

TASSEL TOP BOARD MEETING MAY 24th 2011

Well this has been an interesting spring already. The weather has made progress of any kind slow, if not impossible at times. We really have no beach at this time with water up to the breakwater in places and under the picnic tables as well. We will be ready, one way or the other to open this weekend but space will be limited. It will be a good weekend for people to buy their passes either way. We are praying that the weather will dry out soon and we are excited for a good summer.

1. We already have 7 weeks rented in the cabins
 - A. floor painted in the third cabin
 - B. cement floor in the bathroom has been scraped, etched and if not done by tonight, will be done in the next day.
 - C. 2 screens will be repaired
 - D. Screen doors on most cabin will need to be replaced over the summer.

2. Swim lines were restrung on new rope with alternating old blue and white buoys to make a more defined border and also to help keep the rope out of the water a little more which will hopefully slow the degradation of the rope. 3 new swim area marker buoys were purchased to add to the line and replace one that was damaged. There will be 5 across the front and one on each side. The swim lines are out and we will be putting the "tank" buoys out this week.

3. Shrubs were planted beside snack shack, by snack shack fence and by gate to beach.

4. Barry Alden, Elliot LaMarre, Erinn Sullivan and Blake Edwards are returning to, as Blake tells everyone, "the BEST JOB EVER!" Joining us this year is Doreen Nicoli who worked for me at Frye Island, Mary Jo Stanton, Tocumbo "Tookie" Amosun and Kyle Hanson from St. Joseph's and Marilee Jackson as a spare.

5. Passes and brochures have been printed. Brochures distributed to the Chamber of Commerce, Good Life Market and the Town Office at this point.

6. We will need as many as 8 picnic tables and 4 grills this year. We have repaired the old tables until there is nothing left of them.

7. Projects so far to be done as time, money and weather warrant:
 - A. Gate house porch needs a couple of boards replaced and restrained
 - B. Finish the erosion control timbers
 - C. Make a enclosed sign box by beach to display the History of the park maybe with some then and now picture.
 - D. Walking path on the side of the road that goes to the beach to keep people off the road and avoid accidents
 - E. Run electricity underground to the trees by the pond for the pumps with an outlet so we will no longer have a cord running across the lawn. It will avoid lawn mowing mishaps and animals chewing the cords.
 - F. Landscaping the parking area...chips in the walkways (to be decided) and raised

gardens in each section.

G. New map box at the entrance of the trails.

H. Gravel (stones) to define the rental driveway and the shed driveway with mulch and plantings in the V between.

I. Parking lot fences repaired and stained and "spaces numbered. We hope to encourage people to park appropriately and avoid wasting space also if there is an issue with someone having trouble finding their car they will now have a number to return to. This will also work to our benefit if someone's alarm goes off or anything else where we have to find the owner of the vehicle.

J. We want to get the posters put back up in the education center with plexiglass over them to minimize vandalism.

K. Path through the woods to the left of path to the beach with a board walk over the swampy areas near the end of the beach to allow people to explore the wetland area without ruining any of it in keeping with our mission of education. It would be a fun way to add to our trail system and give people another avenue to explore the ducks, turtles, frogs etc. that live there.

L. We have been given a hand carved eagle to display. We have a plan, at this point, to urethane it then build a shelter with a roof and fence around it with plexiglass to protect it from the weather and theft. Better explained verbally.

8. For Discussion:

A. Chain link fence across from of park with new 5 line tube gates. The gates we have now are limited to keeping out vehicles but are useless as far as keeping out people and dogs. I'll explain.

B. Facebook

C. Fishing Derby....The park stays relatively undisturbed until we open the gates for the Fishing Derby. From that point on we have people with dogs, snowmobiles etc. As far as I can see we only have about 5 cars max that use the park entrance during this time. The post that holds the chain to the beach was snapped off and the chain rolled up and all was leaned against the fence. There is supposed to be walk in access only. People can walk over or under a chain. There are no signs to this effect.

9. Eventually:

A new garage so renters could have the old one to store their stuff and keep the yard looking better to other people looking to rent. An we could have a lockable area to store our tools, Mule etc and give Barry and indoor place to work.