

Webster Beach Planning Committee Meeting  
January 23, 2019 – Town Library

Financial Analysis was presented by Carole and Tom. Breakdown of revenue and expenses were reviewed from '17 and '18 and '19 revenue was projected. A new format was presented for capturing / reporting actuals going forward.

Observations:

Expenses were consistent with past years. Largest expense was payroll, which will increase again due to the minimum wage adjustment.

We decided to add a non-motorized boat fee structure. This fee will fall between a vehicle without a boat fee and a vehicle with motorized boat fee. For example a resident season pass for a vehicle is \$25 and a vehicle with motorized boat is \$75. We propose a non motorized boat fee of \$40 for a season. Non resident rates and daily rates will also be available. We also discussed looking at the fee structure for Fishing Tournaments. While there were only three tournaments last year, the fee structure for this type of event should be defined. Carol agreed to make a recommendation to the committee for discussion at the next meeting.

Also discussed was how current entry fees could impact the group's ability to facilitate various events. It was suggested that we might need to limit events to only take place outside of the busy season or off hours. This will require more discussion.

Tom suggested that we look into the potential of providing Canoe and Kayak Storage at the beach and he agreed to research possible solutions and costs for review at the next meeting.

The WPI Team provided a review of their progress. They distributed a "Redevelopment Ranking Worksheet" which the committee members used to prioritize areas of focus.

Additional discussions took place around the benefits of closing the Lakeside Ramp or adding staff to that location.

Jason lead a discussion on how the introduction of invasive plants is impacting the quality of lake water and the potential benefits of adding a Boat Wash at Memorial Beach. Also discussed was the potential for having "Gate Keepers" trained in identifying plant matter etc. that might be present on boats, etc when entering the Memorial Beach property and putting a process in place to mitigate this potential. Signage, Handouts, Walk Around Inspection prior to entry, etc...

Jason also agreed to research the benefits of closing Lakeside and expanding the capabilities of Memorial Beach, accommodating additional boats while enforcing contaminant preventive measures. He will report back at the next meeting. Doug agreed to look into potential grants for a boat wash and report back at the next meeting.

And finally, the team briefly reviewed the Wall Chart, area Captain's and discussed the need to develop an action plan for areas of focus.