

Town of Beverly Shores
Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee
Minutes of the Meeting
Monday, July 14, 2025, 6:30pm CT

1. Call to Order:

Susan Loeb called the meeting of the Town of Beverly Shores Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee to order at 6:30 pm CT.

2. Roll Call:

Committee members present:, Paula Tillman, Andre Daugavietis, Steve Coughlin, Susan Loeb; and Tom Abrahamson present via Google Meets.

Also present were Ellen Hundt, Town Clerk-Treasurer, and Candice Peterson-Smith, Town Council Liaison to the Parks Committee.

3. Title VI Community Involvement Survey:

Susan Loeb announced that the Title VI public involvement survey is available via the Town's website and in the Council room.

4. Minutes of Meeting of June 9, 2025:

Andre Daugavietis motioned to approve the Minutes of Meeting of June 9, 2025; seconded by Tom Abrahamson. Approved 4-0-1 with Paula Tillman abstaining.

5. Old Business:

Susan Loeb led a discussion about the Warming Hut and Outdoor Deck and presented Charlie Ray's drawing of the new deck and ADA ramp. Steve Coughlin motioned to approve the design; Tom Anrahamson seconded. Approved 4-0-1 with Paula Tillman abstaining.

Tom Abrahamson led a discussion on resurfacing the dual use court where cracks and surface heaves were making play difficult. Tom Abrahamson motioned to approved spending up to \$200 for the shuffleboard resurfacing contractor, Resin Pros, to grind down dual use cracks and surface heaves; seconded by Andre Daugavietis. Approved 5-0.

Steve Coughlin reported that Green Leaves Tree Service completed tree removal at Lituanica Park on June 6, 2026. Final cost was \$2900.00 vs up to \$3250 approved budget. Susan Loeb asked to delay the fire ring discussion by one month, with no objections.

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Steve Coughlin reported that the old rusty Lituanica Park fire ring which the Committee voted on June 14, 2025 to trash, was removed from the park at no charge thanks to a resident volunteer Beverly Shores fire fighter who is repurposing it on his farm.

Steve Coughlin reported that KB Electric completed electrical repairs at Rebora on June 11, 2025. Three new CFCI outlets were installed. Final T&M cost was \$541.88.

Steve Coughlin reported that, to improve lily pad abatement at Lituanica Park Pond, Lake & Pond Biologists recommended a granular type of lily pad treatment this year in place of the standard liquid treatment. Additional cost is \$250. 00. Steve Coughlin motioned to approve spending \$250.00 for a granular lily pad treatment; seconded by Tom Abrahamson. Approved 5-0.

Steve Coughlin led a discussion about adding roof braces to the Rebora Pavilion. The Beverly Shores Building Commissioner recommended roof bracing to strengthen the pavilion's wind load capacity. Steve Coughlin motioned to approve spending up to \$300.00 for roof braces; seconded by Tom Abrahamson. Approved 5-0.

6. New Business

Susan Loeb led a discussion about the resumption of boat storage at Derby and Rebora beaches. Susan read a prepared letter to the Town Council in which the Parks Committee recommends (20) boat storage permits at Derby and (12) at Rebora be sold to residents on a first-come, first-serve basis. Boats storage at Derby would be on the sand. Kayak storage at Rebora would be on a new wooden kayak rack that the Town would have to purchase.

Paula Tillman motioned to approve the prepared letter to the Town Council; seconded by Andre Daugavietis. Approved 5-0.

7. Public Comment

The following residents spoke in favor of the resumption of boat storage at Derby and Rebora beaches.

Steve Kuschel
Larry Stanton
Mike Conners
David Ruzic

8. Written Comments

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Susan Loeb shared a written comment from John Rapisarda about adding beach access stairs at Merrivale. Susan explained that the Merrivale beach is not Town property.

9. Committee Comments

Paula Tillman asked the status of EZ Steps at Derby. Susan Loeb explained that the Town Council has not acted on that Parks Committee recommendation.

Ellen Hunt announced that she would not be able to attend the Parks Committee's August 11, 2025 meeting. Candice Peterson-Smith agreed to sit in for Ellen and run the Google Meets app.

Steve Coughlin reported on refurbishing the Lituanica Park flagpole. Three contractors were reached out to. One can repair for \$465.00. One can replace it for about \$4000.00. One no-bid. No action taken.

10. Adjournment

At 8:51pm CT Tom Abrahamson motioned to adjourn; seconded by Andre Daugavietis.
Approved 5-0.

Respectively submitted:

Stephen Coughlin
Secretary
Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

Approved:

Susan Loeb
Chair
Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee