, public wifi.
- * Pickleball/basketball/tennis courts Update Anita Remijas: Powerwashing, repair, restriping all planned, weather permitting, June/July 2021.
- * Stop 20 Metal Stairs Update Kendra Bartlett: Work ongoing, weather & materials permitting.
- * Stop Updates Kendra Bartlett: Stops have all be looked at, updates re: weeding, adding river rock, adding bike rack. Stops 21 and 23 are on hold.
- * General Public Comments: Sarah Murphy, Stop 29, thank you, willing to assist wherever she can be helpful. Note to residents that removal of toters (trash bins) will require community effort to keep the beaches clean.
- * Adjourned 7:21 pm, motion Kendra Bartlett, second Joy Schmitt.
- * Next Park Board meeting: Tuesday, May 25, 2021 at 6pm (virtual)
- * Agenda will be posted on fb

Respectfully submitted,
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