

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MARBLEHEAD
OBSERVER CORPS

Meeting of the Recreation and Parks Commission, May 12, 2020, 4:30 on Zoom. Observer: Kay Rieper

All members were present.

Joe Kowalik and Michael Hull from the MMLD presented a plan to install two EV-chargers on properties overseen by the Rec. and Park department: one behind the Marblehead Community Center, and one off of Ocean Ave. at the beach parking lot. A car can be charged for 4 hours. After that, there is a \$5 per hour parking fee to encourage people not to stay beyond what electricity they need. Each unit can charge two cars at a time. The electric box is unobtrusive. (There is a similar box at Gatchells for the lights.) After discussion about security, and costs involved in the installation, the Board passed a motion to approve the two sites pending site work to find out what the costs to Rec. and Park would be. This could include curb cuts, paving and fencing at the Rec and Park building.

Other business:

Jaime spoke with Jason Silva about boat launching at Riverhead Beach. For now they will be scheduled for 30 minutes apart.

Chip spoke about g-max testing for the turf field. The company they hired to do this has not returned calls. The testing involves the safety of the fields and could be a liability if we are not in compliance. It was last done late summer 2018. There are lots of pellets but no way to install them. He suggested they might buy the equipment for about \$2800 and train our workers to use it. This would save money within two years. He will look into the cost in more detail.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15. The next meeting will tentatively be Tuesday, May 26.