**PMAC MEETING MINUTES – JUNE 4, 2019**

PUBLIC SAFETY UPDATES 7:00 pm to 7:30 pm

We had strong attendance, including Boston Police Department E-13, and B-2 (and our D-4 representative emailed because he could not attend), State Police, MBTA police, and three Northeastern University officers from the bicycle patrol. Each provided public safety updates. Recent issues include public drinking and drug use, graffiti in the park. Other incidents occurred nearby, but not in the park. Officers emphasized the recommendation to call 911 for any issues that require a police officer to come to the site.

Action items:

* Tracy will email information about graffiti to officers;
* Jennifer will add the “Crimestoppers” information to our public safety page;
* Ongoing focus on graffiti – send photos and report to 311;

COMMUNITY UPDATES 7:30 pm to 8:45 pm

- DCR Updates

* Patrick Driscoll provided updates on projects and summer staffing -- new fiscal year begins July 1st.
* Discussion about drainage & maintenance in the ball fields.
* Marcia Sassoon asked about Carleton Court dog park projects – Pat to coordinate with them about paint and other supplies.
* Discussion about (proposed) JP Dog Park project and decision to check in with DCR staff on this and other projects. (Since then, DCR emailed Jennifer L. to say another public meeting is being planned. More information soon hopefully!)
* Discussion about other projects that are likely to start in FY2020 – especially bike/walking path improvements and the skateboard park project.

- Mini-Grant update (6 or 7 projects to be funded)

* Six projects are approved and one is pending, for a total of seven projects. A list of projects will be posted on the <http://swcpc.org/youthactivitites> page and emailed to PMAC members once finalized.

- Mary Longley garden

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| MARY LONGLEY GARDEN UPDATE  Mary Longley garden update from Cory Amzon: “the legislation [to name the garden for Mary Longley] was passed in the House budget. It will likely be included after conference committee and should make it through the process. The budget is usually completed by the end of June or early July, so once the final version is passed (after the Senate, conference committee, governor vetoes, and legislative overrides), Mary Longley will officially be named."  From Bob Barney -- As for design, we have a new volunteer to help us, Jim Alexander.  Jim is a principal at the firm of Finegold Alexander Architects and lives on Northampton Street.  Also, a heavy user of Northampton Green as he commutes to work and events.  I very excited to have him join this work. |

- Tot lot garden project

* Volunteers Carla Coch and Scott Romney have placed child-sized picnic tables in the area outside the Carleton Court Tot Lot (along with mulch & pruning).

- Everett St. Playground work day, New Minton Playground raised bed, and other JP project updates

* Jenny Jones provided an update on recent projects, including the construction of a raised bed at the New Minton St. Playground. Jenny shared photos (now posted on Facebook and on the SWCPC website homepage. The photos have received lots of positive attention). Discussion about water & next steps for the project.

- Community gardens improvements / pilot

* Tracy O’Brien provided an update about the pilot project. Discussion about next steps for obtaining available granite curbstones (at no cost) from another DCR project.

- Website - an update to the volunteer hours page (for out-of-pocket spending info) (see <http://swcpc.org/volunteerhours.asp>)

* Jennifer Leonard shared a draft of a reimbursement policy for out-of-pocket expenses and a website update.