

Baileys Harbor Downtown Group Meeting Notes September 12, 2016

Baileys Harbor Downtown Group Members Present: Karen Berndt, Jean Davison, Nancy Dickson, Mariah Goode, Pam Goode, Terry Goode, Mary Horton, Gordon Rowley, Kriss Schorer, Ken Uhlhorn, Rori Uhlhorn

Baileys Harbor Town Board Member: Barbara Anschutz

Mariah Goode shared a summary of activities since the group last met in May 2016.

- There was an informal meeting in June involving Mariah, Francha Barnard, Bobby Schultz, Doug Smith, Steve Leonard, and a town crew member reviewing the proposal from the downtown group regarding changing the three water view access areas' designation to parks, including a discussion of appropriate amenities for each area.
- The Town Board had meeting agenda items regarding the proposed improvements to the waterfront properties in June and in August. At their August 8th meeting, the Board listened to a presentation by Mariah regarding the group's proposal and, following discussion, approved changing the designation of the three water access areas to parks, including name changes. The board approved placing new signs at each of the areas this year and directed the group to continue working with board members Barbara Anschutz and Bobby Schultz regarding future development of each of the park areas.
- Following the town board meeting, Mariah met and worked with Barbara Anschutz and Bobby regarding the park amenities and size and placement of new signage.

A description of changes for each park is included later in this meeting summary.

The group discussed the status of the Gannett Grant that was submitted in August. Gannett will not be making any grant decisions until January or February 2017.

Mariah has contacted the Door County Board of Realtors twice following her submission of the downtown group's proposal, but has not heard from them regarding interest or questions regarding the proposal.

Additional grant opportunities were discussed briefly, including a Wisconsin JEM Grant, which Mariah will look into to see if the current proposal qualifies for one-time funding.

Barbara indicated that she will submit budget requests within the next few weeks for the upcoming 2017 town budget to include adding the amenities listed for each

of the parks as a town expense. If the Gannett Grant proposal is awarded and funded in early 2017, the town will be reimbursed for their expenses.

The group spent time reviewing the recommendations and changes that have occurred as a result of discussions with town officials. Park signage designs and dimensions were shared followed by a walk to Harbor View Park (by Harbor Sands Condominiums) to view the property.

At the conclusion of the meeting, the group agreed **the next Baileys Harbor Downtown Group meeting will focus on Lakeshore Park, including a visit to the site. Mariah will organize the next meeting, contacting members with potential meeting dates and times.**

Listed below is a summary of the downtown group's proposal. Any item listed in **green** is an update on that aspect of the proposed future development of the park areas. Any item listed in **red** is an item no longer under consideration.

1) Harbor View Park improvements.

- a. Sign: "Harbor View Park." Town will purchase and install in 2016 a 24"(H)x30"(L) sign, on new (taller) post, with sign facing closer to parallel to the road. If possible, town will move existing Lakeview Street sign/post and "dead end" sign to opposite side of right-of-way. Town will also see if they can move sign indicating to pedestrians how/where to walk further up along Ridges Road.
- b. "Doggie pick-up" bag dispenser & sign. Town could potentially put in 2017 budget.
- c. Garbage and recycling containers. Town could potentially put in 2017 budget.
- d. Bike rack. New idea, from meetings with town officials: Have Clearing blacksmithing class build this (design to be approved). Potential ideas: fish (like town hall bike rack), or boat, or birdcage lighthouse.
- e. "Little Free Library." To be discussed/determined at a later date.
- f. Railroad ties or similar designators for up to six parking spaces. Town will install in 2016 cement designators perpendicular to the "road" travel direction, side by side, located approximately four fence posts west of the willow tree.
- g. Convert portion of existing dirt/gravel driveway to grass and laying a wood chip path to the waterfront. Mulch available at Green Site. Town could potentially install in 2016; if not, then in 2017.
- h. "Entry arch." *Materials, construction, and installation = in-kind*

donation. Town not sure about this proposal. Maybe ask 2016-2017 Clearing class to submit design of possible arch, to be potentially constructed (if town approves) in 2017-18 or '18-'19?

2) Bluff End Park improvements.

a. Sign: "Bluff End Park." Town will purchase and install in 2016 either a 24"(H)x 30"(L) sign (preferred size and orientation), or, if that size/orientation impinges into the drive/walkway, a vertical sign of approximately the same size. Existing sign re: public waterfront access will be moved to fence where green space of park begins.

b. "Doggie pick-up" bag dispenser & sign. Cost: \$150. *Installation = in-kind donation.* Town and downtown group agreed not to install at this park.

c. Garbage and recycling containers. Cost: \$500. *Installation = in-kind donation.* Town and downtown group agreed not to install at this park.

d. Paint lines on existing asphalt to clearly indicate public path to be used so private properties adjacent are protected. Town will in 2016 paint line or lines, with arrows pointing toward park, and words "public walkway."

e. Bike rack. Cost: \$500. *Installation = in-kind donation.* Town and downtown group agreed not to install at this park.

f. "Entry arch." *Materials, construction, and installation = in-kind donation.* Town not sure about this proposal. Maybe ask 2016-2017 Clearing class to submit design of possible arch, to be potentially constructed (if town approves) in 2017-18 or '18-'19?

3) Lakeshore Park.

Separate meeting will be held later in 2016 to discuss/visit just this park.

a. Clean-up of shorefront. Town plans on undertaking some (placement of soil along bluff edge).

b. Two-sided sign: "Lakeshore Park." Town will purchase and install, possibly in 2016, once group and board member(s) decide on size and location.

c. "Doggie pick-up" bag dispenser & sign. Town could potentially put in 2017 budget.

d. Garbage and recycling containers. Town could potentially put in 2017 budget.

e. Two benches.

f. One picnic table.

g. Bike rack. Town idea: Have Clearing class build; design to be approved. Potential ideas: fish (like town hall) or boat...?

- h. "Little Free Library."
- i. Mulched path to picnic table/bench area. Mulch available at Green Site. Group and board member(s) need to decide on exact location. Town could install.
- j. Split-rail fence sections near the northern and southern boundaries of the property (50 feet of fence on each end) to prevent trespassing onto private property. Location and boundary demarcation (fence? rocks?)
- k. Eight raised-bed garden planters to create a border parallel to the bluff border. Town doesn't want physical planters installed. Town is placing soil in Fall of 2016 to clean up area near drop-off. Barb investigating wildflower plants for this area for 2017.
- l. Mulch path inside guardrail for safe pedestrian access along highway. Mulch available at Green Site. Group and board member(s) need to decide on exact location. Town could install.
- m. Creation of 1-2 additional on-street parking spaces on Highway 57. Town will need to work (with DOT?) on this.
- n. "Entry arch." *Materials, construction, and installation = in-kind donation.* Town and downtown group agreed not to install at this park.
- o. Stairway to shoreline. Town and group need to decide what type of stairway is desired.
- p. Rustic guardrail purchase and installation. Bobby Schultz working with DOT on this.