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BOSTON, MARCH 22, 1913

The board of park and recreation commissioners, created under the provisions of chapter 10 of the ordinances of 1912, held its first meeting at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M., D. Henry Sullivan appointed chairman by the mayor presiding. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley; also present Messrs. Shea and Putnam.

A certificate from the city clerk, that all the members of the board, appointed by the mayor and approved by the civil service commission, had qualified according to law, was received.

The question of appointing a secretary being put, Mr. Sullivan voted for George F. Clarke, Mr. Peabody voted for George F. Clarke, Mr. Coakley voted for George F. Clarke.

VOTED, that the chairman be authorized to approve drafts and bills, and to sign contracts on behalf of the board.

VOTED, that Mr. Peabody be chairman pro tem., and be authorized to approve drafts and bills in the absence of the chairman.

VOTED, that in the absence of the chairman and chairman pro tem., Mr. Coakley act as chairman pro tem., and be authorized to approve drafts and bills.

VOTED, that Mr. Peabody be requested to continue to visit the parks and make recommendations in reference to the work until committees are appointed.

VOTED, to appoint James B. Shea to the position of deputy commissioner of the park division, and that the civil service commissioners be asked to assent to the appointment.

Mr. Shea submitted a report recommending that the request of Mr. Benson for authority to purchase two bears, at a cost of \$250.00, be approved; and it was so voted.

Mr. Shea submitted the engineer's estimate of the cost of changing the grades of Columbia Road at intersecting streets, so as to avoid the danger due to the elevation of the outer rail on curves of the surface car tracks, which was placed on file.

A communication was received from Edmund T. Stewart, regarding the purchase of land at the corner of Huntington avenue and Riverway, by the City and Suburban Associates, inquiring regarding restrictions as to the use of said land for building purposes; and the secretary was instructed to reply.

An order of the city council transferring \$6000. from the reserve fund to an appropriation for the Parkman House repairs and furnishings, was received and placed on file.

An order of the city council, referred by the mayor for report as to the feasibility of providing quarters in the Parkman House for Roger Wolcott Camp

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No. 23. U. S. W. V., was received and the chairman was instructed to reply.

An order of the city council, requesting that a clock be placed at Wood Island Park, was received and laid over.

Executive circular No. 47, allowing a half-holiday on Evacuation Day, March 17, to all employees participating in the parade, was received and placed on file.

A communication from Mrs. Jennie W. Robbins, regarding an electric light pole on Woodland avenue, Savin Hill, was received, and the secretary was instructed to send Mr. Putnam's report to her.

An estimate on the cost of tree planting on Beacon street, from the Brookline boundary to the end of the Reservoir car line, amounting to \$1430.00 was received from Mr. Shea, and the matter was laid over until money is provided.

Special draft as recorded in special draft book was passed.

A communication was received from John D. Adams, Director-in-charge of the Lincoln House, East Boston, requesting that trees be planted in front of the house on Emerald street, pledging cooperation in the prevention of injury to the trees, was received and laid over.

A communication was received from J. F. Hathaway, of the White Motor Car Company, requesting the extension of bridle paths to the vicinity of the Zoo in Franklin Park, and referred to Mr. Shurtleff and Mr. Shea to look into the matter and report.

Reports and plans from Mr. Shurtleff for planting at the flying cage and the borders of the duck pond and fencing the latter, also planting poplars to screen the bird house were received, and Mr. Shea was instructed to make preparations for planting poplars as suggested by Mr. Shurtleff and extend the oak plantation.

*Geo. F. Clarke*  
*Secretary*

BOSTON, MARCH 29, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley, also Deputy Commissioner Shea and Engineer Putnam. The records of the preceding meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Shea's weekly report was read and placed on file.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the planting of trees at the corner of Newbury and Dartmouth streets, with Mr. Putnam's estimate of cost; and the secretary was instructed to reply to the Boston Art Club accordingly.



Communications from the civil service commission approving the transfer of George F. Clarke from the position of secretary of the park commission to the same position under the board of park and recreation commissioners; also relative to Mr. Shea's appointment to the position of deputy commissioner of the park division, were read and placed on file.

Replies of the Boston Athletic Association, Francis E. North, Secretary Playground and Recreation Association of America, and acknowledgment from the United Improvement Association to the request of the board for suggestions and names for the head of the recreation division, were read and placed on file.

A communication from the civil service commission requesting a full statement relative to the bills of E. B. Mero and the municipal athletic association was received, and the secretary was instructed to furnish the information wanted.

On report of Mr. Shea, recommending the employment of two gangs of laborers on a percentage basis, for a period of one month during planting season, it was

VOTED, to authorize the deputy commissioner to make a contract to employ the men as he recommends.

On report of Mr. Shea it was VOTED, to authorize him to purchase two new steel tanks for oil carts.

A communication from D. F. Doherty, informing the board that the Harvard Improvement Association had voted to ask the board to install a clock on Franklin Field, was received and referred to Mr. Shea.

On request of James Doherty to transfer his carriage stand, at the northwest corner of Commonwealth avenue and Clarendon street, to Timothy MacAuliffe, it was

VOTED, that Timothy MacAuliffe be permitted to stand, with one horse and coupé, at the northwest corner of Commonwealth avenue and Clarendon street, until further notice.

On request of William Berry, to transfer his carriage stand at the southeast corner of Commonwealth avenue and Berkeley street to James Morrison, it was

VOTED, that James Morrison be permitted to stand, with one horse and coupé, at the southeast corner of Commonwealth avenue and Berkeley street, until further notice.

The secretary called attention to the proposition from the Boston & Maine Railroad with reference to acquiring from Charlestown Heights Park a strip five feet wide, to widen the railroad location, and stated that the railroad would put the proposition in writing.

The following bids received March 28, for building a sanitary on Prince-street Playground, were considered, and the matter was referred to Mr. Shea to

confer with Mr. Ripley in regard to changing details of the plan to reduce the cost.

SANITARY BUILDING PRINCE-STREET PLAYGROUND

	<u>Wood &amp; Asphalt floors</u>	<u>Concrete Wood &amp; Terazzo Floors</u>
John F. Griffin Company	\$4 798 00	\$4 910 00
M. F. MacDonald & Son	5 280 00	_____
Hapgood, Frost & Company	5 398 00	5 525 00
Archdeacon & Sullivan	5 643 00	5 681 00
Louis B. Cadario	5 690 00	5 871 00
J. E. Locatelli Company Inc.	6 175 00	6 450 00
Hodges & Rouse	6 432 00	6 532 00
John J. Flynn	6 775 00	6 968 00
W. A. Murtfeldt Company	6 669 00	6 965 00
Fred E. Bowes	8 313 20	8 505 20

A letter was received from Mr. Austin, submitting an estimate from the Tiffany Studios for the two bronze tablets proposed for the aquarium and bird house, and the matter was laid over.

Mr. Peabody presented the estimate of John Evans & Company for making the cement arch, showing keystone and arch blocks, for the duck pond, for \$60.00, and the estimate was accepted.

Mr. Shea submitted Mr. Putnam's estimate for changes at the refectory, to accommodate golfers, and making new putting greens, which was placed on file.

The secretary was instructed to write to the school committee, that the board wishes it to co-operate in the use of playgrounds on the same basis as last year..

VOTED, to build the elk yards, in accordance with Mr Shurtleff's recommendation.

*Geo. F. Blake*  
*Secretary*

BOSTON, APRIL 5, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley; also present Deputy Commissioner Shea and Engineer Putnam.

Mr. Shea's report of operations for the week ending March 29 was read and approved.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the request of the Boston Athletic Association to use Commonwealth avenue, from Beacon street to Exeter street, for the Marathon Race, was received; and it was

VOTED, to give the Boston Athletic Association permission for the Marathon Race on Patriot's Day, April 19, to go through Commonwealth avenue in the vicinity of Hotel Somerset to the clubhouse of the Boston Athletic Association on Exeter street, with the understanding that the athletic association will guarantee to carry out the same conditions that were required last year in regard to the roping off of the avenue between Massachusetts<sup>ville</sup> and a point half-way between Exeter and Dartmouth streets, and policing the same with seventy-five additional officers; the expense of said roping and policing, together with any damage that may be done to the property of the city to be paid for by the Boston Athletic Association.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on a request that Mt. Ida playground be named "Ronan Playground;" and it was

VOTED, to retain the name Mt. Ida Playground.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the application of C. E. Brown for position in charge of the bird exhibit, which was laid over.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the communication received through the mayor's office, from the International Association of Machinists, requesting a raise in pay of machinists, which was placed on file.

A communication was received from John C. Phillips, accepting an appointment on the board of advisors on the zoo and aquarium.

Executive circular No. 48, regarding Saturday half-holiday, was received and referred to Mr. Shea.

A communication was received from E. B. Mero, Secretary of the Municipal Athletic Association, expressing a willingness to carry on the work conducted last year, requesting co-operation of the board in writing; and the matter was laid over.

A communication from the United Improvement Association., declining to submit names for deputy commissioner of recreation, also a communication from the International Young Men's Christian Association, giving a list of names for said position, were received and placed on file.

The application of Steve Farrell, for position of playground instructor, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the mayor's secretary, enclosing a letter from Congressman Curley, in behalf of Hannah Sweeney, employed at North End Park, was received and placed on file.

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The applications of Lillian Hartwell, for a position as matron, received - through the mayor's office, of Alfred L. Gundersen for position requiring botanical knowledge, of Reka L. Graves for tearoom concession at Jamaica Pond building, and of James L. Mulcahy for concession for refreshment stand adjoining the aquarium, were received and placed on file.

The application of George C. Fitzpatrick for boating concession to Governor's and Castle islands, from Driscoll's landing on Atlantic avenue, also from South Boston to Governor's Island, and from Wood Island Park to Governor's Island and Castle Island, was received and laid on the table.

A communication from Mr. Austin, regarding allowance for carving in Carroll's contract and extra work at the bird house was received; and it was

VOTED, to instruct Mr. Austin to make orders accordingly.

A communication from H. G. Ripley regarding the sanitary building at Prince-street Playground was received, and the matter was laid over.

A sketch for park and recreation uniform buttons from Waterbury Button Company was approved.

A communication through the mayor's office from S. A. Starratt, requesting assistance in farm school work of the Elihu Greenwood School, Hyde Park, also a communication from the school, expressing appreciation of the hockey rink laid out in Grew's field, were received and placed on file.

A communication from the committee on the Castle Island open-air school for anaemic children, requesting assistance in financing this work, was received, and it was

VOTED, to offer them the same facilities as last year.

A communication from the Jamaica Plain Neighborhood House Association, requesting permission to remove personal property from the Carolina avenue house, was received and it was

VOTED, to grant the request.

A communication from F. R. North, through the mayor's office, announcing classes for recreation workers, April 29 to May 6, was received and placed on file.

A communication from Representative Tague, regarding conditions at Mystic Playground, also from Rev. J. J. Brennan, received through the mayor, were laid over.

A communication from P. M. MacDonald, regarding broken windows from ball playing on Massachusetts avenue, was received and referred to Mr. Shea.

A communication from Peter Bisset, Plant Introducer in charge of foreign plant distribution, United States Department of Agriculture, stating that a number of plants have been sent by franked mail, was received and placed on file.

A communication was received from Joshua Atwood 3rd, regarding a tree in the path of construction work at Barrymore street on Blue Hill avenue; and the matter was referred to Mr. Shea.

A sketch was received from Mr. Ripley for a typical booth for parks and boulevards, and the matter was referred to Mr. Peabody with authority to instruct Mr. Ripley to make plans and details.

Special drafts as recorded in special draft book were passed.

VOTED, to request the city treasurer to pay to Hannah Murray, widow of Alexander J. Murray, the amount due him on the payrolls of this department.

A proposition from J. H. Mc Alman, to allow five hundred dollars for a Columbia Car in exchange for a 1913 Stearns-Knight car, was received together with a report from Mr. Shea, and the chairman was instructed to ask the mayor to authorize the exchange.

Mr. Shea submitted a report recommending the purchase of additional spraying apparatus, and the matter was referred to the chairman with full power.

Mr. Shea's report on request of John J. Tierney, for two weeks' absence, without loss of pay, due to illness caused by the nature of his work at the aquarium, was referred to the secretary.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the proposed arrangement with the Boston and Maine Railroad at Charlestown Heights, recommending the acceptance of its offer to buy land and pay for additional construction work necessitated thereby, which was placed on file.

The following proposals for roof over the grandstand, Franklin Field Speedway, were received:

M. F. MacDonald and Son	\$272 00
Wilbur J. Hatch	325 00
Peter F. Lamont	362 00
John J. Flynn	686 00

and it was

VOTED, to accept the lowest bid.

A hearing was given to John J. Flanagan, on notice of recommendation for discharge. Mr. Mowbray was present and submitted charges against Flanagan in writing. Mr. Flanagan made statements denying any intention of wrong doing and advanced extenuating considerations. The matter was taken under advisement, and, subsequently was referred to Mr. Shea and Mr. Mowbray for further investigation.

*Geo. F. Belarke*  
*Secretary*

BOSTON, APRIL 12, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at its office at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan and Coakley, Mr. Peabody being absent from the city; also present Messrs. Shea and Putnam. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the purchase of animals and birds; and it was VOTED, to approve the purchase of aquatic birds to the amount of \$250.00, and fantails to the amount of \$15.00.

A proposal for wire fences in Franklin Park for elk ranges, etc., at \$1.17 per linear foot, was received from W. A. Snow Iron Works; also proposals for concrete floor of duck pond, as follows:

J. C. Coleman & Sons Company	\$2090.00
John F. Griffin Company	2484 00
Pennsylvania Tile & Construction Co.	2568 00
Warren Brothers	2880 00
H. P. Converse	7200 00

and it was

VOTED, to ask the mayor for authority to let the contracts without advertising.

A communication from the finance commission, requesting data on horses sold and purchased, from February 1, 1911 to date, was received and referred to the secretary to transmit the information to the finance commission.

A license from the directors of the port of Boston to fill solid at Marine Park was received.

A petition for the improvement of Tenean Beach, and sketch of proposed Pope Hill Reservation Park, were received from the mayor's office and referred to Mr. Putnam for an estimate.

A communication from the civil service commission certifying James B. Shea as deputy commissioner of the park division was received, and the secretary was instructed to notify said commission of the appointment of Mr. Shea.

A communication from the civil service commission, approving bills of E.B. Mero and the municipal athletic association, was received and special drafts voted.

Special drafts as recorded in the special draft book were passed.

Adjourned to April 23 at 4.15 P.M.

*Geo. F. Kelarke*  
Secretary

BOSTON, APRIL 23, 1913

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 4.15 P.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley, also present Messrs. Shea and Putnam.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the petition received through the mayor's office, protesting against injury to property from ball playing at John Winthrop playground, which was placed on file.

A communication from John M. Casey, license clerk, mayor's office, requesting decision as to permits for open-air meetings on Boston Common, Sundays, was received; and it was

VOTED, to take no action.

The mayor's approvals to the award of contracts, without advertising, for concrete floor in duck pond to J. C. Coleman & Sons Company; wire fence for elk and bison ranges to W. A. Snow Iron Works; and four spraying machines to the FitzHenry-Guptill Company were received; and it was

VOTED, to reduce the latter contract to one machine and award the contracts as authorized.

A communication from S. L. Durkee, permit clerk public works department, inquiring as to contemplated changes in ordinances relating to the construction of granolithic walks, was received and referred to Mr. Putnam

A consolidated list of employees, as called for by the mayor's circular No. 49, was laid before the board.

Mayor's circular No. 50, directing heads of departments to give leave of absence, without loss of pay, to members of the United Spanish War Veterans, Grand Army of the Republic, and Massachusetts Veteran Militia, on the days of the annual encampment, was received; and it was

VOTED, to grant such leave of absence on request.

A communication from assistant secretary Edward E. Moore, transmitting letter and outline for proposed playground on Winthrop, Moreland and Fairland sts., Ward 21, was received and placed on file.

A communication from Thomas L. Hayes, offering a piece of land corner of Oakland and Bismarck streets, free of expense for one year, for playground purposes, with condition that he be notified of acceptance or refusal on or before April 28, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from the children's welfare league of Roxbury, requesting that a playground on Bartlett street, Roxbury, be put in better shape for playground purposes, was received and referred to Mr. Shea for report.

A communication from J. G. Pinkham, offering to sell land corner Melville avenue and Bornside street, Dorchester, was received and placed on file.

A communication from E. B. Mero, requesting a conference regarding playground activities, was received and referred to the chairman.

A communication was received through Hugh C. McGrath, regarding the advisability of requesting the school department to allow the free use of the Copley school showers, and the secretary was instructed to make the request to the school committee.

VOTED, to authorize Hugh C. McGrath to attend the convention of officials of the American association of hygiene and public baths, at Baltimore, May 13, 14 & 15, 1913.

On the communication from the United Spanish War Veterans, requesting the use of grounds at Fort Independence for a military field mass meeting May 25, it was

VOTED, that permission be given to the Boston Council United Spanish War Veterans to hold a military service at Fort Independence on Sunday forenoon, May 25.

A quotation on furniture for the first floor office, from the Macey-Stetson Morris Company, was received and approved.

Mr. Putnam's report on bids received for the shelters on Copp's Hill Terraces was referred to Mr. Peabody.

A proposal of Thomas J. Shea Company for grading and planting work was received and accepted.

A communication from the international union steam engineers, regarding the pay of aquarium engineers, was received and taken under advisement.

The chairman was authorized to sign the usual applications for special police powers for playground keepers and others.

An offer of Smith and Lovett, of one hundred dollars, for miscellaneous junk at the Williams Farm, West Roxbury, was received and referred to the chairman.

A request of residents in the vicinity of Mt. Ida for a man in charge of the ball grounds Saturday afternoon and holidays, was referred to the deputy commissioner to do so.

A communication from the Swift Contracting Company, stating that buildings purchased at public auction, January 29, in the Charlestown district, have been entered and damaged, and claiming compensation, was received and the secretary was instructed to refer the letter to the corporation counsel.

A communication from Dr. A. T. Dahrymple, complaining of odors from the dump on the Strandway Playground, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from Arthur B. Harrington, requesting permission to purchase a fence on the site of the Ward 5 playground, was received and referred to Mr. Shea for report.

A communication from the mayor's assistant secretary, requesting a report on complaint about the condition of the city lot at the corner of Mansfield and Cambridge streets, Brighton, was received and referred to Mr. Shea.



A schedule of band concerts, submitted by Mr. Finigan, with recommendations as to the engagement of bands, was considered; and it was

VOTED, to ask proposals from a number of bands.

Special drafts as recorded in the special draft books were passed.

City council orders in regard to planting shade trees in Washington and Union streets, Charlestown, and in Old Colony avenue, also request for estimate of cost of a floating wading pool at Jeffries Point, were received and referred to Mr. Shea for report.

A communication from Mayor Fitzgerald, enclosing petition of M.J. Pedding, for position as supervisor of playgrounds, was received and placed on file.

A petition from a ward 24 committee, in regard to laying out a ball ground in Dorchester Park, was received from the mayor and referred to Mr. Shea.

A communication from the mayor, requesting, in behalf of owners of horses, that the Fenway roads be sanded, was received and referred to Mr. Shea.

A communication from Mr. Benson, with attached bill for birds and animals, was received and referred to Mr. Shea for report.

A request of the West Roxbury women's club for the use of Billings Field, May 3, for burning papers gathered by boys, was received; and it was

VOTED, to grant the request.

Proposals for removing and teaming plank walks from parks and squares were received as follows:

James Holland	\$660.00
Patrick Docley	687.50
Coleman Brothers	725.00

and it was

VOTED, to accept the lowest bid.

A request of Mr. Rourke for the transfer of James F. Reynolds from the public grounds division for work in his department was approved. The board also authorized the chairman to agree to the transfer of thirty-five or forty other men, if the civil service commissioners will approve the transfer.

City council orders transferring \$1000.00 from the reserve fund to Roslindale Playground additional land, also appropriating from the income of the Parkman Fund \$10,000.00 for the zoological garden and aquarium, and \$50,000.00 for the Common and Public Garden Irrigation System, were received and placed on file.

VOTED, to request the street commissioners to take for an addition to Roslindale Playground, the vacant lot of land adjoining said playground on South Fairview street, containing about 5075 square feet.

VOTED, that St. Columbkil Church be permitted to hold a field day at Rogers Park on June 21.

VOTED, that St. Anthony's parish be permitted to hold a field day at North Brighton Playground on June 14.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the request of J. P. Nickerson, received from the mayor, that land on Hyde Park avenue belonging to the trustees of Harvard University be equipped with children's corner, etc., and the secretary was instructed to send a copy of the report to Mr. Nickerson.

Estimates for playground construction were considered and referred to the chairman to confer on the same with the mayor and city council.

A request of Fred S. Gore, Commissioner Penal Institutions Department, for information regarding suitable trees for Deer Island, was received and referred to Mr. Shea,

A communication from the Boston Transit Commission, regarding treatment of the subway shaft in the Fens, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the mayor, regarding the appointment of a committee to determine the location of Ward 19 playground, and report of said committee, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the playground and recreation association to attend the recreation congress at Richmond, Virginia, May 6 to 10, was received and placed on file.

Notice of a permit issued to the Salvation Army, to use the bandstand on the Common for a band concert April 19, 1913, was received from the mayor's office and placed on file.

A communication from George L. Ware, forwarded from the mayor's office, regarding conditions at Savin Hill Playground, was received and referred to Mr. Shea.

A communication from S. A. Starratt, President of the Summer School of Science, requesting co-operation in preparation, care and oversight of the school farm near Elihu Greenwood School, Hyde Park, was received and referred to the school committee.

Executive Circular No. 49, respecting the annual list of officials and employees was received, and the secretary reported the list as ready for publication.

A communication from the police commissioner regarding arrangements for the marathon run was received and placed on file.

A report from Mr. Shea recommending arrangements with daily papers regarding information to the public in relation to matters of interest, also communication from H. C. McGrath, with copy of communication sent to the high school teams in relation to Franklin Field stadium, were received and placed on file.

*Geo. F. Belarke*  
Secretary

BOSTON, MAY 3, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley, also present Messrs. Shea and Putnam. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Shea submitted a report relative to improvements at Tyler-street playground, and Mr. Peabody was authorized to consult Mr. Shurtleff and Mr. Ripley with regard to a plan for improvements.

City council orders, making appropriations as follows: Orient Heights Playground improvements \$2500.00, Mystic Playground improvements \$4500.00, Boston Common Monumental tablet \$1000.00, and park and recreation department \$35000.00, were received and placed on file.

A communication from the school committee approving the plan for supervision of playgrounds and services of Mr. Young and Dr. Harrington, as put in force last year, was received. A conference with Dr. Harrington was held, with reference to the conditions under which the school committee would continue this work, and an agreement was arrived at, which included thirteen indoor gymnasium instructors to be put in charge of outdoor playgrounds, together with Mr. Walsh, supervisor of gymnasiums; Mr. Higgins instructor at the Paris-street gymnasium to look after the bulletin and playleaders to be engaged for the smaller playgrounds.

On a report of Mr. Finigan on proposals for band concerts, it was VOTED, to request the mayor for authority to contract with Theron D. Perkins for a series of concerts.

A communication from the Swift Contracting Company, relative to the removal of buildings on Ward 5 Playground and damage to said property, was received and referred to Mr. Putnam to confer with Corporation Counsel Corbett.

The application of R. G. Stowell for concession at Jamaica Pond was received and laid over.

A communication from Thomas L. Hayes, granting permission for the use of his land in the Mattapan district for a playground, without restrictions or conditions, was received and placed on file.

A request of the Boston Work-horse Parade Association for the use of Commonwealth avenue, for Memorial Day parade, was received and permission granted on the same conditions as formerly.

A proposal of the White Company for open body for closed car, at a cost of \$400.00, was accepted.

A request of the Journeymen Horseshoers International Union 5, for attention to the union scale of wages, was received and placed on file.

Communications from Brandeis, Dunbar and Nutter, and from the city clerk, regarding claims against Carroll Construction Company, were read and placed on file.

Notice of a permit to the Industrial Union of Textile Workers of America to hold a mass meeting on Boston Common, May 4, issued by the mayor, was received and placed on file.

Special drafts as recorded in special draft book were passed.

A communication from C. F. Read, Secretary of the Bostonian Society, accepting the duty of suggesting names for new playgrounds, was received and placed on file.

X A report of Mr. McGrath on the question of the working hours of the men in the bathhouses, with special reference to Mondays and Tuesdays, and his conference with a delegation from the bath employees' union in regard to it, also report of Mr. McGrath on the necessity of installing a filtering plant at Cabot-street swimming pool, were received and laid over.

A request of the Boston Elevated Railway Company to lay tracks on Commonwealth avenue, from the subway entrance to Beacon street and Brookline avenue, and alterations of existing double tracks and additional double tracks, was received and referred to Mr. Putnam.

Plans for sewers and surface drains in West Roxbury Parkway, submitted by the sewer division of the public works department, were considered; and it was

VOTED, to issue a permit for so much of the work as it is intended to do at present.

A plan for a concrete conduit in Neponset Playground was received from the public works department; and it was

VOTED, to authorize the public works department to construct a concrete conduit in Neponset Playground, from the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad to Neponset avenue, as shown on a plan of the same dated March 27, 1912.

*Geo. F. Clarke*  
*Secretary*

BOSTON, MAY 10, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley, also Deputy Commissioner Shea and Engineer Putnam. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

A report from Mr. Finigan, giving a schedule of Sunday concerts and proposed

- distribution of same, was received and referred to the chairman.

A communication from the school committee, in reply to the request for the transfer of control of 69 feet of land of the Paul Revere school lot, for the erection of a sanitary building, was received and the matter was referred to Mr. Peabody to confer with Mr. Corcoran of the school committee.

A communication from the school committee, in reply to a request for the free use of the shower baths in the Copley schoolhouse, was received and placed on file.

VOTED, to authorize Mr. Benson to arrange with Horace Taylor for painting placards of birds and animals for the zoo.

The secretary was authorized to issue permits for Governor's Island the same as last year.

VOTED, to approve the settlement of the claim of James D. Edgeworth for compensation for injuries received.

A communication from John J. Lydon, referred by the acting mayor for report, on the condition of Covington street and the need of shrubbery, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

A request of the Dahlgren Post No. 2, to conduct memorial services at City Point, was received, and it was

VOTED, that the Dahlgren Post No. 2 be permitted to conduct memorial services to soldiers and sailors dead, at Marine Park water front, on Memorial Day.

An order for a deduction of \$1300. from the contract with Carroll Construction Company was approved.

The estimate of John Evans and Company for models and wood patterns for ornamental iron work to cast from, etc., for the sum of \$775.00, was accepted.

The application of Ellen Donovan, 147 Albany street, to have a pushcart on Charles street for fruit and candy, was not approved.

A petition received through the mayor's office, from residents and property owners on Allen street, Ward 8, for shade trees, was received and referred to Mr. Shea.

A request of Dr. George B. Magrath, Medical Examiner, for official information in regard to licensing boats, with reference to the recent accident on Charles river basin, was received and the secretary was instructed to send him a copy of the lease of the boat service.

X A communication was received from the civil service commissioners, in reference to the designation of chief clerks of the former bath and music departments; and it was VOTED, to designate D. J. Byrne as accountant, and Walter L. Finigan as clerk.

VOTED, that James B. Shea be acting deputy commissioner of recreation pending the appointment of a deputy commissioner.

A communication was received from William D. Austin, stating that the prosecution of the work at the bird house has been and is greatly delayed, because of the contractors' financial inability, suggesting the abrogation of the contract and the making of a new contract with the surety company to complete the building, for a sum amounting to the difference between the contract price and the value of work done and materials furnished to date, or \$18,311.43, and recommending, that, because of the unsatisfactory manner in which the general contractor is carrying on the work, the city, acting under the provisions of article 6 of the contract, take possession of the work and complete the same in accordance with his suggestions.

A communication from assistant corporation counsel, George A. Flynn, stating the facts in the case, was received; and it was

VOTED, that, the architect having notified the board that the contract with the Carroll Construction Company, for erecting a winter bird house at Franklin Park, is not being carried on to his satisfaction, therefore, the board, acting under article 6 of the contract, hereby takes possession of the work, and notifies the Fidelity and Casualty Company of New York, the surety under the contract, to complete the same in accordance with the conditions of the bond.

A communication was sent to the acting mayor, requesting authority to award the contract to the surety company without advertising.

Special drafts as recorded in special draft books were passed.

*Geo. F. Clarke*  
Secretary

BOSTON, MAY 17, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley; also present Messrs. Shea and Putnam. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Shea's report of operations for the week ending May 10, 1913 was received and placed on file.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the communication of the National Federation of State, City and Town Employees' Union, petitioning for increase in wages of men operating spraying machines; and it was

VOTED, to pay \$2.75 per day for all men operating spraying machines.

A communication from the mayor, requesting a statement regarding the cost, fea-

sibility, and importance of suggestions offered at various town meetings, was received and referred to the deputy commissioner and engineer of the board.

Communications from E. B. Mero, suggesting the publication of a recreation bulletin as a private enterprise, the department paying a certain sum and using it as a publicity agency; also requesting certain specific assistance in the preparation and publication of a guide book of parks and recreation facilities, were received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from E. B. Mero, requesting co-operation in conducting a hand-ball tournament on open-air courts in the playgrounds, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

X A communication was received from the Bath Department Union Local No. 310, requesting a hearing before the full board, regarding unsettled conditions now existing, looking to a more harmonious feeling and increased efficiency; and it was

VOTED, that any grievances the employees may have shall be taken up by the chairman, who has full authority to act.

On the application of John M. Dean to construct a carriage entrance ten feet wide, at 1789 Commonwealth avenue, it was

VOTED, to approve the plan and to authorize the secretary to issue a permit.

An opinion from Corporation Counsel J. J. Corbett, as to the power and authority of the board to award the contract for soil work on Boston Common to the lowest bidder, where all the bidders failed in some particular to comply with directions as to samples, was received; and it was

VOTED, to award the contract to James H. Fannon, the lowest bidder.

A communication from H. G. Nickerson, calling attention to a proposal made a few years ago, offering 200,000 feet of land for \$60,000.00, belonging to E. N. Foss, was received and placed on file.

X A communication was received from the school committee, relative to the employment of instructors now in the employment of the school committee; and it was

VOTED, to take them over for the summer season.

Communications from James J. English and Jean P. Nickerson, Parents Association of the Francis Parkman School, requesting assistance in equipping a playground on land of Harvard College, were received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

Proposals for towing bathhouses were received as follows:

J. P. O'Riorden	\$395.00
N. P. Doane	450.00

and it was

VOTED, to accept the bid of J. P. O'Riorden

X A report of Mr. McGrath on the number of trunks and bathing suits required for the season of 1913, was received, and the secretary was instructed to advertise for proposals

Special drafts as recorded in the special draft books were passed.

A petition that the park in Union Park, between Shawmut avenue and Tremont street, be opened to the public was read and placed on file.

The schedule of band concerts for the season of 1913 was referred to the secretary.

A communication from Mayor Fitzgerald, requesting a report on the possibility of providing a children's playground in the Fenway, and flagging a part of the Fenway so that children can use their roller skates on it, in response to a letter from Charles S. Hamlin, was received and referred to Mr. Shea for report.

A communication from Mayor Fitzgerald, enclosing a letter from Mrs. E. M. Andrews, President Boston Council Jewish Women, regarding a ball field for small children in the West End, was received and referred to Mr. Shea for report.

A communication from the Boston Elevated Railway Company's real estate agent, stating that the executive committee of the Boston Elevated Railway Company had voted to tender the free use of vacant land on Bartlett street for a children's playground, under the auspices of the Children's Welfare League of Roxbury, was received and the secretary was instructed to communicate with Mrs. Paddon, Secretary of the Children's Welfare League.

Mr. Putnam was instructed to view the buildings being constructed by Snider and Rudnick in the Fens, to see whether the cost of constructing them will be up to the restrictions regarding apartment houses.

VOTED, to amend the record of September 4, 1912 discharging Michael J. Tuohy and Andrew B. Morrissey, so that said record as amended shall read as follows:

VOTED, to suspend Michael J. Tuohy and Andrew B. Morrissey, for the reasons stated in the notice previously sent to them.

*Geo. F. Clarke*  
*Secretary*

BOSTON, MAY 24, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan and Peabody; also present Messrs. Shea and Putnam. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on complaint of Samuel H. Sullivan, that apparatus on the Strandway Playground is left out at night and used by hoodlums, and Mr. Shea was instructed to answer.



Mr. Shea submitted a report on the request of T. J. Tabor, President Mattapan Citizens' Association, that the lot known as Rugby Park, in the Mattapan District, be leased for a playground, recommending that the Jones lot, so-called, be secured if possible; and the secretary was instructed to see if Mr. Jones will lease it.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the request of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company, to attach wires to tvc trees on Beech Glen street, Roxbury; and it was

VOTED, not to grant the request.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on a communication from Mr. Dorr of the public works department, regarding inlet and catch-basins on Commonwealth avenue, stating that the matter will be attended to as soon as possible

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the complaint of James E. Carroll, in regard to danger to children on Sturgis Road, from ball playing at Billings Field, and Mr. Shea was instructed to see what can be done until drainage is installed, which will permit a relocation of the diamonds.

Mr. Shea submitted a report from Mr Benson regarding fatality to flamingos, etc., which was placed on file.

On Mr. Shea's recommendation it was

VOTED, to employ St. George Tucker in caring for tropical fish at the Aquarium, if the civil service commission will authorize it.

VOTED, to approve the bill of Hugh Hawn Contracting Company for hauling loam from Charlesgate East on the subway work.

Mr. Shea submitted a report, recommending the placing of certain members of the force on an annual basis; and it was

VOTED, that the following employees of the park and recreation department be employed on an annual basis at their present rate of compensation.

Thomas F. Walsh	Driver and Messenger
Katherine M. Fitzgerald	Clerk
Gertrude F. Reagan	Stenographer
Margaret M. Maguire	Telephone operator
Emma E. Watson	" "
Agnes C. Cronin	" "
Anna C. Pflieger	" "
James H. Dillon	Transitman
Charles J. O'Donnell	"
Thomas J. Godvin	Rodman
Roy N. Hallowell	"
John J. Murphy	"

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the letter of W. Thatcher Hollis, Director Allston Development Association, relative to the use of land at the corner of Mansfield, Cambridge and Lincoln streets, Allston; and it was

VOTED, to recommend to the mayor the sale of the property, in exchange for land adjoining Portsmouth-street Playground.

City Council orders appropriating one hundred thousand dollars for the completion of John Winthrop, Paris-street, Portsmouth-street, Rutherford avenue,

Carolina-avenue, Norfolk-street and Mt. Ida playgrounds; also sixteen thousand dollars for bathhouse at Wood Island Park, were received and placed on file.

A communication was received from the neighborhood committee, requesting that Columbus-avenue playground be kept open evenings, well-lighted and thoroughly supervised; and it was

VOTED, to authorize Mr. Shea to try the experiment.

A communication was received from John F. Dever, Director Public Celebrations, requesting that baseball diamond on Franklin Field be placed at his disposal, as well as other playgrounds in the Dorchester District on Dorchester Day; and the matter was referred to Mr. Shea.

A communication from Hugh C. McGrath, calling attention to the advisability of renewing yearly contracts for the rental of Tenean Beach, Neponset, and Border-st beach, East Boston, was received and referred to Mr. Shea for report.

Communications from Herbert H. Flagg and M. D. Newman, protesting against opening Union Park to the public, were received.

A list of permits granted by the mayor to newsboys on the Common were received and placed on file.

A permit granted by the mayor to Joseph C. Ball, to conduct religious services on the Common on Sundays, 1913, was received and placed on file.

VOTED, that the city treasurer be requested to pay to Annie Jewett, administratrix of estate of John F. Swank, the amount due said John F. Swank, on payrolls April 10 and 17, 1913.

Mr. Putnam's report on the request of the Boston Elevated Railway Company, for approval of plan for location of track at the junction of Commonwealth avenue and Beacon street, was referred to Mr. Peabody.

Mr. Putnam's report on the unsold structures at Ward 5 Playground was referred to Mr. Peabody.

Mr. Shea's report on the order of the city council, requesting this department to confer with the metropolitan park commission, with a view to obtaining the use of the land adjoining Charlesbank and near the gatehouse, for a ball field for small children, was received; and Mr. Shea was instructed to rearrange the gymnasium ground as he suggests if practicable.

The schedule of bandconcerts, as reported by Mr. Finigan, was agreed to.

Mr. Putnam submitted a report on the buildings in process of erection at 90 and 114 Fenway, and the secretary was instructed to write the builders for specifications.

Mr. Putnam's report on surface drain at Norfolk-street Playground was received; and it was

VOTED, to ask the commissioner of public works to extend the drain to the playground.

Mr. Putnam's report on the cost of retaining wall and strengthening the roof of the subway underneath the railroad at Charlestown Heights was received; and it was

VOTED, to ask the Boston and Maine Railroad Company to bear the extra expense.

The engineer was requested to report on the bids received for grading at Norfolk-street Playground.

Bids for bath towels were received as follows:

R. H. White Company	sample #1	\$0.96 $\frac{1}{2}$	per doz.
	" D	.72	" "
Houghton & Dutton		1.16	" "
Henry Gray	W.E. crash	.96	" "
	R.W.B. "	1.03	" "
Jordan Marsh Company		1.30	" "
Farley. Harvey & Company		1.12	" "
G. U. Thomas & Company	#129 crash	1.13	" "
Blodgett, Ordway & Webber	Homespun crash,	.08 $\frac{1}{2}$	" towel
	Bell-in-hand "	.07 $\frac{1}{4}$	" "
	#7030 brown linen "	.08	" "
	#7050 " " "	.08	" "

and it was

VOTED, to accept the proposal of R. H. White Company.

*Geo. F. Clarke*  
*Secretary*

BOSTON, JUNE 3, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 10.30 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan and Peabody, also present Deputy Commissioner Shea.

Special drafts as recorded in special draft book were passed.

Proposals for bathing suits received June 2 were considered as follows:

	10000 Men's Trunks	300 Men's 1-piece suits	700 girls one-piece suits
A.G. Spalding & Bros.	#1- \$2.00 per doz.		
	#2- 3.00 " "		
Henry Gray	Size #32- 1.70 " "		11.40 doz.
	" #34- 1.70 " "		
	" 35-42- 1.75 " "		
	" 48- 1.80 " "		
R. H. White Company	1.50 " "	Samp. #1- \$9.60 doz	#1- 18.00 doz (2pc)
		" #2- 10.50 "	#2- 12.00 " (no sample)
Columbia Bathing Suit Co.	#2 3.50 " "	" #3. 8.50 "	#5 8.50
		" #4. 8.50 "	#6 8.50

Columbia Bathing Suit Company also gave price for entire lot of suits as follows:

Samples 2,3,4&5	\$3,600.00;	samples 2,4&6	\$3,600.00
Men's and girls' one-piece suits,	samples denim	3 & 5	\$700.00
" " " " " " " surf		4 & 6	700.00

and the bid of R. H. White Company for men's trunks, and the Columbia Bathing Suit Company's bid for men's and girls' one-piece suits were accepted.

Mr. Putnam's report on the bids received for grading and drainage at Norfolk-street Playground, stating that A. Williams & Company are desirous of withdrawing their bid, owing to mistakes in the items for grubbing, drains, and water pipes, and recommending its rejection was received; and it was

VOTED, to reject A. Williams & Company's bid, and to award the contract to the second lowest bidder. The bids were as follows:

GRADING, DRAINAGE & WATER SUPPLY NORFOLK-ST PLAYGROUND

A Williams & Company	5,393 00
Peter Bompiani	6,447 00
Charles M. Callahan	6,582 50
Peter W. Hill	7 142 50
John McCourt & Co.	7 612.50
Daniel E. Lynch *	11,470 00
D. N. Biggs & Co.	12,075 00

\* Items as per bid left with city auditor. Bid left with Park and Recreation department a lump sum of \$11,720.00

A request from the director of public celebrations, asking that band stands be erected at various locations and ball diamonds be reserved for Dorchester Day celebration, was received; also a report from W.L. Finigan on the arrangements proposed for band concerts, which the mayor has requested the board to furnish, and the various matters were approved.

*Geo. F. Clarke*  
*Secretary*

BOSTON, JUNE 5, 1913

A special meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 10 A.M. Present. Messrs. Sullivan and Peabody, also present Deputy Commissioner Shea.

VOTED, to appoint Walter Camp Jr. deputy commissioner of recreation under the provisions of the ordinance creating the park and recreation department, and to ask

the civil service commissioners if he can be given a non-competitive examination. Subsequently, Mr. Coakley endorsed the appointment, making it unanimous.

*Geo. F. Belarke*  
Secretary

BOSTON, JUNE 7, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan and Peabody, also present Deputy Commissioner Shea and Engineer Putnam. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Shea submitted the engineer's report on Mr. Attridge's letter concerning conditions at North End Beach, which was placed on file.

The board voted, to reject the bids for the Copp's Hill shelter, and to instruct Mr. Ripley to change the plans and submit them to the board.

Mr. Shea submitted a report in regard to planting on various streets in South Boston, which was placed on file.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the letter of Dr. Harrington, enclosing a communication from Elizabeth Harrington, Secretary Neighborhood Committee of Roxbury, suggesting the vacant lot on the Whittier place for a playground.

Orders of the city council authorizing the transfer of the unexpended balance of the appropriation for Savin Hill Playground improvements to Savin Hill Beach, additional land, and the placing of the lot of land on Paul Gore street, Ward 22, containing 32,346 square feet, in the custody of the park and recreation department, for a neighborhood playground for small children, were received and placed on file.

A communication from the metropolitan park commission, in reply to the inquiry of the board regarding the number of lifeguards and average attendance at Revere and Nantasket beaches, was received and placed on file.

The request of J. M. Casey, for a report on permit to H. O. Davis to sell temperance drinks on the Common, was laid over.

A communication from Neil McNeil, regarding plans for a building and cost of suites, at 114 Fenway, was received and laid over.

A communication from the school committee, regarding the transfer of the control of about 60 square feet of the Paul Revere school lot to this department, for Prince-street playground sanitary building, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from the department of the interior, requesting a report as to the condition of the elk, was received and referred to Mr. Benson.

A report of H. C. McGrath on yearly basis for custodians was received and placed on file.

A petition of residents and real estate owners of Ward 19, for location of playground on the west side of Phillips street, was received and placed on file.

A special draft as recorded in the special draft book was passed.

VOTED, to allow the secretary three days' leave of absence, to attend commencement at John Hopkins University.

VOTED, that Emma W. Bunstead be appointed secretary pro tem., during the absence of the secretary.

The following list of proposed expenditures from the Parkman Fund was sent to the mayor.

Foundations and as much work as possible towards sanitary and shelter at Seaver-street Zoological entrance . . . . .	10,000 00
Animals and birds . . . . .	6,000 00
Paths, walks, etc. . . . .	4,000 00
Aquarium . . . . .	1,000 00
Fixtures in bird house . . . . .	4,000 00
Orchard Park Improvements . . . . .	8,000 00
Seats at Band stand Boston Common . . . . .	4,000 00
	<u>37,000 00</u>

A communication was received from H. C. McGrath, stating that the salaries of the medical examiners employed during the gymnastic season, from October 1, 1912 to May 15, 1913, would not be allowed by the city auditor until approved by the board; and it was

VOTED, to authorize the employment of and pay the salaries of medical examiners, for the season beginning October 1, 1912 and ending May 15, 1913, as follows:

Dr. Sarah Mulvanity, Ward 16, D-street & Ward 9 gymnasiums	\$150.00
Dr. George F. Keenan, Ward 9 gymnasium	150.00
Dr. Francis D. Donoghue, Cabot-street gymnasium	150.00
Dr. Elmer L. Brine, North Bennet-street Gymnasium	150.00
Dr. Edward J. Denning, D-street gymnasium	150.00
Dr. Loretta Joy Cummins, Curtis Hall, Cabot-st & Ward 7 gymnasiums	150.00
Dr. Edward A. Supple, Curtis Hall gymnasium	150.00
Dr. John M. Kelly, Ward 16 gymnasium	150.00
Dr. Daniel J. O'Shea, East Boston gymnasium	150.00
Dr. Aubrey J. Collins, Ward 7 gymnasium	70.31
Dr. Gaetano Praino, Ward 7 gymnasium	37.50

*Geo. F. Clarke*  
*Secretary*

BOSTON, JUNE 11, 1913

A special meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 10.30 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan and Peabody. Special drafts as recorded in the special draft book were passed.

*Emma W. Burnstead*  
Secretary pro tem.

BOSTON, JUNE 14, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley; also present Messrs. Shea and Putnam. The records of the last meeting and of special meeting of June 11 were read and approved.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the need of sixteen temporary athletic instructors for the summer vacation season; and it was

VOTED, to authorize Mr. Shea to employ the additional men needed, for three months, at the rate of \$85.00 per month.

A report from Olmsted Brothers in reference to seeding and fencing the areas being improved on the Common, as an extra under the contract with J. J. Fanning, was received; and it was

VOTED, to approve of the extra work.

An estimate from Olmsted Brothers of the cost of paving and draining the concert grove on the Common was received, also plan from H. G. Ripley for seats at the bandstand; and the matter was referred to the chairman to confer with Messrs. Olmsted in regard to carrying out the plan.

Bids for old junk were received as follows:

	Cast Iron per 100 lbs.	Scrap Iron per 100 lbs.	Light iron per 100 lbs.
Massachusetts Iron & Metal Co.	43 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢	33 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢	16 ¢
Louis Miller Company	31 ¢	25 ¢	14 ¢
James F. Mulcahy	\$7.00 a ton, galvanized omitted		

and it was

VOTED, to accept the highest bid.

A report was received from Mr. Finigan, stating, that, at the mayor's request, he had arranged for six bandstands to be erected on the Common, and to have the Naval Brigade Band give a concert in connection with the Flag Day Exercises; also to give a band concert at Belmont Square, East Boston, Friday

evening, June 13, all expense of which are to be charged to the public celebrations appropriation.

A report from Mr. Finigan, suggesting that John J. Bench be appointed, provisionally, to act as attendant at evening concerts, at \$2.00 per concert, was approved; and it was

VOTED, to employ John J. Bench of 388 Seaver street, Dorchester, to attend and report on evening concerts, and to pay him two dollars per concert.

A request of John F. Dever, Director Public Celebrations, to have two music stands on June 17, one at Hayes square and one at the Training Field, with chairs and lights if necessary, and to have a number of bands engaged for the Bunker Hill Day Committee; and it was

VOTED, to do as the committee requests.

On the request of the board of health, it was

VOTED, to approve the transfer of Grace M. Cunningham, stenographer in this department, to the health department.

A request of R. J. Reiser, to drive a light wagon for merchandise through Ruggles street to Brookline avenue, was received and permission declined.

A protest through the law offices of Coggan and Coggan, against opening Union Park, was received, and the matter was referred to the chairman and Mr. Shea.

A protest through the mayor's office, in reference to cutting down trees and top of Mt. Ida, was received and placed on file.

VOTED, to grant a location to H. O. Davis, to maintain a stand on Boston Common, for this season, as formerly.

A report from H. C. McGrath regarding the transfer of Lewis P. Nolan, at the request of the directors of the port; and it was

VOTED, to approve the transfer of Lewis P. Nolan from this department to the directors of the port, for the position of watchman, and to notify the civil service commissioners accordingly.

On request of Mr. McGrath, it was

VOTED, to request the police commissioners to detail officer Sweeney of Station 7, at L-street, for this season, as usual.

A communication from Elizabeth Harrington, Secretary Neighborhood Committee of Roxbury, suggesting that the vacant lot on Whittier place be utilized for a playground, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

The application for refreshment privileges at Jamaica Pond were referred to the chairman and deputy commissioner Shea.

A communication from Mr. Murtfeldt regarding arrangements with the Boston & Maine Railroad, in connection with the Charlestown Heights work, was received and referred to Mr. Shea.



City council orders making appropriations as follows:

Zoological Garden and Aquarium	\$25,000 00
Orchard Park	8,000 00
Boston Common, seats at bandstand	4,000 00

all from the Parkman Fund, were received, and the chairman was instructed to confer with Messrs. Olmsted in regard to carrying out the latter plan.

Mr. Peabody was authorized to confer with Mr. Austin in regard to a plan for a sanitary building near the bird house.

A communication from Louis R. Quigley regarding available land on Grampian Way for an addition to Savin Hill Park, was received and referred to Mr. Shea for report.

A communication from John C. Kiley, regarding the transfer by the metropolitan park commission of the control of land at Stony Brock Reservation to this department, for a playground, was received.

VOTED, to give permission to the Fresh Air Fund, to hold a series of picnics in Franklin Park, July 22 to July 25, 1913, as formerly, under the direction of Deputy Commissioner Shea.

On report of H. C. McGrath, it was

VOTED, to pay John J. Cannon and James B. Gibbons, custodians, at the rate of \$2.75 per day while so employed.

Special drafts as recorded in the special draft book were passed.

A petition from members of the Central Club and other citizens of Jamaica Plain, asking for the improvement of Carolina-avenue Playground, was received and placed on file.

Plans and request from the Boston Elevated Railway Company, for locations on Commonwealth avenue, from the new subway entrance to Brookline avenue and Beacon street were received.

*Geo. F. Clarke*  
*Secretary*

BOSTON, JUNE 27, 1914

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody & Coakley; also present Messrs. Shea and Putnam. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The mayor came before the board for a conference with Mrs. Cabot and the

board on the question of a children's playground in the Fens. After discussion it was decided to go on with the filling up of the duck yard site near the sanitary building.

A communication from John J. Murphy regarding the placing at the disposal of the public, as a public landing, Mallock's Wharf in Dorchester, was received and the secretary was instructed to send to the mayor Mr. Putnam's estimate of the expense of fitting up the landing.

On the application of Joseph Fitzgerald, for the use of Wood Island Park, July 26, for a field day and parish picnic, it was

VOTED, to grant the request.

A communication from Charles F. Read, Clerk of the Bostonian Society, suggesting names for new playgrounds, was received and the matter was laid over.

A report from H. C. McGrath on the employment of matrons and laundry women for the summer was laid over.

A request of Thomas Butler, for a permit to beach the hull of the Fall River Line Steamer "Connecticut" on the back end of Governor's Island, and burn it, was received; and it was

VOTED, to grant the request if the fire commissioner approves it.

A communication from the joint council of the municipal employees union, for a conference on the discharge of Alfred H. Copithorn and Patrick Connolly 2nd, was received and placed on file, the intention of the board being to give the men another chance.

A communication from Herbert A. Wilson, trustee under the will of George A. Wilson, relative to the action of the board in hiring Dummy Field, was received; and it was

VOTED, to hire Dummy Field for this season on the same terms as before.

A communication from James H. Sullivan, of the public works department, as to the cost of extending the surface drain to Norfolk-street playground, amounting to \$18,000.00, was received and referred to Mr. Putnam.

A communication from L. K. Bourke, of the public works department, regarding the transfer of the square at the junction of Columbus and Warren avenues, was received; and it was

VOTED, to accept the transfer of the care and control of Columbus square from the public works department.

Petitions for the conversion of the bridlepath into a driveway for the exclusive use of horse-drawn vehicles were received, and the secretary was instructed to inform the mayor that the board highly approves the purpose of the petitioners, and will have a plan drawn and an estimate made of the cost of such a roadway.

A communication from John F. Duffy, regarding the layout of Norfolk-street

playground, and the secretary was instructed to notify him that the board has adopted a plan, and ask him to come and look at it.

A request of Nellie McLean Atwood, for potted plants for the East Boston children, was received and referred to the chairman for reply.

A communication from P. A. Kearns, Chairman Roxbury Day Celebration, regarding the use of certain playgrounds on July 4th, for a series of athletic events, refreshments, etc., was received and the secretary was instructed to refer him to Mr. Dever.

A communication from John E. Lynch, in reference to the plan for the layout of Mt. Ida Playground, was received and placed on file.

A communication from Fletcher Osgood, in regard to making the Common a paradise for birds, was received and referred to the chairman.

A communication from P. G. Stowell in reference to the Jamaica Pond concession and purchase of his boats by the city, and Mr. Shea's report thereon, were received and laid over.

Special drafts as recorded in the special draft book were passed.

Orders for additional work at the bird house, under contract with the Fidelity and Casualty Company of New York, were approved.

The application of Thomas F. O'Brien for concession for a refreshment booth at L-street was received; and, at the mayor's suggestion, Mr. Kiley was asked to look into the subject and report to him.

A communication was received from H. W. Summers, manager of the Charlesgate, requesting removal of the stone crusher, etc. from the vacant land between Charlesgate East and Charlesgate West, and Mr. Shea was instructed to look into it.

A communication from Field and Cowles, in regard to insurance adjustment of damage to the bath automobile, was received and referred to Mr. Shea.

A communication from Mr. McGrath, regarding the dilapidated condition of the Border-street wharf, was received and referred to Mr. Putnam.

Executive circulars Nos. 56 and 57, in regard to holidays and annual picnic, also leave of absence to veterans, from June 30 to July 5, the fiftieth anniversary of the battle of Gettysburg, also requests from employees unions for leave to hold their picnic on July 31, were received; and it was

VCTED, to grant a holiday to those employees who attend the picnic of their organization, also leave of absence to any employee attending the Gettysburg anniversary.

A communication from the Carpenters' District Council in regard to the wages of Michael Bailey, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

The claim of Smith and Lovett, to be allowed additional compensation for extra work on the iron work of the bear cages, was received and referred to Mr. Putnam.

A communication from the school committee, stating its vote transferring land at Prince-street Playground to this department, was received and placed on file.

Mr. Peabody submitted a plan from Mr. Shurtleff, showing proposed location of a racoon enclosure, which was approved, and deputy commissioner Shea was instructed to arrange for the work to be done.

Mr. Peabody submitted a letter from Mr. Ripley, stating that he was going abroad and would be glad, at his own expense, to look into the matter of horticultural buildings in the parks of foreign cities, with a view to being considered in the selection of an architect in case the city should plan for such a building in the Fenway; and it was

VOTED; that Mr. Peabody be authorized to arrange with Mr. Ripley to look up the subject of horticultural buildings abroad, with the understanding that he will be asked to prepare sketches for a building for the Fens, on his return,

The commissioners stated to the mayor their belief that the opinion expressed in their original letter, recommending sites for two playgrounds in Ward 19. was a businesslike proposition, but would yield to the opinion of the Finance Commission and the mayor, and request the street commissioners to take the sites on Phillips street shown on the plan submitted at this meeting. It was thereupon

VOTED, to request the street commissioners to take for playground purposes in Ward 19, two parcels of land on Phillips street, one parcel being numbered 21 to 25 on said street and extending through the rear end of lot 1475 Tremont street, the other lot being numbered 10 to 30 Phillips street, and extending through to the Mission Church property. as shown on a plan dated June 27, 1913.

*Geo. F. Clarke*  
*Secretary*

BOSTON, JULY 3, 1913

A special meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 10 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan and Peabody; also present Messrs. Shea and Putnam.

A communication from Charles Newhall, requesting that Walnut avenue be made of uniform width from Columbus avenue to Glen Road, stating that the city is widening its part of the road, was received and referred to Mr. Putnam for report.

A communication from the South Boston citizens' association, enclosing a letter from Mrs. P. W. Reimer, regarding refusal of admission to Dorchester Heights monument, was received and referred to the chairman.

A communication from Samuel C. Webster Jr., requesting that Union Park be kept open until 10 P.M., and from M. D. Newman protesting against keeping the park open, also from Dr. G. C. Moore, were received; and it was

VOTED, not to change the present rule keeping the park open until 8 P.M.

Applications of Bernard J. Woods and Edward F. Loughlin, for position as deputy commissioner of the recreation division, were received and placed on file.

A communication from Olmsted Brothers, in reference to the bandstand on the Common and arrangements of seats about it, was received and referred to Mr. Peabody.

Special drafts as recorded in the special draft book were passed.

A request of the Fidelity and Casualty Company for extension of time for the completion of the bird house in Franklin Park was received; and it was

VOTED, to extend the time for the completion of the bird house in Franklin Park thirty days.

Notice of permit issued by the mayor's office to the Roxbury Christian Endeavor Union, to hold religious services on Munroe Park, July 8, 15, 22, 29, August 5, 12, 19 and 26, was received and placed on file.

A request from H. C. McGrath, regarding the granting of additional pay of twenty-five cents per day to men in charge of beaches and floating baths, also the granting of vacations, was considered; and it was

VOTED, not to grant the increase as the financial condition of the department will not warrant it.

A communication from H. C. McGrath recommending the relocation of the floating bath at Chelsea Bridge and do some dredging was received; and it was

VOTED, to approve the relocation of the bathhouse, but not to do the dredging.

Mr. Putnam's report on the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company's service to the bird house was received; and it was

VOTED, to approve the same on condition that a public telephone be provided for.

VOTED, to ask Mr. L. S. Crandall, Assistant Curator of Birds of the New York Zoological Park, to come to Boston to confer with the board in regard to the bird house, the expense of said trip to be paid for by this department.

VOTED, to notify Mr. Benson that the board does not desire to purchase the buffalo and other animals offered by him, and will make other arrangements.

VOTED, to send a bill to Dr. George D. Bliss, for occupancy of house at 151 Adams street, Dorchester, from December 15, 1912 to July 1, at \$20.00 per month.

Plans for Rutherford avenue and Mt. Ida playgrounds were received from Mr. Shurtleff and referred to Mr. Putnam.

*Geo. F. Delancey*  
*Secretary*

BOSTON, JULY 11, 1914

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 10 A.M. Present. Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley, also present Messrs. Shea and Putnam.

An order of the city council was received, appropriating fifty-three thousand dollars, as follows:

Horticultural Building, studies, etc. . . . .	\$3000.00
Completion Orchard Park Improvements . . . . .	17000.00
Improvement small parks and squares . . . . .	10000.00
Zoological Garden & Aquarium sanitary, birds, fishes, etc. . . . .	18000.00
Commonwealth avenue irrigation & soil renovation between Arlington and Dartmouth streets . . . . .	5000.00

A communication from the board of election commissioners, requesting the use of the old police station in West Roxbury, for polling places, was received; and it was

VOTED, to allow the use of the old police station in West Roxbury for the state primary, September 23, 1913, the state election, November 4, 1913, and the city election, January 13, 1914.

Allowance for lost time on account of accidents, while in the performance of duty, were approved to Thomas F. Mealey and Michael Scannell.

An objection from Walter H. Preble Company to the award of the contract for Copp's Hill shelter and sanitary to W. A. Murtfeldt Company, was received and placed on file.

VOTED, to accept the bid of W. A. Murtfeldt Company for concrete shelter, sanitary building and terrace work, Copp's Hill Terraces.

The bids received were as follows:

W. A. Murtfeldt Company	\$16,786 00
Walter H. Preble Company	17,846 00
James W. McArdee	27,473 00

A report from Mr. Putnam on Hugh Cairns' request for leave to erect an arch for the Knights of Columbus, for the day of its parade, was considered and referred to Mr. Peabody to confer with the committee.

A communication from Mr. Mandell of the Boston Transcript, relative to the petition to provide a separate roadway for horsedrawn pleasure vehicles in connection with the bridlepath, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

Special drafts as recorded in special draft book were passed.

A communication from Hugh Nawn, stating that it will be impossible to remove his materials from Beacon street and Charlesgate East until October 1, was received and placed on file.

X The application of Robert F. Guild for position of deputy commissioner, was received and placed on file.

An order was received from the city council, requesting this department to consult with the Boston Common Society and the Boston Transit Commission, as to the advisability and desirability of using excavated material from the Boylston-street subway to level the parade and ball ground on Boston Common, and was referred to Mr. Putnam to estimate the changes necessary to reduce the present grade to a level.

On request of Father Teeling, it was

VOTED, to grant the St. Phillips Rectory to hold a garden party on Columbus avenue playground, August 30.

The offer of Mark Stone, for the Helping Hand Temporary Home for Destitute Jewish Children, to sell land adjoining Highland Park for \$10,000.00, was postponed to the next meeting.

Notice of request for permit to erect a public garage and for license to keep, store and sell gasoline, at 14 Harvard avenue, adjoining Ripley Playground, was received and referred to Mr. Shea.

Report of H. C. McGrath, on the order of the city council regarding the resanding of Dewey Beach, and an anchor of logs to protect the beach from debris, was referred to Mr. Shea.

Report of H. C. McGrath on the cost of maintaining shower baths at the Girls' Latin School was referred to Mr. Shea.

A letter was sent to Hugh C. McGrath directing him, hereafter, in the conduct of his branch of the work, to make all reports to Deputy Commissioner Shea; and, in the matter of the employment, discharge or transfer of employees, ordering of supplies, repairs, and all other matters of importance, to act in no case except after consultation with and approval of the deputy commissioner,

The matter of the zoo requirements were referred to Messrs. Shea and Putnam for report.

*Geo. F. Clarke*  
Secretary

BOSTON, JULY 18, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9.30 A.M. Present. Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley; also present Messrs. Shea and Putnam. The records of the last meeting, also of June 27 and special meeting of July 3, were read and approved.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the communication from Wendell F. Murray, in regard to making a ball field in Dorchester Park, adjacent to the Convalescent Home; and the chairman was instructed to report to the mayor.

On the recommendation of Mr. Shea, it was

VOTED, to appoint Mary A. Kenney second assistant at the Charlesbank women's gymnasium.

On the recommendation of Mr. Shea, it was

VOTED, to ask the mayor for authority to place the following employees on a weekly basis:

William E. Fischer	Forester
Thomas F. Walsh	"
John D. Buckley	Gasoline Eng.Repairer & Operator
James A. Walsh	" " " " "
William J. Donley	Chauffeur
Louis Chenetti	"
Stephen H. McCarthy	"
Henry H. Adolph	"
Dennis Daley	"
Fred Bonang	"
John J. Walsh	"
Patrick J. Kielty	"
Peter Barker	Foreman
Joseph P. Howe	Greenkeeper
Arthur J. Gorham	Gas.Eng.Repairer & Operator
Peter McCabe	Stableman
Thomas A. Callahan	Custodian
Edward Dever	Moth Destroyer
John P. Kelly	Sub-foreman
Edward T. Noon	Fireman
Catherine Flood	Matron
John F. Coakley	Teamster
Joseph P. Germaine	Nurseryman
Frank Hill	Tree expert
John A. Johnson	Sodder & grader
John P. Lane	Caretaker
Patrick Taylor	Tree Climber
Edward V. Powers	Gardener & grader
Richard Welch	Moth destroyer
David Murphy	Laborer
Michael Gorman	"
Thomas Ganley	"
James Kennedy	"
Charles Lennon	"
Hugh Fitzgerald	"
Patrick F. McNamara	"
William C. Sales	"
Patrick Malia	"
John Matchett	"
John J. Connolly 1st	"
John Curley	"
Raffalle DeFlorio	"
James J. Davis	"
Patrick J. Doherty	"
Michael Downes	"
James F. Hurley	"
Festis Wallace	"
Michael Walsh 1st	"
William Dunbar	"
Hugh Bagley	"



Francesco Colangelo	Laborer
John J. Coughlin	"
James J. McManus	"
Thomas J. Lynch	"
Thomas J. Delaney	"
Timothy Hagan	"

A request of foreman James D. Edgeworth for an increase in salary was received and placed on file.

A reply of H. C. McGrath to the letter of the board of July 11, relative to submission of all matters to the approval of deputy commissioner Shea, was received and placed on file.

A notice from the board of health of the need of toilet accommodations at Freeport-street Beach was received, and the secretary was instructed to reply.

The vote of the committee on claims of the city council, to settle the claim of Patrick Sheehan, for thirty-days' pay, was approved.

On the recommendation of Mr. Shea, it was

VOTED, to appoint Charles E. Sherman as foreman at the aquarium.

A communication from the metropolitan park commission, relative to communications from the board as to taking land from Savin Hill Playground, and transfer of land at Stony Brook, was received; and it was

VOTED, to request the street commissioners to take additional land at Savin Hill Beach and other additional land, shown on a plan entitled Savin Hill Beach, Study No. 5, dated October 1911.

A communication from George A. Lougee, regarding the need of a souvenir booklet descriptive of the aquarium and zoological garden, was received and referred to Mr. Mowbray.

On the request of the Boston Elevated Railway Company, for alteration and addition to existing tracks on Commonwealth avenue, between Blandford and Hinsdale streets, it was

VOTED, that the West End Street Railway Company by the Boston Elevated Railway Company, its attorney, be granted leave to construct, maintain and use as an alteration of and an addition to its existing locations on Commonwealth avenue, between Blandford street and Hinsdale street, an additional cross-connection; substantially as shown by red lines on plan of A. L. Plimpton, civil engineer, dated July 12, 1913, and filed with the application for this permit; together with permission to establish and maintain the overhead single trolley electric system of motive power in the operation of its cars on said new tracks, and to erect, maintain, and use the necessary poles, also wires, appliances and electrical appliances and apparatus, and to make the underground and surface alterations of the streets necessary for that purpose.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the request of Mr. Young for repairs, improvements, installation of apparatus, etc., at the children's corners, which was placed on file.

A communication from George S. Burgess, secretary to superintendent Dyer of the school committee, acknowledging courteous assistance rendered the visiting delegation of teachers from Scotland, was received and placed on file.

A communication from A. A. Maxwell, commissioner of the Boston and Maine Railroad, stating that the railroad wishes to purchase a strip of land five feet wide and three hundred thirty-eight feet long, at Charlestown Heights adjoining its location, and to pay therefor at the rate of one dollar per square foot; also to pay for strengthening the arch of the subway, extending same five feet, and erecting a fence at the new line, was received and Mr. Putnam was instructed to prepare a design for an iron fence and submit it to the railroad company.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the communication from Fred J. Taber, president Mattapan Improvement Association, suggesting the construction of a footbridge over the midland division of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad, to connect with Norfolk-street playground; and the secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from the street laying-out department, stating that the board of street commissioners has taken land of Adolph A. Walroden, adjoining Roslindale playground, was received and placed on file.

Special drafts as recorded in special draft book were passed.

A communication from Delia I. Griffin, curator of the children's museum, stating, that, after careful study of conditions at the Refectory Building and Pine Bank House, she is convinced that the latter affords better facilities for the children's museum; and it was

VOTED, to allow the science teachers bureau to occupy, for the purposes of the children's museum, such portions of Pine Bank house as may be agreed upon by the science teachers' bureau and deputy commissioner Shea, reserving to the board the right to terminate the said occupancy at any time and to resume control of said parts of the building.

VOTED, to authorize the deputy commissioner to expend \$5000. on the Commonwealth avenue work, between Arlington street and Dartmouth street.

VOTED, to employ Wells and Dana as architects for the proposed lodge and sanitary building at the Seaver-street entrance to Franklin Park, also to make plans for the locker and sanitary building proposed to be erected on Orchard Park.

VCTED, to appoint Anna G. Hession matron in charge of Dover-street bath, in place of Margaret T.O'Brien, resigned, at a salary of \$12.00 per week.

VOTED, to employ Lee S. Crandall, assistant curator of birds of the New York Zoo Park, to purchase birds; and that the secretary so inform Mr. Benson.

Mr. Shea was instructed to inquire of the Metropolitan Park Commission what regulations of bathing costumes are enforced in state bathhouses.

VOTED, to request the Street Commissioners to take for playground purposes in

Ward 19, the parcel of land adjoining Highland Park, belonging to the Helping Hand Temporary Home for Destitute Jewish Children, containing about 44,722 square feet.

*Geo. F. Leland*  
*Secretary*

BOSTON, JULY 25, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9.15 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley; also present Messrs. Shea and Putnam. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

VOTED, to renew the leases of the Columbia and Mosquito Fleet Yacht clubs, for five years, on the same terms as before.

A communication from Edward D. Rice and Matilda F. Williams, regarding the use of the bridlepath for horse-drawn pleasure vehicles, were received and placed on file.

An application from C. Emerson Brown for position of curator of birds was received and placed on file.

Olmsted Brothers' report on conference with Fletcher Osgood, on the subject of attracting native birds to the Common, was referred to Mr. Putnam.

A communication from H. Richards, of the South Park Commission, Chicago, regarding power boats, was referred to Mr. Shea for report.

Special drafts as recorded in the specialdraft book were passed.

The proposition of Frank Prior to give thirty-six Punch & Judy performances in the parks and playgrounds, at \$10.00 each, was approved.

The application of Vincent Brogna, for the use of Boston Common for a display of fireworks by the New England Fireworks Company, July 26; also the use of the bandstand for the Avellino Band, was received and permit granted, under the usual conditions.

A communication from the art commission, requesting that a fountain figure by Frederick W. Allen, be placed temporarily in one of the Public Garden fountains; also requesting the board to designate a location for two models of boats offered to the city by Joseph Bernarde, was received; and it was

VOTED, to accept the models, for some place to be designated later, and to place the statuette on exhibition in the Public Garden.

A plan for arrangement of walks at 90 Fenway, by A. A. Shurtleff, was adopted and referred to Mr. Shea to carry out.

A communication from the science teachers' bureau, accepting the use of the Pine Bank house for its children's museum, was received and placed on file.

A communication from Herbert A. Wilson to the mayor, regarding lack of bathing facilities south of North Beacon street in Brighton, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

*Geo. F. Kelarke*  
*Secretary*

BOSTON, AUGUST 4, 1914

A special meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9/15 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan and Peabody, also Deputy Commissioner Shea.

A request was received from John F. Dever, Director Public Celebrations, for permission to display fireworks on Boston Common, August 5 and 6; and it was

VOTED, to authorize the display of fireworks on Boston Common, on the nights of August 5 and 6, as requested.

VOTED, to grant permission to the convention of the Knights of Columbus, to form on Commonwealth avenue at Brockline avenue and Beacon street, and to parade through Commonwealth avenue, south side, to Dartmouth street, at 7.15 to 7.30 P.M., August 4.

VOTED, to instruct Mr. Shurtleff to prepare plans for Mystic and Charlestown playgrounds, to make them more attractive, and as a preliminary to a request to the city council for an appropriation therefor. Also to employ Mr. Ripley to make a study for an arch for Commonwealth avenue, with a view to using in its construction the marble columns taken from the custom house.

Special drafts as recorded in special draft book were passed.

The request of the Forsyth Dental Infirmary for a conference regarding the park and grounds surrounding the Dental Infirmary was received, and Mr. Peabody was instructed to confer with Mr. Forsyth in regard to what they desired the board to do.

*Geo. F. Kelarke*  
*Secretary*

BOSTON, AUGUST 8, 1914

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 23 Beacon street, at 9.15 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley; also present Messrs. Shea and Putnam. The records of the last meeting and of special meeting of August 4 were read and approved.

Mr. Peabody referred to the correspondence regarding an entrance from the Fenway to the apartment house on the north side of Westland Entrance; and, at his suggestion, the matter was referred to Mr. Shurtleff to report on the question of a service road or other suitable approach to said building.

The chairman was instructed to treat with the contractor and architect of the convenience station on the Common, to see what arrangements can be made, if any, for the substitution of the plans for a new station in another location.

Mr. Shea submitted some correspondence relative to contemplated improvements at Seaver street, recommending that the matter be given to Mr. Shurtleff for a report after consultation with the deputy commissioner and the engineer; and Mr. Shea's recommendation was adopted.

A communication from Charles Newhall, in reference to widening Walnut avenue opposite park land and Montebello Road, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply that the board would take the matter under consideration.

An order of the city council appropriating \$1000. for a public landing at Mallock's Wharf, Freeport street, also Mr. Shurtleff's plan for laying out Mallock's Wharf were considered, and the chairman was instructed to send a letter to the mayor, stating that \$2500. would be the least that a landing could be constructed for.

X The chairman was instructed to write to the civil service commissioners and request them to hold a competitive examination for the position of deputy commissioner of recreation, and take up the matter of qualifications with Dr. Harrington, Director of School Hygiene.

The secretary was instructed to write to the interior department, in reference to securing elk and deer to stock the elk and deer ranges already completed.

The secretary was instructed to write to the petitioners for a special roadway for horse-drawn vehicles between the Fenway and Forest Hills, stating that the board does not favor any change in the present bridle-path, but will study better accommodations for the driving public; and, meanwhile, will sand the sides of the roads to permit of safe driving.

VOTED, to permit Mrs. R. L. Graves to occupy and use the boat landing at Jamaica Pond for the sale of refreshments, and to conduct the boat privilege, for the remainder of this year, including the use of the boats and other property belonging to the department; on condition that the service is carried on to the

satisfaction of the board.

VOTED, to increase the pay of Timothy W. Kelley, janitor Fort Point Channel floating bath, to \$2.75 per day, until September 15, 1913.

VOTED, that Mr. Shea be authorized to attend the national convention of the society of American florists and ornamental horticulturists at Minneapolis, August 18 to 23; also the meeting of the American association of park superintendents at Denver, August 25, 26 & 27; and that he be allowed his expenses while on said trip.

VOTED, that Mr. Putnam be acting deputy commissioner during the absence of Mr. Shea.

VOTED, that the use of the Peters House (so-called) at Franklin Park be given to Mr. Shea as part compensation for his services as deputy commissioner of the park division.

The following proposals for painting fence on Boston Common, received July 29, were considered:

	<u>Lead &amp; oil</u>	<u>Ferox</u>
Fred J. Kneeland	\$698 00	\$698 00
Bernard R. Coullahan	810 00	900 00
General Waterproofing Company	1250 00	1210 00
Albert D. Howlett Company	1800 00	2100 00

and it was

VOTED, to accept the lowest bid.

On request of the soldiers' relief department to hold its annual reunion at Fort Independence; it was

VOTED, to permit the Twelfth Regiment Association to hold a reunion at Fort Independence, on September 10, and to camp on the grounds during that day.

Mr. E. C. Donnelly came before the board in reference to painting his signboard on Commonwealth avenue, and the secretary was authorized to issue a permit therefor.

*Geo. F. Belarke*  
*Secretary*

BOSTON, AUGUST 12, 1914

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley; also present Messrs. Shea and Putnam.

VOTED, to approve of the children's corner being placed in the fork of the

streets at Rutherford avenue, according to Mr. Shurtleff's letter of August 12.

The Mt. Ida playground plans were considered at the meeting, but no conclusion was reached.

VOTED, to ask Mr. Shurtleff to consider the Horticultural building schemes in the Fens, in conjunction with Mr. Ripley, who had been previously asked to study it.

*Geo. F. Helasko*  
Secretary

BOSTON, SEPTEMBER 5, 1914

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 3 P.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan and Coakley, Mr. Peabody being absent from the city. Also present acting deputy commissioner Putnam.

A request from the Boston Elevated Railway Company, for leave to construct and maintain an alteration of existing locations on Arborway, from South street to Washington street, was received; and it was

VOTED, that permission be granted to the West End Street Railway Company to construct, maintain and use an alteration of its existing locations, as follows: A relocation of the existing double tracks on Arborway, West Roxbury district, from South street to Washington street, substantially as shown by red lines on plan of A. L. Plimpton, civil engineer, dated August 14, 1913 and filed with the application for this permit; also to establish and maintain the overhead single trolley electric system of motive power in the operation of its cars on said tracks, and to erect, maintain and use the necessary poles, also wires, appliances and electrical appliances and apparatus, and to make the underground and surface alterations of the streets necessary for that purpose.

Said permission is granted under the same conditions as are contained in the vote of the board of park commissioners July 23, 1900, granting a location on the north traffic road of the Arborway, and under the bond filed by said company with its acceptance of said location.

A communication and blue print from the street commissioners, showing proposed widening of Seaver street, from Walnut avenue to Blue Hill avenue, and notice of hearing, were received and laid over.

A communication from the street commissioners, stating that they have taken

for playground purposes the property on Phillips street, Ward 19, and that the taking has been approved by the mayor and recorded. Also communications from P. J. Malley, stating that the mayor is desirous of having work commenced at once, and from J. C. Kiley regarding buildings and awards, were received and placed on file.

A communication from the Boston transit commission, with blue print of plan showing location of proposed incline in Boylston street and the widening of Boylston street, as authorized by chapter 810 of the acts of 1913, was received and laid over.

A communication from J. H. Heustis, vice president of the Boston & Albany railroad, relative to expense of new fence along the northerly side of Ipswich street in the Fens, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from the assistant secretary of the department of the interior, requesting to be informed as to the number of elk desired, and stating, that, on account of the limited number of animals in the park herd, no deer are allowed to be captured, was received and referred to Mr. Shea.

An order of the city council transferring fifteen thousand dollars from the reserve fund for the completion of Ward 8 wardroom, was received and placed on file.

A request of Henry A. Hitner's Sons Company of Philadelphia, for permission to burn the old United States frigate "Santee" on Governor's Island, was received; and it was

VOTED, to authorize the secretary to issue a permit upon their filing a bond for \$2000.

A communication from J. S. Hathaway, with accompanying petition for extension of the bridle path in Franklin Park, so that the zoological features may be accessible, also the erection of a suitable shelter or shed in the vicinity for hitching horses, was received and laid over.

A communication from Sylvester Baxter, relative to canoes and electric launches for the Fens and Riverway, was received and laid over.

A proposal of the Daniel Russell Boiler Works Inc., for installing tubes at the locker building, Franklin Field, was accepted.

A communication from Fred L. O'Brien, stating his qualifications for the position of deputy commissioner; also letter from the civil service commission regarding examination for said position, etc., were received and placed on file.

A communication from John F. Connors, M.D., veterinary surgeon for the paving, street cleaning, bridge, sanitary, public buildings, and water departments, submitting a proposal for service in the park and recreation department, was received and referred to Mr. Shea.



A communication was received from J. Frank Facey, of the registration committee of the New England association of the amateur athletic union, stating that the annual meeting will be held September 15, at which time it was suggested the membership of the municipal athletic association be taken up by this department; and the matter was referred to the secretary.

Special drafts as recorded in the special draft books were passed.

On report of Mr. Putnam, it was

VOTED, to approve the list of sub-contractors for Copp's Hill shelter, under the contract with W. A. Murtfeldt, as submitted by him.

Contracts for a shelter and locker building at the Norfolk-street playground, also guard fence and tree guards at the elk and bison ranges were awarded to the lowest bidders. The bids were as follows:

SANITARY AND LOCKER BUILDING  
Norfolk-street Playground

John F. Griffin Company	\$13 594 00
Louis B. Cadario	14 927 00
McDonald & Kivell	15 505 00
Richard Gibson	15 520 00
Ambrogio Piotti	15 921 00
Hapgood, Frost & Company	16 654 00
J. E. Locatelli Company	17 813 00
Walter H. Preble Company	19 774 00

GUARD FENCE AND TREE GUARDS  
Elk and Bison Ranges

	G. Fence pr. foot	Elk T.G. each	Buffalo G.T. each	Total
Old Colony Foundry & Fence Co.	\$0.81	\$26.35	\$37.00	\$920.00
W. A. Snow Iron Works Inc.	1.22	43.00	50.00	1426.00
Wright Wire Company	.90	25.39	55.26	990.82
Anchor Post Iron Works	1.50	50.00	100.00	1750.00
Walworth Mfg. Co.	1.00	27.90	60.80	1101.20

A communication from John C. Kiley in regard to the taking of land at Tenean Beach was received; and it was

VOTED, to request the street commissioners to take, for playground purposes, the parcel of land and flats at Tenean Beach, Dorchester, containing about 344, 800 square feet, and shown in red on a plan thereof dated August 16, 1913.

VOTED, that, while employed at Governor's Island as custodian, the pay of Michael J. Tuohy be increased from twenty-one dollars per week to twenty-five dollars per week for subsistence at Governor's Island.

VOTED, to approve the bill of Michael J. Tuohy for subsistence at Governor's Island during July and August, 1913, amounting to thirty-four dollars, in part

compensation for his services.

A communication was received from Henry D. Bennett, stating that J. M. Gordon desires to offer for sale his lot of land in the rear of Market street, for an addition to the Portsmouth street playground.

A communication from E. J. Carpenter, regarding a replica of the statue of the Borgheuse Warrior for Franklin Park, was received, and the secretary was instructed to reply that the matter would receive the consideration of the board.

A communication from S. A. Stephan, agent for Carl Hagenbeck, offering Tibet bears, and a report from Mr. Benson thereon, were received and it was

VOTED, not to purchase any more bears at present.

A request of H. C. McGrath for approval to obtaining special police licenses for custodians and assistant custodians of baths; it was

VOTED, to approve the recommendation.

On request of William H. Ellis, for extension of time on his contract for erection of bathhouse at Wood Island Park, it was

VOTED, to extend the time for completion to October 1.

Mr. Putnam's report on land on Davidson street, Hyde Park, offered by John C. Cobb, was received and placed on file.

Mr. Putnam's report on land near Highland avenue, Neponset, that William Wood proposes to give to the city, was received; and it was

VOTED, to recommend to the mayor and city council the acceptance of the gift of the playground, if it can be acquired without incurring any obligation to its development.

Mr. Putnam's report on work done throughout the department was received and placed on file.

VOTED, that Thomas J. O'Brien be given the refreshment privilege on the Strandway for the season of 1914, at the rate of \$125.00 per annum, on the condition that he keeps the premises clean and in good repair, keeps the attendants in uniform, and keeps the land contiguous to the booth at all times free from litter, and furnishes between May 1 and October 1, the labor necessary to pick up stray papers on the Strandway between K and M streets.

VOTED, subject to the approval of the mayor, to increase the pay of the following employees of the engineering force to the amounts set against their names:

Theodore W. Souther	from \$4.00 per day to \$1500 per annum
Charles E. Houghton	" 4.00 " " 1500 " "
James H. Dillon	" 1000 " annum 1200 " "
Charles J. O'Donnell	" 1000 " " 1200 " "
John J. Murphy	" 2.50 " day 1000 " "

On Mr. Putnam's recommendation, it was

VOTED, to accept the alternative offer of the Royal Insurance Company Limited, to repair the automobile burned last June, instead of the cash settlement offered by the company.

A communication from the Metropolitan park commission, in regard to the proposed transfer of certain lands in Stony Brook Reservation to the city for playground purposes, enclosing report of Olmsted Brothers, landscape architects, was received; and the secretary was instructed to reply that the conditions suggested by Messrs. Olmsted Brothers are satisfactory, and that the board will accept the transfer on the conditions mentioned.

A communication from Dennis Driscoll and Francis E. McCarthy, trustees, on the question of providing drainage at 1519 and 1521 Tremont street through a private sewer in Oriental court, requesting to know what action, if any, the board would take in the matter, was received and referred to the chairman for reply.

VOTED, subject to the approval of the mayor, to appoint Thomas A. Callahan head custodian, at a salary of \$1600.00 per annum.

On request of G. Laurano, Chairman St. Benigns Society, for permission to erect a bandstand on Cottage-street playground, and give a band concert, it was

VOTED, that the St. Benigns Society be granted permission to erect a bandstand on Cottage-street playground, and give band concerts September 13, 14 & 15, 1913, under the supervision and control of the deputy commissioner of parks.

*Geo. F. Leland*  
Secretary

BOSTON, SEPTEMBER 12, 1913

A special meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street. Present Messrs. Sullivan and Coakley.

Special drafts as recorded in special draft books were passed.

*Geo. F. Leland*  
Secretary

BOSTON, SEPTEMBER 20, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9.15 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan and Peabody, also present Messrs. Shea and Putnam. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

A communication from the school committee, stating that there is no objection to having the children's playground located in the lot back of the Lyman School, Paris street, with an entrance from the school yard, was received and placed on file.

A request for permission to use a section of Franklin Field, for the purpose of drilling by members of the Ancient Order United Workmen, for the Columbus Day parade, was received and referred to Mr. Shea.

Mr. Putnam submitted a report on raising Charlesgate Bridge over the Boston & Albany railroad, as requested by the railroad company; and the chairman was instructed to send the estimate to the mayor and request an appropriation.

Mr. Putnam submitted a report on the progress of work at Charlestown Heights, in construction of a tunnel and widening of the railroad location, which was placed on file.

A plan for granolithic walks at the Forsyth Dental Infirmary was approved, and the secretary was instructed to issue a permit to Warren Brothers.

A communication from John C. Kiley, regarding the sale of buildings at Ward 19 playground, was received and placed on file.

The application of Jeanette Reber <sup>Jawler</sup> Duffy, for position in the greenhouses was referred to Mr. Shea.

A communication from John F. Duffy, regarding the layout of Norfolk-street playground and location of the locker building, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the law department regarding extra work due Lawler Brothers, amounting to \$231.00, under contract for Mystic Playground seawall, was received.

Special drafts as recorded in special draft books were passed.

A vote of the committee on claims to settle the claim of Edward Thierfelder, for damage to awning caused by the limb of a tree falling, for twenty dollars, was approved.

A proposal from the Magee Furnace Company, to furnish a new furnace for the deputy commissioner's house in Franklin Park, was accepted.

A plan of the proposed widening of Seaver street, from Walnut avenue to Blue Hill avenue, with various cross sections, was considered, and Mr. Putnam was instructed to stake it out on the ground.

A plan for widening Boylston street and incline at the Public Garden, submitted by the Transit Commission, also sketches for a mall treatment of the Garden on

the border, prepared by Mr. Shurtleff, were considered. Mr. Davis, Engineer of the transit commission, came at the request of the board to confer on the matter. Plan B was approved, and the secretary was instructed to send it to the transit commission with a letter, stating what the board desires the transit commission to do.

Plans for a number of playgrounds were received from Mr. Shurtleff and the following disposition made:

The plan for Carolina-avenue playground was approved, and the secretary was instructed to get valuations on the private property included in the plan.

The Rutherford-avenue playground plan was referred to Mr. Putnam, to confer with Mr. Shurtleff in regard to a better entrance.

The Mystic playground plan was referred to Mr. Putnam, to consider the beach feature, and Mr. Shea was instructed to go on with preparations for planting trees.

The plan of Dewey Beach was referred to Mr. Putnam to estimate the cost.

The plan of Freeport street was referred to Mr. Putnam to estimate the cost.

The plan of Paris-street playground was accepted.

The plan of entrance to the Fens at Westland avenue was referred to Mr. Putnam to stake it out on the ground.

The plan of Mallock's Wharf, Freeport street, was referred to Mr. Putnam to estimate the cost.

A petition for the appointment of Henry J. Brennan as head instructor of the East Boston gymnasium, with accompanying letter from John J. Sullivan to the mayor, was received and placed on file.

Mr. Putnam's report on bids received for placing a copper drip pan on the ceiling of the locker room of the Cabot-street bathhouse was received and the bid of L. Lucke & Company was accepted. The bids were as follows:

L. Lucke & Company	\$85.00
Edward F. Mayberger	125.00
E. Van Noorden & Co.	160.00

*Geo. F. Clarke*  
Secretary

BOSTON, SEPTEMBER 26, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33

Beacon street, at 9.15 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The proposals of A. B. Cutter, for repairing leaded glass windows in Pine Bank House, Clmsted Park, for the sum of \$42.75, and the South Boston Roofing Company, for repairing tar and gravel roof of house on Mt. Ida playground, for the sum of \$35.00, were accepted.

A communication from the Boston & Albany Railroad Company, in regard to the fence along Ipswich street, was received and referred to Mr. Putnam to estimate the cost of a fence on the park side of the railroad.

A communication from chairman Logue of the schoolhouse commission, in regard to the use of the building of St. Joseph's Athletic Association on Charlesbank, for two classes, and letter of Dr. Harrington in regard to locations for open-air classes, were referred to the chairman to take up the matter with the schoolhouse commission.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the request of James Morrison to use a Ford motor at one of his carriage stands on Commonwealthavenue and Berkeley street; and it was

VOTED, to permit James Morrison to use an automobile at his carriage stand at the corner of Commonwealthavenue and Berkeley street, until further notice.

The application of Harry B. Taplin, for position of deputy commissioner of recreation, was received and placed on file.

Specialdrafts as recorded in special draft books were passed.

The following proposals, received July 22, for refreshment booths, were considered:

Walter H. Preble Co.	\$3199 00
Peter W. Lamont	3500 00
W. A. Murtfeldt Co.	3595 00
McKenzie & Temple	3602 90

The board decided to do nothing about them, and directed the secretary to return the check of the Walter H. Preble Company.

The following proposals received September 25 were considered:

TAR CONCRETE WALKS ON NOSTON COMMON

James H. Fannon	\$1125 00
Simpson Brothers Corporation	1075 00
W. A. Murtfeldt Company	1020 00
Henry F. Armington	915 00
Independent Coal Tar Company	815 00

CONSTRUCTING WALKS AND DRAINS IN CONCERT GROVE BOSTON COMMON

John McCourt, & Co.	89546 93
Coleman Brothers	8648 70
M. J. O'Hearn	8610 74
James H. Fannon	8250 01

FENCES AT CONCORD AND RUTLAND SQUARES

Broad Guage Iron Works	6135 20
Smith & Lovett Co.	5811 00
Wright Wire Co.	(3374 00 * 3784 00 -- 3414 00 :
Shawmut Iron & Wire Works	5776 00
W. A. Snow Iron Works, Inc.	5364 20
Vulcan Rail & Construction co.	5062 00

- \* If no new material is required for Item 1
- If new posts similar to those of fence being installed are used
- : If 6 new posts as per cut are furnished.

FENCE ORCHARD PARK

W. A. Snow Iron Works, Inc.	2412 90
Vulcan Rail & Construction Co.	2213 25
Shawmut Iron & Wire Works	2079 30
Smith & Lovett Co.	2026 50
Wright Wire Co.	1757 10

The lowest bid was accepted in each case.

VOTED, to allow compensation to Gilman J. Raymond for time lost on account of an accident, which happened to him February 4, 1913.

A communication from William H. Dimick, Secretary Massachusetts Nautical School, asking permission to berth the nautical school training ship "Banger" at the bath pier, North End Park, during the coming winter as heretofore, was received; and it was

VOTED, to grant the request under the same conditions as formerly.

VOTED, that Charles G. Lawrence, clerk, be placed incharge of Pine Bank; and, on a ccount of his lessened duties, his salary bereduced from twenty-five hundred dollars per annum to twelve hundred and fifty dollars per annum.

A communication from Clifford Devens regarding use by abutters of a 40-foot strip of park land, West Roxbury Parkway, between Westbourne street and Newburg street, for access to their lots, and suggesting suitable restrictions, was received and laid over. Subsequently the plan for laying out a boundary street, which was adopted by the board, was sent to him.

*Geo. F. Selawick*  
*Secretary*

BOSTON, OCTOBER 7, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan and Peabody, also present Deputy Commissioner Shea. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the rental of houses occupied by caretakers O'Brien and Carroll, at Chestnut Hill Park and Marcella-street Playground; and the matter was laid over.

On the application of Edward W. McGlenen, for permission to place a temporary tablet at North End Park, commemorating the visit of Samuel De Champlain and the discovery of the Charles river in 1605, it was

VOTED, to grant permission as requested.

An order of the city council, appropriating \$25000. for a playground in Mattapan, was received, and it was

VOTED, to advertise for sites.

The application of George H. Bearce, for permission to conduct a refreshment stand in the Overlook Building, Franklin Park, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the Boston Transit Commission regarding plan for reconstruction of the Public Garden along Boylston street, was received; and it was

VOTED, to request the mayor to provide an appropriation of \$15000. for one-half the total expense of the work.

The mayor's approval to the employment of Messrs. Wells and Dana as architects for the lodge and sanitary building at Seaver-street entrance to Franklin Park, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the South Boston Citizens' Association, requesting that the walks along the Strandway, from the Head House to the railroad bridge, be re-surfaced, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

Special drafts as recorded in the special draft books were passed.

The following proposals for water pipe and sewer in Franklin Park and concrete shelter in Orchard Park, opened October 3, were considered; and it was

VOTED, to award the contracts to the lowest bidders.

WATER PIPE & SEWER FRANKLIN PARK

Charles M. Callahan	\$989 50
Charles Lattorella	1035 30
Timothy Coughlin	1062 67
Louis Balboni	1118 45
John McCourt & Co.	1177 50
William L. Dolan	1201 45
John T. Shea Jr.	1298 00
Daniel E. Lynch	1365 48
Roger P. Cushing	1416 00



## ORCHARD PARK SHELTER

Walter H. Preble Company	\$3221 00
W. A. Murtfeldt Company	3299 00
Martino De Matteo	4995 00

A protest was received from E. H. Shaffer against the cutting down of trees in the Public Garden, to make way for the mall, and the secretary was instructed to reply.

On the application of the Dante Alighieri Society, for the use of a temporary bandstand in North square, for a bandconcert October 10, it was

VOTED, to grant the request provided the society will agree to pay the usual charges for such use.

VOTED, to instruct Mr. Benson to send Dr. Barbour, at the Museum of Comparative Zoology of Harvard, defunct birds from the zoo.

A contract with Thomas J. Shea Company for repairing the Arboretum wall, on a percentage basis, was approved.

A communication from the national federation of state, city and town employees unions, requesting an equalization of teamsters' wages, was received and referred to the secretary for reply.

*Geo. F. Belarke*  
Secretary

BOSTON, OCTOBER 8, 1913

A special meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street. Present Messrs. Sullivan and Peabody.

Special draft as recorded in special draft book was passed.

*Geo. F. Belarke*  
Secretary

BOSTON, OCTOBER 11, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The plan of the Fenway at the Art Museum was referred to Mr. Shurtleff for report.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the plan suggested by the planting committee of the Society of American Florists, for the development of the ten-acre marsh in the Fens, in connection with the convention of the society to be held in Boston in August 1914; and it was

VOTED, to refer the matter to Mr. Shurtleff for report.

A contract with Thomas J. Shea Company for repairing the Arboretum wall was approved.

On the request of the South Boston Yacht Club, for permission to haul rafts on the beach at L-street for the winter, it was

VOTED, to allow them this privilege as in former years.

A statement of receipts and expenses in connection with the sale of buildings at the Ward 19 playgrounds, received from John C. Kiley, was approved, and the secretary was instructed to ask the city auditor if the net proceeds can be used for clearing the grounds.

The chairman was instructed to request the mayor for an appropriation to acquire the two lots adjoining Carolina-avenue playground, included in the plan submitted.

A communication was received from George A. Sawyer, requesting information as to whether there are any restrictions against business uses of the land on that part of Commonwealth avenue between Hereford street and Massachusetts avenue; and the secretary was instructed to refer the matter to the corporation counsel for answer.

X A communication from J. H. McCurdy, Director Physical Course, International Y. M. C. A. College, Springfield, suggesting two names for position of deputy commissioner of recreation, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

X A communication from the civil service commissioners acknowledging letter of September 30, regarding qualifications for deputy commissioner of recreation, was received and placed on file.

A communication from Richard E. Follett, Secretary and Director Zoological Society, with newspaper clipping giving an account of the acquisition and dedication of the zoological park of Detroit, was received and placed on file.

A communication from John C. Kiley, regarding the sale of three lots in charge of this department now before the city council, was received and referred to the

the secretary to confer with the city auditor as to whether the proceeds can be applied to the maintenance of the department.

An order of the city council authorizing the conveyance to the Boston & Maine Railroad of land containing about 1690 square feet at Charlestown Heights, and the appropriation of the proceeds to Charlestown Heights and Dewey Beach improvements, was received and placed on file.

A report from Mr. McGrath on rental of Tenean Beach property was received and referred to the chairman.

Mr. Putnam's report on proposed work of the Edison Electric Illuminating Company in Bournside street was received; and the secretary was instructed to issue a permit accordingly.

A communication from Lorenz Hagenbeck regarding animals which he had to offer was received and laid over.

A communication from the school committee regarding open-air classes in public grounds was received; and the secretary was instructed to reply.

An order to the Fidelity and Casualty Company of New York, to substitute for differential hoists now installed in the bird house, four triplex hoists of Yale & Towne make, was approved.

Special drafts as recorded in special draft books were passed.

*Geo. F. Helarke*  
Secretary

BOSTON, OCTOBER 14, 1913

A special meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street. Present Messrs. Sullivan and Coakley.

Special draft as recorded in special draft book was passed.

*Geo. F. Helarke*  
Secretary

BOSTON, OCTOBER 16, 1913

A special meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was

held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley, also present Messrs. Shea and Putnam.

A hearing was given to the instructors who refused to take part in the Columbus Day parade. A stenographic report of the hearing is on file.

Subsequent to the hearing, it was

VOTED, that Joseph J. McNamara, John J. Driscoll, William M. Mullin, James F. Winston, Henry J. Brennan, George E. Fraser, and Leo. C. Knebel are guilty of insubordination and be therefor suspended; but, in view of certain mitigating circumstances, they be reinstated to take effect Monday October 20.

VOTED, that Michael O'Brien and Thomas Carroll, caretakers at Chestnut Hill Park and Marcella-street Playground, be allowed to occupy their houses free of rent in lieu of extra services rendered the department.

VOTED, to reinstate Matthew M. Leary without loss of pay on account of his suspension pending a hearing.

Special drafts as recorded in special draft book were passed.

An order of the city council authorizing the conveyance to the Boston & Maine Railroad of a strip of land at Charlestown Heights was received and placed on file.

A communication from Olmsted Brothers, submitting orders for extra work on the walks and drains on Boston Common, under Wannon's contract, was received and referred to the chairman.

A communication from Edgar J. Benson, received through the mayor, asking for improvement regarding the lighting of Orient Heights playground, to facilitate football, was received and referred to Mr. Putnam.

Mr. Putnam's report on the order of the city council concerning the placing in order of the grounds adjacent to the Flummer School, was received and placed on file.

*Geo. F. Belarke*  
*Secretary*

BOSTON, OCTOBER 21, 1913

A special meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9.30 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley, also present Mr. Shea.

Mr. Peabody presented a letter which he had received from Mr. Benson, tendering his resignation as director of the zoological garden. The board

VOTED, to accept Mr. Benson's resignation, and instruct the secretary to notify him of the action of the board.

The secretary was instructed to write to Mr. Ripley, referring to the previous letter of the board authorizing him to make studies abroad and furnish a sketch for a horticultural building in the Fens, and instruct him to proceed and make drawings as quickly as possible.

Mr. Peabody reported that he had conferred with General Bancroft regarding the Seaver street widening, and that General Bancroft had stated that the railroad would not oppose if it did not cost them anything.

VOTED, to authorize the purchase of a pair of white camels, two male acoudads, one pair llamas, one pair zebras from Hagenbeck; one male Tahr goat and male European red deer from the National Zoological Park; and a list of birds offered by J. C. Phillips: also to offer to purchase one or two female red deer from the Zoological Garden Philadelphia, as recommended in Mr. Benson's report.

*Geo. F. Selarke*  
Secretary

BOSTON, OCTOBER 25, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley; also present Messrs. Shea and Putnam. The records of the last meeting, also of special meetings of October 16 and 21 were read and approved.

A communication from Edward & George P. Hamlin, regarding bill for rental of the Tenean Beach property, was received and referred to the secretary to see if they will accept \$820.00 in full of any claim.

The application of the Boston Elevated Railway Company, for the West End Street Railway Company, for alteration and addition to existing tracks on Commonwealth avenue, Beacon street and Brookline avenue, connecting existing tracks and tracks to be built under the 416th location with the new Boylston-street subway, was received and it was

VOTED, that permission be granted to the West End Street Railway Company to construct, maintain and use an alteration of and an addition to its existing locations, as follows: On Commonwealth avenue, Beacon street and Brookline avenue, double tracks connecting the existing tracks and tracks about to be built under the 416th Boston location with the new Boylston street subway, so far as the jurisdiction of this board may extend, substantially as shown by red lines on plan of A. L. Plimpton, Civil Engineer, dated September 15, 1913, and filed

filed with the petition for this permit, together with all necessary curves, cross-overs, switches and connections; said alterations being in substitution for existing tracks as shown by dotted black lines on the aforesaid plan: also to establish and maintain the overhead single trolley electric system of motive power in the operation of its cars on said new tracks, and to erect, maintain and use the necessary poles ( as indicated by red dots on said plan), also wires, appliances and electrical appliances and apparatus and to make the underground and surface alterations of the streets necessary for that purpose.

Said company shall pave the track locations and eighteen inches outside of same with the best vitrified brick laid on a concrete foundation or such other pavement as this board may determine, and keep the same in good condition satisfactory to this board; shall place all feed-wires under the surface of the ground; shall not suffer or permit any person to place or keep wires on said poles or upon the fixtures thereto affixed without permission being first obtained in writing from this board; shall not remove the tracks or poles located under this permit until, and shall remove them and restore the surface of the ground to a condition satisfactory to this board when directed by this board so to do; and that in continued violation of any of the foregoing requirements, after notice, said board may remove said tracks or poles at the expense of said company.

All work under this permit shall be done to the satisfaction of this board. No work shall be done under this permit until said company shall furnish a bond for ten thousand dollars with surety, in form satisfactory to the corporation counsel, conditioned to save the city harmless from any loss, cost, or damage in any way arising from the privileges granted by this permit and any work to be done thereunder, and to fulfil its obligations under the provisions of this permit.

A letter and telegram from A. B. Baker, Assistant Superintendent of the National Zoological Park, Washington D.C., were received and placed on file.

A communication from John C. Kiley, regarding the sale of three parcels of land, a lot at the corner of Cambridge and Mansfield streets, containing 13,948 square feet, a lot on East Ninth street, South Boston, containing 6671 square feet, and a lot on Massachusetts avenue, corner of Shirley street, containing 60,054 square feet, and orders therefor in the city council, was referred to the chairman to reply to the city council.

The secretary reported that the city auditor said, with reference to the order now before the city council for the sale of three parcels of land belonging to this department, that the proceeds should be treated as capital account and ought not to be used for maintenance. The chairman was, thereupon, instructed to write to the mayor requesting that the proceeds of these lands be appropriated for the acquisition of additional land or improvements to existing parks or playgrounds.

Mr. Putnam's report on proposed telegraph cable to Marine Park pier, requested by the United States Life Saving Service, was received, and, in accordance with Mr. Putnam's recommendation, the secretary was instructed to reply.

Mr. Putnam's report on the cost of gates for John Winthrop Playground, was received and placed on file.

A communication from Frank H. Beebe, regarding repaving of Joy place, and requesting that the department pay a proportion of expense, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from H. G. Ripley, in reply to the letter of the board, requesting him to prepare drawings for a horticultural building, stating that he had made preliminary studies and is working out a scheme in connection with Mr. Shurtleff, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the metropolitan park commission, accompanying draft of indenture transferring the care and control of a portion of the Stony Brook Reservation for a playground, was received, together with a plan of the same, which was referred to Mr. Putnam for report.

Communications and petitions from Charles Sharman, suggesting certain trees, etc., for the beautifying of the harbor islands, were received and placed on file.

A request of John P. McGrath, Principal Eliot School, for the privilege of using North Bennet-street gymnasium baths for boys recently admitted to the school who have no bathing facilities at home, also communications from H. C. McGrath regarding the same, also use of swimming tanks by school teams, were received and the secretary was instructed to communicate with the school committee.

A communication from Henry D. Bennett, stating price for land in rear of 54 Market street, Brighton, was received and placed on file.

A communication from D. L. Prendergast, stating that the Boston Elevated Railway Company is placing on the market 17611 square feet of land on Saratoga street, East Boston, adjoining Orient Heights playground, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

The application of Mr. Wattendorf for abatement of restrictions on Columbia Road was received and referred to Mr. Putnam.

Special drafts as recorded in special draft books were passed.

VOTED, to request the street commissioners to take the lot of land at Norfolk street playground, containing 4125 square feet, required for an approach to a proposed bridge from Delhi street, as shown on a plan of said playground dated November 5, 1912.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the order of the city council requesting the board to report on the advisability of locating the proposed horticultural building on land adjoining the Forsyth Dental College, and the chairman was instructed to reply to the mayor.

Mr. Shea submitted a report in reference to the income from the Parkman Fund, and suggested improvements on Commonwealth avenue and the Fens, also the transfer of a balance, previously appropriated for convenience stations in small parks and squares, to the zoological garden, and the matter was referred to the chairman to bring it to the attention of the mayor.

Mr. Shea's report stating that he had put Mr. Mowbray in charge of the zoological garden, owing to Mr. Benson's desire to be relieved as soon as possible from his present cares as director, was received and placed on file.

*Geo. F. Helmer*  
Secretary

BOSTON, NOVEMBER 1, 1913

A special meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley, also Mr. Shea.

VOTED, to engage Arthur B. Baker of the National Zoological Park, Washington, D. C., as director of the Zoological Garden, under Mr. Shea as deputy commissioner, at a salary of \$3600.00 per annum, to date from November 1.

VOTED, that Mr. Baker be paid his actual expenses on his present visit and on subsequent visits while closing up his work in Washington.

A communication from John C. Phillips, in reference to the birds shipped to the zoological garden, and the suggestion of making a feature of cranes, was received and placed on file.

VOTED, that the Boston Elevated Railway Company be permitted to build about 300 feet of fence on North Brighton Playground adjoining Western avenue; also to dump snow at Charlestown Playground and on the Strandway the same as last year: all subject to the direction of the deputy commissioner of parks.

Mr. Shea submitted a list of proposed increases of pay of employees, which was laid over.

*Geo. F. Helmer*  
Secretary



BOSTON, NOVEMBER 8, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley, also present Mr. Shea. The records of the last meeting and special meeting of November 1 were read and approved.

A communication from the school committee regarding the use of the North Bennet-street baths was received and placed on file.

A communication from Mr. Austin regarding the completion of the bird house contract, the deduction of \$1043.00 on account of the decorating of two porches and the making of a new contract for this work with Pemell, Gibbs and Quiring Company, for the same amount, also an addition of two small bills for extras, was received and the two additions and deductions were approved.

Special drafts as recorded in the special draft books were passed.

Mr. Shea's weekly report, containing a report on appropriations and expenditures, was read and placed on file.

A communication from Dr. Harrington, Director of School Hygiene, regarding the use of swimming pools, was received and referred to Mr. McGrath.

A transfer from the metropolitan park board of land for a playground in Hyde Park was received, and Mr. Shea was instructed to ask the metropolitan board to change the plan.

Plans for the Ward 8 building on Blosson street were considered, and Mr. Putnam was instructed to make a plan of the land adjoining and in the rear and get valuations of same.

The application of William Howard to direct the municipal orchestra 1913 was received and placed on file.

An award to A. A. Walroden of \$1300 for land on South Fairview street was received, and it was

VOTED, to request the mayor for an additional appropriation.

VOTED, to purchase a bison from Mr. Benson, if approved by Mr. Baker.

A plan of the West End Street Railway Company of track location on Commonwealth avenue, showing changes from the plan previously submitted, was received, and the secretary was instructed to ask Mr. Ballantyne, counsel for the road, to appear and state the reasons therefor.

Mr. Putnam's report on skylights in the roof of the shelter at Charlestown Heights, to be put on by the schoolhouse department, also a communication from Mr. Logue, were received and the secretary was instructed to ask for a plan to be submitted by the schoolhouse commission.

VOTED, to approve the claims of Nellie Wigmore, matron, for \$27.50, loss of pay on account of a sprained ankle; also of John P. Lane, laborer, for \$32.50 on account of exposure.

The retirement of John O'Brien, a veteran of 65 years, was approved.

A report of H. C. McGrath on the letter from the Boston Newsboys' Club, regarding the use of swimming pools, was received; and the secretary was instructed to reply.

A report from H. C. McGrath on communication from Mitchell Freiman, regarding the use of the Cabot-street swimming pool, was received and laid over.

VOTED, to request the mayor to recommend to the city council the appropriation of the income received on account of gypsy and brown-tail moth suppression to said work.

The secretary was instructed to ask the opinion of the corporation counsel on the form of an order to accomplish this purpose, also as to the appropriation of revenue from the bathing privileges and the use of soap and towels to maintenance of the department.

VOTED, to request the mayor and city council to authorize the payment to the secretary of five hundred dollars, to be used by him to pay freights and other incidental expenses, to be accounted for to the auditor.

The following bids received November 7 were considered:

TWO BUILDINGS FOR ELK RANGES FOR FRANKLIN PARK ZOO

	For two buildings	For one building
Hapgood, Frost & Company	\$6 987 00	\$3 543 00
Williams & Eccleston	7 997 00	4 071 00
John W. Duff	9 000 00	4 530 00
Walter H. Preble Co.	11 000 00	5 500 00

RAISING BRIDGE IN THE FENS

Michael Meehan	6 700 00
William F. Condon	7 260 00

and it was

VOTED, to request the mayor for an additional appropriation for raising Charlesgate Bridge.

*Geo. F. Clarke*  
Secretary

BOSTON, NOVEMBER 12, 1913

A special meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley; also present Mr. Shea.

VOTED, that, subject to the mayor's approval, the pay of the following named employees be increased to the amounts set against their names, and that the secretary transmit the same to the mayor as separate votes:

D. J. Byrne	Chief Clerk & Accountant	\$1600	to	\$2000 00	annum
Arthur E. Ogden	Clerk	1350	"	1600 00	"
Emma W. Burnstead	Stenographer	1020	"	1200 00	"
Mary E. Harrigan	"	675	"	800 00	"
Gertrude K. Reagan	"	2.00 per day	"	800 00	"
Bessie I. Towne	"	900	"	1020 00	"
Paul Spiessert	Bear Keeper	17.50	" week	21 00	week
William Knight	Blacksmith	3.00	" day	3.50	day
Frederick P. Scanlon	Boy	1.00	" "	1.50	"
Daniel J. Ahern	Carpenter	2.75	" "	3.00	"
John J. Ballem	"	2.75	" "	3.00	"
James C. Dunn	"	3.00	" "	3.25	"
Henry H. Griffin	"	2.75	" "	3.00	"
Joseph A. McCormack	"	3.00	" "	3.50	"
John McNeil	"	3.00	" "	3.50	"
Michael Sullivan 2nd	"	3.00	" "	3.50	"
Henry A. Adolph	Chauffeur	17.50	" week	21.00	week
Louis L. Chenette	"	17.50	" "	21.00	"
Dennis Daly	"	17.50	" "	21.00	"
Frank P. Guthrie	"	17.50	" "	21.00	"
Patrick J. Kielty	"	17.50	" "	21.00	"
Stephen H. McCarthy	"	17.50	" "	21.00	"
Thomas J. Murphy 2d	"	17.50	" "	21.00	"
Andrew Rourke	Concrete moulder	2.75	" day	3.00	day
Michael O'Toole	" "	2.50	" "	2.75	"
Hugh J. Conway	Cooper & Janitor	2.75	" "	3.00	"
Joseph S. Hussey	" "	2.75	" "	3.00	"
Terrence N. Griffin	Custodian	19.25	" week	21.00	week
Peter Barker	Foreman	21.00	" "	1400	year
Bernard J. Conley	"	28.00	" "	1500	"
Michael V. Dailey	"	3.75	" day	4.00	day
William T. Bibbey	"	2.75	" "	3.25	"
John M. Dillon	"	1275	" year	1500	year
William Dowling	"	1275	" "	1400	"
James D. Edgeworth	"	3.75	" day	1400	"
Charles A. Hogan	"	21.00	" week	1400	"
John F. McKernan	"	3.00	" day	3.50	day
John P. O'Connell	"	1200 .00	" year	1400	year
William E. Fischer	Forester	24.50	" week	1400	"
Peter M. McManus	"	3.25	" day	4.00	day
Charles Walters	"	3.25	" "	4.00	"
Thomas J. Murphy 1st	Gardener	2.75	" "	1200	year
Edward V. Power	"	2.50	" "	3.00	day
Michael J. Reardon	"	2.75	" "	3.00	"
John D. Buckley	Gas. Eng. Cp. & Repairer	21.00	" week	22.75	week
Arthur J. Gorham	" " "	21.00	" "	22.75	"
Edward F. Horrigan	" " "	3.00	" day	3.75	day
James A. Walsh	" " "	21.00	" week	22.75	week
Daniel P. Shee	" " "	3.00	" day	3.25	day
William Scanlon	Harnessmaker	3.00	" "	3.50	"
Addie J. Gunn	Head Matron	2.50	" "	900	year
Malachi Kenney	Ironworker	3.00	" "	3.50	day
Gilman J. Raymond	"	3.00	" "	3.25	"
James H. Kelley	Janitor	17.50	" week	21.00	week
Helen J. L. Kennelly	Librarian	10.00	" "	12.00	"
James H. Leonard	Locksmith	2.75	" day	3.00	day
William F. Conklin	Machinist	3.00	" "	3.25	"
Edward J. Doherty	"	3.00	" "	3.25	"
Edward J. Barrett	" helper	2.50	" "	2.75	"
Michael J. Donelan	" "	2.50	" "	2.75	"
James Galvin	" "	2.50	" "	2.75	"
John Glennon	" "	2.75	" "	3.00	"
Frank J. Chinetti	Mason	3.00	" "	3.50	"
John E. Johnson	"	3.00	" "	3.50	"
William J. Barrett	Painter	2.75	" "	3.00	"
John J. Brocks	"	2.75	" "	3.00	"
John H. Condon	"	2.75	" "	3.00	"
Henry C. Farrington	"	2.75	" "	3.00	"
Thomas Kelly	"	2.75	" "	3.00	"
William H. Monahan	"	2.50	" "	2.75	"
Patrick F. O'Brien	"	3.00	" "	3.25	"
Michael J. O'Conner	"	2.75	" "	3.00	"

George P. Quinn	painter	from	\$2.50	per day	to	2.75	per day
Thomas J. Watts	"		2.75	" "	"	3.00	" "
Martin Feeley	Pipefitter		3.00	" "	"	3.50	" "
Thomas Carroll	Playground keeper		17.50	" week		19.25	" week
Jeremiah J. Downey	"	"	17.50	" "		19.25	" "
Patrick F. McNamara	"	"	17.50	" "		19.25	" "
John F. Carlin	Plumber		3.25	" day		3.50	" day
Daniel J. Hurley	"		3.25	" "		3.50	" "
Joseph Klaus	"		3.25	" "		3.50	" "
John J. Leary	Pruner		2.50	" "		2.75	" "
William Flatley	Sodder		2.75	" "		3.00	" "
Joseph J. Rosatto	"		2.50	" "		3.00	" "
John A. Johnson	" & grader		21.00	" week		22.75	" week
John E. Roche	Steamroller Eng'r		3.00	" day		3.50	" day
Patrick F. Ashmore	"		3.00	" "		3.50	" "
John J. Mahoney	"	"	3.00	" "		3.50	" "
John J. Tatten Jr.	"	"	3.00	" "		3.50	" "
John J. McNulty	"	"	2.50	" "		3.00	" "
John Monahan	Sub-foreman mechanics		3.50	" "	1200.00	"	year
James J. Deogue	Watchman		2.50	" "		3.00	" day
John A. Long	Custodian		2.00	" "		3.50	" "
Thomas F. Walsh	Forester		24.50	" week	1400.00	"	year
Aaron G. Parker	Tree climber		2.50	" day		2.75	" day
John F. Costello	Gardener		3.00	" "		3.50	" "
Martin Finaghty	Landscape Gar. & Nurseryman		3.00	" "		3.50	" "
Patrick J. Donoghue	Gardener		3.25	" "		3.50	" "
William H. McGowan	Moth Destroyer		2.50	" "		3.00	" "
William Fanning	Lab. & Playgrd keeper		2.50	" "		2.75	" "
Warren S. Marden	Master Mechanic		1200.00	" year	1400.00	"	Year
James W. Follan	Clerk		3.00	" day		3.50	" day
Michael McNulty	Sub-foreman		3.50	" "		4.00	" "
John J. Cannon	Lifeguard & helper		2.75	" "		3.00	" "
Joseph P. Kilday	Inspector street trees		3.00	" "		3.50	" "

Mr. Shea submitted a communication from Mr Mowbray asking that his residence be connected by telephone, which was approved.

A communication from Mr. Hornaday, offering his congratulations to the board on having secured the services of Arthur B. Baker as Director of the zoological garden, was received and placed on file.

A communication from Philip S. Sears, offering an esquimo dog for the zoological garden, was received and the gift accepted.

A special draft as recorded in special draft book was passed.

*Geo. F. Clarke*  
Secretary

Boston, November 15, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley; also present Messrs. Shea and Putnam. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

An order of the city council requesting the board to communicate with the owners of land adjoining the Forsyth Dental Infirmary, and ascertain at what price they will sell said land to the city, was received and referred to Mr. Shea to see Mr. Forsyth as to how much land it is proposed to acquire.

An order of the city council requesting the board to inform the city council why work has not been commenced on Ward 8 bathhouse, also a petition from the Jolly Boys Club to have the ward room on Blossom street made into a public bathhouse, were received, and Mr. Peabody was requested to draft a report to the mayor on the whole subject of providing gymnastic and bathing facilities in connection with the Ward 8 building.

An order of the city council requesting the board to furnish the city council with an estimate of the cost of planting Governor's Island with trees, in accordance with the plan already prepared, was received and referred to Mr. Shea for report.

A report from Mr. Finigan, requesting to know what policy the board wishes him to follow regarding winter concerts, suggesting certain arrangements, also endorsements of Mr. Howard as director from Wallace Goodrich and others, were received; and it was

VOTED, to engage Mr. Howard's orchestra and Professor Elson as lecturer as formerly.

An order of the city council, accepting the offer made by William Wood of a parcel of land on the northerly side of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad near Hallett street, Neponset, also a letter from Mr. Wood in regard thereto, were received and the secretary was instructed to reply to Mr. Wood.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the application of Charles Fottler to sharpen skates etc. at Franklin Field; and it was

VOTED, to grant the concession on the same terms as last year.

The application of Gilman J. Raymond for the privilege of sharpening skates etc. at Jamaica Pond, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

Special drafts as recorded in special draft book were passed.

*Geo. F. Clarke*  
Secretary

Boston, November 21, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street. Present Messrs. Sullivan and Coakley.

A special draft as recorded in special draft book was passed.

*Geo. F. Clarke*  
Secretary

Boston, November 24, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley; also Mr. Shea and Mr. Putnam. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

An order of the city council authorizing the sale by public auction of the lot adjoining the city greenhouse, Massachusetts avenue between Shirley street and the location of the New England railroad, was received and the chairman was instructed to write to the mayor that the board is loath to part with it without some provision for the use of the proceeds for playground or park purposes.

A communication from the mayor's assistant secretary regarding instructor Brennan's request for an increase in salary, was received and referred to Mr. Shea.

A communication from the street laying-out department, stating

that the property of the Boston Helping Hand Temporary Home for Destitute Jewish Children, on Beech Glen street and Fort avenue, Roxbury, has been taken and an award of \$10,000 therefor, approved by the mayor, was received and placed on file; and it was

VOTED, to sell the building at public auction.

The application of Walter L. Finigan for an increase in salary and change of designation was received and referred to Mr. Shea.

A communication from Mrs. Fowle requesting that an old-fashioned garden and fence be constructed around the Blake House, also request for potted plants was received and referred to Mr. Shea.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the use of the sanitary accommodations at the Lyman School for the adjoining Paris-street playground; and the secretary was instructed to address the school committee in regard to obtaining their consent.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the contract for Copp's Hill Terraces and the amount that will be available on completion of the work; and it was

VOTED, to request the mayor to transfer the balance for work on North End Beach.

Mr. Putnam's report on defective carrying poles for electric light wires across Washington Park was received, and the secretary was instructed to notify the Edison Electric Illuminating Company to remove them.

A communication from the mayor's secretary regarding a communication from the Boston Lodge B.P.O.E., requesting that decorative plants be furnished for its annual memorial services, was received and the secretary was instructed to notify the lodge that the board has no authority to grant the request.

Mr. Putnam submitted a report recommending that Thomas J. Hind be permitted to widen the granolithic walk at 326 Chestnut Hill avenue, and Mr. Shea was instructed to recommend some general policy to cover such cases.

Mr. Putnam submitted a report on the cost of planting trees

and other work on Governor's Island; and the chairman was instructed to reply to the order of the city council requesting an estimate of cost.

Special drafts as recorded in special draft books were passed.

The following proposals for land in Mattapan were received:

Owner	Area	Assessed Value	Price	Location
Roger F. Scannell	250,000 sq.ft.	\$3,250	\$25,000	In Rugby Park
Thomas L. Hayes	155,000 " "	3,000	18,000	Oakland and Bismark streets
Ann J. Raymond Est. R.S.Fitzgerald, Agt.	1,000,000 " "	42,000	#	Blue Hill avenue
Seman Klous property R.S.Fitzgerald, Agt.	656,000 " "	19,700	20,000	River street
Jones' Field T.S.Richardson, Agt.	230,000 " " 200,000 " "	14,100	25,000 20,000	" " " "

# If city will consider property price will be reasonable.

Proposals for eight granite composite plinth blocks for supporting the Custom House columns were received as follows:

Simpson Brothers Corporation	\$481.00
Emerson & Norris Company	785.00

*Geo. F. Helarke*  
*Secretary*

Boston, November 28, 1913

A special meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley, also present Mr. Shea.

VOTED, that, subject to the mayor's approval, the pay of the following named employees be increased to the amounts set against their names, and that the secretary transmit the same to the mayor as separate votes:



Margaret M. Maguire	Telephone Operator	from \$10.00 to \$12.00	per week
William F. Driscoll	Tree Climber	" 2.50 to 3.00	per day
John J. Murphy	Teamster	" 2.50 to 3.00	per day
Agnes C. Cronin	Stenographer	" 2.00 per day to 800.00 per annum	

VOTED, that the pay of the following named employees be increased to the amounts set against their names:

Cornelius Downey	Watchman	from \$17.50 per week to 19.25 " "
Anna C. Pflieger	Telephone Operator	" 10.00 " " " 11.50 " " "
Emma E. Watson	" "	" 10.00 " " " 11.50 " " "
Peter Powers	Rigger	" 2.50 " day " 2.75 " "
Michael J. Grady	" "	" 2.50 " " " 2.75 " " "
Joseph H. Collins	Moth Exterminator	" 2.50 " " " 2.75 " " "
Timothy J. Guiney	Tree Climber	" 2.50 " " " 2.75 " " "
Francis P. J. Kelley	Moth Destroyer	" 2.50 " " " 2.75 " " "
Frank J. O'Toole	Tree Climber	" 2.50 " " " 2.75 " " "
Jeremiah Sweeney	Moth Exterminator	" 2.50 " " " 2.75 " " "
Patrick Connolly	4th Blacksmith's Helper	" 2.50 " " " 2.75 " " "

Special drafts as recorded in special draft book were passed.

Plan of Boston Elevated railroad for temporary track to subway entrance on Commonwealth avenue, by A. L. Plimpton, dated November 28, was approved.

*Geo. F. Clarke*  
Secretary

Boston, December 4, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley, also Messrs. Shea and Putnam. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The following city council orders were received: Transfer of five hundred dollars from the reserve fund for concrete wall at Wood Island Beach Bathhouse, and three hundred dollars for additional land Roslindale Playground; also a transfer from the unexpended balance Printing Department of three thousand dollars for the restoration of Charlesgate West Bridge.

A communication was received from Olmsted Brothers, stating their relation to the Common and other work under employment by the public grounds department, and the chairman was instructed to reply, discontinuing their services after the present work is finished.

Proposals received December 3, for a locker and sanitary building for Rutherford-avenue Playground, in answer to advertisement, were considered and the contract awarded to the lowest bidder. The bids were as follows:

John F. Griffin Co.	\$11,687 00
Williams & Eccleston	12,371 00
Daniel L. Shepard	12,956 00
The Carroll Company	12,977 00
John W. Duff	13,211 00
James E. Nelson Company	13,100 00
Haynes Construction Company	13,300 00
William I. Mabie	13,473 00
M. S. Kelliher	13,580 00
Louis B. Cadario	13,862 00
J. E. Locatelli Co., Inc.	13,990 00
Hapgood, Frost Company	14,543 00

The claim of Margaret E. Fitzgerald for damage to property adjoining Paris-street Playground, recommended by the committee on claims, was approved.

A request of W. A. Murtfeldt Company for a portion of the fifteen per cent. withheld on sanitary building Charlestown Heights, was received and laid over pending their obtaining consent of the surety on their bond.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the request of Thomas J. Hind

to widen the granolithic walk at 326 Chestnut Hill avenue; and it was

VOTED, to authorize the permit.

A communication from the vice-president of the Boston & Albany Railroad, stating, that, under present conditions, they do not feel that they can join in building a new fence from Charlesgate West to Charlesgate East, was received and placed on file.

A report from Mr. McGrath on the use of the swimming pool at Curtis Hall by the Dorchester High School Team on Wednesdays was received; and it was

VOTED, to instruct Mr. McGrath to report a day in which bathing facilities shall be free except for towels and soap.

VOTED, to request the mayor for appropriations from the Parkman Fund for the zoological garden and other purposes, in accordance with the recommendation of Mr. Shea.

A protest from F. G. Powell against the establishment of a moving picture show at the corner of Columbia Road and Blue Hill avenue was received, and the secretary was instructed to reply.

The application of J. Rioussé for position in the park and recreation department was received, and the secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from the Journeymen Horse Shoers International Union, asking that additional members of the union receive an increase, was received and referred to Mr. Shea.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the petition of the Boston Elevated Railway Company to install landings on Commonwealth avenue; and it was

VOTED, to grant permission to the Boston Elevated Railway Company to construct the landings.

A communication was received from the corporation counsel relative to the plan of the Boston Elevated Railway Company for platforms, etc. on Commonwealth avenue at the new subway incline. Mr. Ballantine, counsel for the company, came before the board and explained the object desired by the company, and stated that he would submit a form of order later.

Special drafts as recorded in the special draft books were passed.

A communication from the school committee relative to the use of sanitariums in the Lyman School House, also the use of a room for the storage of playground apparatus, was received and referred to Mr. Shea to see what arrangements can be made with the janitor of the school.

VOTED, to approve Shurtleff's plan for permanent and temporary walks in the vicinity of the proposed Horticultural Building in the Fens, and to authorize their construction as money is appropriated.

*Geo. F. Clarke*  
*Secretary*

Boston, December 6, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley; also present Messrs. Shea and Putnam.

Mr. Ballantine, counsel for the Boston Elevated Railway Company, came before the board and submitted a plan showing track, pole and platform locations at the entrance to the subway in Commonwealth avenue, which would have the effect of closing the opening in the central plantation, opposite Kenmore street, and stated that the company desired permission to rearrange the curbing and establish necessary platforms at landing places. The board took the matter under consideration, and stated that they would confer with the corporation counsel before taking action.

Mr. Peabody stated that, at his suggestion, Mr. Shurtleff was preparing a plan showing what improvements can be made in the vicinity of Prince-street Playground. He also suggested, that, in future, the public buildings department and schoolhouse commission should be asked to co-operate with this department in reference to

municipal buildings, schools, playgrounds, etc.

The chairman was instructed to write to the mayor in reference to the lack of exterior ornament of the new municipal building on Tyler street, on the site adjoining the playground, and request that changes in the plans to accomplish some improvement be made.

The chairman and Mr. Shea were instructed to arrange a parking space for automobiles to be entered from Beaver street, and give public notice.

Mr. Putnam was instructed to study the consolidating of laundry machinery at the North End Beach; and it was

VOTED, to employ G. Henry Desmond as architect to house it.

Mr. Shea was authorized to purchase three old style dump carts.

Plans of the proposed horticultural building, prepared by Mr. Ripley, were received and referred to Mr. Shea to consult with Mr. Farquhar and others.

VOTED, to approve a contract with Thomas J. Shea Company, to furnish labor, teams, etc., for grading, paving and drainage work in the Fens, on a 15% basis.

A communication was received from Mr. Shurtleff suggesting a change in the contour of the valley between the central Burying Ground and the parade ground on the Common, which was placed on file; and the secretary was instructed to send him Messrs. Olmsted Brothers' report on regrading the parade ground.

The application of Peter Gorman, a laborer of 67 years, for retirement, was approved.

VOTED, to authorize C. E. Putnam to travel to New York and Washington, to study matters relating to zoological garden construction.

Special drafts as recorded in the special draft book were passed.

On a report and recommendation from Mr. Finigan, it was

VOTED, to engage the Howard-Tufts String Trio and the Benedict-Fitzgerald String Trio for the concerts on December 16 and

January 21, respectively.

*Geo. F. Clarke*  
*Secretary*

Boston, December 11, 1913

A special meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 11 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan and Coakley.

A special draft for W. A. Murtfeldt Co., as recorded in the special draft book, was passed. Copp's Hill Playground work.

*Geo. F. Clarke*  
*Secretary*

Boston, December 13, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley, also Mr. Shea. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

A communication was received from Olmsted Brothers relative to suspension of further improvements on Boston Common and services of Messrs. Koehler, Chapman and DePue. Mr. Shea was authorized to take the matter up with Messrs. Koehler and Chapman to see under what arrangements they can be employed by the department.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the request of Allen & Fox Express Company to drive an express wagon through Audubon Road, from Beacon street to Boylston street and Brookline avenue; and it was

VOTED, to amend the general rules adopted August 31, 1903, and subsequently amended, by inserting in rule 4 after the words "west

of the Fens" the words,- the road across Audubon Road bridge connecting Brookline avenue with Beacon street.

A report from Mr. Finigan recommending the engagement of the Boston Concert Band for Christmas Eve celebration on Boston Common, and Frank O'Shea as extra usher at indoor concerts, was received and the recommendation was approved.

A request of Thomas H. Casey for increase of pay was received and referred to Mr. Shea.

An offer was received from James M. Gordon of land adjoining Portsmouth street Playground; and the secretary was instructed to reply.

VOTED, that the city treasurer be requested to pay to Catherine Murphy, widow of Dennis P. Murphy, the amount due him on pay roll December 30, 1897.

City Council orders requesting that arrangements be made for skating on Washington Park and John Winthrop Playground; also a communication from the Mattapan Improvement Association requesting that skating be provided on Norfolk-street Playground, with petitions for the same, were received and referred to Mr. Shea.

Special drafts as recorded in the special draft book were passed.

A sketch for the arrangement of Ward 19 playground, prepared by Mr. Shurtleff and dated December 8 was approved.

A communication from Mr. Shurtleff regarding an increase in salary was received and laid over.

VOTED, that the pay of Margaret H. Maguire, telephone operator, be increased from \$12.00 per week to \$14.00 per week.

A recommendation from Mr. McGrath for increase of pay for James W. Hurley, collector, was received and referred to Mr. Shea.

*Geo. F. Kelaker*  
Secretary

Boston, December 18, 1913

A special meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan and Peabody.

Proposals for furnishing and laying brick for a shelter at Franklin Park yard were received as follows:

John F. Griffin Co.	\$544 00
Hapgood, Frost & Co.	550 00
Louis B. Cadario	566 00
James H. Fannon	800 00
Walter H. Preble Co.	875 00

VOTED, to accept the proposal of John F. Griffin Company, the lowest bidder.

Special drafts as recorded in the special draft book were passed.

*Geo. F. Clarke*  
Secretary

Boston, December 20, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley; also present Mr. Shea. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

A communication from the United States Treasury Department, accepting the offer of the board to remove the twelve Custom House columns, was received and placed on file.

A proposal from M. J. Connolly to remove twelve columns from the Custom House and erect eight of them at the Zoological Garden, for \$1750.00, was received and laid over pending the approval of the mayor to the making of a contract without advertising for bids.

A communication from the Edison Electric Illuminating Company, regarding the cost of extension of service to the Christmas Tree, was received and the proposal accepted.

VOTED, to accept the proposal of Herbert S. Potter for the



electrical work on the Christmas Tree, for \$850.00.

A communication was received from the mayor's assistant secretary, regarding the parcel of land on Hyde Park avenue leased from Harvard College by a local committee, the use of which is offered to the city; and the matter was referred to Mr. Shea for report.

A petition from residents for tree planting on Norfolk street, Dorchester, also a communication from Charles J. Lennon for shade trees on Hyde Park avenue were received and referred to Mr. Putnam to prepare an estimate of the cost.

A communication from the Readville Improvement Association, regarding the location for a playground on the Metropolitan Park Reservation in the Readville district of Hyde Park, was received and referred to Mr. Shea for report.

Special drafts as recorded in the special draft book were passed.

A report from Mr. McGrath, recommending that two rowing machines be purchased for use in the East Boston Gymnasium, was received; and it was

VOTED, to approve the recommendation.

*Geo. F. Clarke*  
Secretary

Boston, December 27, 1913.

A special meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley.

Special drafts as recorded in special draft book were passed.

Boston, January 3, 1914

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley; also Messrs. Shea and Putnam. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

A communication from H. G. Ripley regarding the substitution of copper roof for tile on loggia of Copp's Hill Terraces was received and it was

VOTED, to approve the substitution of copper for tile roof, and to ascertain what the extra expense would be if the city takes the tile off the contractor's hands.

A communication from the board of health containing a list of caretakers and matrons at convenience stations transferred to this department by the city council was received.

A communication from Putnam, Putnam and Bell, in regard to changes in grade of Charlesgate West opposite Hotel Canterbury, authorizing the raising of the wall and fence on the hotel property, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from the board of health, in reference to the Franklin Square urinal coming within the provisions of Section 6 of Chapter 10 of the ordinances of 1912, as amended by the recent ordinance, was received and placed on file.

The mayor's approval of the employment of G. Henri Desmond to make necessary changes in the laundry at North End Beach, to consolidate all the laundry work there, was received.

A communication from the Street Laying-Out department for decision regarding request to take a strip of land for the widening of Seaver street, was received and Mr. O'Callahan, Secretary of the Board of Street Commissioners, came before the board. The board informed Mr. O'Callahan that it favors a reservation for cars inside of the park for most of the way. Mr. Hile of the Elevated Railway also was present and said he would report to the company and obtain from them an answer as to what the company would be willing to do. Later the mayor appeared and conferred with the chairman in regard to the matter.

A communication and design from Mr. Austin for a sign and post at Jamaica Pond, with proposal from Irving and Casson, was received and laid over.

A communication from the Dorchester Historical Society regarding repairs to the Blake House and a fence or hedge was received.

Mr. Mowbray's report suggesting the construction at Marine Park of an out-door pool for fish was referred to Mr. Putnam to make a plan and estimate of cost.

VOTED, to instruct Mr. Ripley to consider changes in the refectory building, to fit it for use as one of the zoological buildings.

Petitions from the owners of the frontage on the Riverway north or west of Brookline avenue to amend the restrictions on the land by reducing the set back from twenty-five feet to twenty feet, together with a report from Mr. Putnam, were received and a communication was sent to the mayor with recommendation.

A plan of the vicinity of the Parkman Memorial, dated December 31, 1913, was received from Mr. Shurtleff, and it was

VOTED, to accept the plan.

Mr. Putnam's report on the cost of planting trees on Norfolk avenue, as petitioned for by Charles A. Ufford and others, was received and placed on file.

A request of William J. Barrett for payment for lost time on account of an injury received by him while in the performance of his duty was received and referred to Mr. Shea for investigation and report.

A communication from the Coin Controlling Lock Company, regarding the operation of its coin device on convenience stations on the Common and Public Garden, and proportion of receipts from same allowed the city, was received and placed on file.

A petition for skating at the Parker Hill Reservoir, also a request of the Roslindale Community Club, that Forest Hills Playground be flooded for skating, were received and referred to Mr. Shea.

Special drafts as recorded in special draft book were passed.  
Adjourned to January 5 at 5 P.M.

*Geo. F. Clarke*  
*Secretary*

Boston, January 5, 1914

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 5 P.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley; also Mr. Shea and Mr. Putnam.

VOTED, that the bill of John C. Kiley for services in connection with the purchase of the property belonging to the Helping Hand Temporary Home for Destitute Jewish Children be approved.

A report from Mr. Finigan on the orchestras to be engaged for the municipal dances to be held January 7 was received; and it was

VOTED, to approve their employment.

VOTED, to approve the employment of Messrs. Chapman and DeFue of the Olmsted force, as recommended in Mr. Shea's report of December 26, and to request the mayor's approval of said employment.

VOTED, to request the mayor's approval to the appointment of Mary E. Perkins as matron.

VOTED, subject to the mayor's approval, to increase the pay of Joseph P. Howe, gardener and greenkeeper, 22 Hyde Park avenue, Ward 23, from \$19.25 per week to \$1200 per year.

VOTED, subject to the mayor's approval; to increase the pay of Patrick J. Gorman, chief engineer at the Aquarium, 1 Seymour street, Ward 23, from \$1200 to \$1400 per year.

Estimates for the ensuing year, as called for by the mayor's circular No. 60, were adopted.

VOTED, to approve the plan for widening Seaver street, from Walnut avenue to Humboldt avenue, and to instruct Mr. Putnam to prepare a plan for the same and a reservation for street cars inside of the park from Humboldt avenue to Blue Hill avenue.

Special drafts, as recorded in the special draft book, were passed.

VOTED, subject to the mayor's approval, to increase the pay of Louis L. Mowbray, Director of the Aquarium, from \$2500.00 to \$3000.00 per annum, from January 1, 1914.

VOTED, subject to the mayor's approval, to increase the salary of Arthur A. Shurtleff, advisory landscape architect, from \$1300 to \$2500 per annum, from January 1, 1914.

*Geo. F. Clarke*  
*Secretary*

Boston, January 10, 1914

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 53 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley, also Messrs. Shea and Putnam. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

An order of the city council requesting that Mt. Ida Playground be named Ronan Playground was received and laid over.

An order of the city council requesting that the parade ground in front of the Overlook, Franklin Park, be flooded for skating, also that Parker Hill Reservoir be prepared for skating, was received and the chairman was instructed to reply.

A communication from the Street Laying-Out Department stating an agreement to pay \$271.25 to J. F. Krokyn, for taking land on Chelsea court, East Boston, was received. The appropriation being exhausted, the chairman was instructed to notify the mayor and ask for a transfer to cover the deficiency.

VOTED, to send Mr. Mowbray to Philadelphia for fish.

VOTED, to authorize Mr. Mowbray to make arrangements for securing fish to an amount not to exceed five hundred dollars.

VOTED, to approve the retirement of Daniel McQuarrie.

A communication from W. D. Austin, regarding bill of John

Evans & Company, for \$1227.00, for models and carving wood ornament at the Bird House, was received, and it was

VOTED, to approve the extra work done, in accordance with Evans & Company's bill.

A letter from Annie K. Brown, regarding granite subway entrances on the Common, was received and the secretary was directed to acknowledge the same.

A report from Mr. Finigan regarding schedule of concerts for the remainder of the season was received, and it was

VOTED, to approve the expenditure of four thousand dollars, a full schedule of the concerts to be prepared and reported to the board.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the request of the mayor's assistant secretary for a report on the proposition of establishing a playground on Hyde Park avenue, and the chairman was instructed to reply.

A request from Leo C. Knebel, instructor in D-street Gymnasium, for an increase in salary, was received; and it was

VOTED, subject to the mayor's approval, to increase the pay of the following named employees to the amounts set against their names; and that the secretary transmit them to the mayor as separate votes:

Leo C. Knebel	Instructor	from \$1000	to \$1200	per year
Henry J. Brennan	"	1000	1200	" "
James F. Winston	"	1000	1200	" "

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the communication from Edward E. Moore, stating that it had been suggested to the mayor that Rugby Park be flooded for skating. Mr. Shea's report, that it will be inadvisable on account of the expense, was placed on file.

Mr. Putnam's approval to the location of proposed conduit for electric light in Woodland and Rockland avenues adjoining Savin Hill Park was received, and the secretary was instructed to issue a permit.

A request of the Women's Municipal League, that the bill for constructing a drain in the Boy Scouts Garden playground be re-

mitted, was received and referred to Mr. Shea with full power.

Special draft for bill of John F. McCarthy, for services at the Zoological Garden, was passed.

The application of the Bath Department Union Local No. 310 for increase in wages of swimming instructors and mechanics, also Mr. Shea's report on the request of the Journeymen Horse Shoers International Union, were received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from the Department of the Interior regarding elk was received and referred to Mr. Baker.

Mr. Shea's report, recommending that automobiles use the space at the Refectory, Franklin Park, for parking purposes, was received and placed on file.

A communication from John C. Phillips, and other correspondence in reference to a whooping crane, also Mr. Shea's report on Mr. Baker's request for money to purchase animals, were considered; and it was

VOTED, to refer the matter of the whooping crane to Mr. Baker, and to appropriate one thousand dollars for the purchase of animals, also to authorize Mr. Baker to place tablets on exhibits indicating donations, when sufficiently important.

Mr. McGrath's letter in regard to a skating carnival and swimming meets was referred to Mr. Shea with full power.

VOTED, to increase the pay of the following named firemen in the employ of the department, subject to the approval of the mayor, from \$17.50 per week of seven days to \$19.88 per seven-day week, and that the secretary transmit the names to the mayor as separate votes:

Patrick F. Taylor  
Neil Grant  
Thomas J. Lynch

VOTED, to increase the pay of the following named employees to the amounts set against their names:

Thomas H. Joyce	Fireman	from \$2.50	to \$2.84	per day
Bernard J. Fay	"	" 2.50	" 2.84	" "
Jeremiah Crowley	"	" 2.50	" 2.75	" "

Mr. Putnam submitted an estimate of the cost of changes in stairways and walls at Copp's Hill Terraces, which was discussed and the matter was referred to Mr. Shurtleff to prepare a plan.

VOTED, to increase the pay of the following named employees to the amounts set against their names, subject to the approval of the mayor, and that the secretary transmit the names to the mayor as separate votes:

John A. Martin	Aquarium Attendant	from \$17.50 to \$19.25	per week
Michael Glynn	Stableman	" 17.50 " 19.25	per week
Thomas J. Delaney	Laborer (Zoo)	" 17.50 " 19.25	per week
Michael Gorman	" (in stable)	" 17.50 " 19.25	per week
John J. Sullivan	Zoo Attendant	" 17.50 " 19.25	per week
Julius Weidner	Sub-foreman	" 24.50 " 28.00	per week

*Geo. F. Belarke*  
Secretary

Boston, January 16, 1914

A special meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 3 P.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan and Peabody, also Mr. Shea.

A hearing was given by the board to a committee of the Mattapan Improvement Association and others, on the question of the location of the Mattapan playground. Three sites were suggested, Jones Field, the Hayes lot and Rugby Park.

The opinion expressed at the meeting was divided, no particular site being generally favored, those present being satisfied to leave the question of location to be settled by the commissioners.

*Geo. F. Belarke*  
Secretary



Boston, January 17, 1914

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 35 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley; also present Messrs. Shea, Putnam and Baker. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

Bills of John C. Kiley, for services in connection with the taking of Savin Hill Beach land and Tenean Beach land, were approved.

The plan of the Savin Hill Beach taking was approved to include upland in rear of the Lyons estate.

A proposal of John F. Griffin Company, to build a retaining wall under the end of the shelter at Rutherford-avenue playground, for \$103.00, was accepted.

A report and recommendation from Walter L. Finigan, regarding concert orchestra enlargement, the engagement of certain orchestras and string trios, also suggesting schedules for February, March and April, was approved.

A report from W. L. Finigan, recommending that certain orchestras be engaged for the municipal assemblies to be held January 21, was approved. Also,

VOTED, to approve the employment of Stone's Military Band at the Skating Carnival January 16.

Special drafts as recorded in special draft book were passed.

Notices from the street commissioners of the taking of land on Delhi street, for the Norfolk-street Playground, and of Tenean Beach, were received and placed on file.

An opinion of the corporation counsel, as to the authority of the board with regard to the erection of a horticultural building in the Fens, was received and placed on file.

A vote of the committee on claims, recommending settlement of the claim of Angelo Di Pietro, for injuries received at the bathing beach North End, was received and referred to the corporation counsel for an opinion as to the authority of the board to approve it.

The following proposals were accepted:

Frank E. Woodward & Company for installing hot water pipes to the men's sanitary at the winter bird house for \$210, and for radiator in the north vestibule for \$55.00.

Burke Brothers for building a screen partition in the opening between the large room and the parrot room, for \$416.00.

I. L. Matson for electrical work in the bird cage for \$97.00.

VOTED, to approve Mr. Austin's bill for extra services in connection with the change of the general contractor for the bird house from Carroll Construction Company to the Fidelity & Casualty Company of New York.

VOTED, to recommend to the mayor and committee on the Parkman Fund the disposition of the balance now available as follows:

Improvement of the golf links	\$10,000 00
Horticultural Building foundations	25,000 00
Zoological Garden and Aquarium, the balance of about	20,000 00

Mr. Putnam submitted an estimate of the cost of grading and draining the three sites for a playground in Mattapan suggested by the committee at the meeting on January 16; and it was

VOTED, to request the street commissioners to take the Thomas L. Hayes lot, on Oakland street and the midland division of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad, for a playground in Mattapan, as shown on the plan for said playground, entitled Study No. 6, dated November 1913.

VOTED, to increase the pay of the following named employees to the amounts set against their names:

Martin J. Clougherty	Boatman & Painter				
	Life Guard & Helper	from \$2.75	to \$2.95	per day	
Carmine Cataldo	Laborer	"	2.50	"	2.75 " "
John J. McManus	Tree Climber	"	2.50	"	2.75 " "
Joseph E. Denton	Life Guard & Helper	"	2.75	"	2.95 " "
Thomas J. Shannon	Janitor	"	2.50	"	2.75 " "
Philip A. Monahan	Moth Destroyer	"	2.50	"	2.75 " "
Thomas H. Casey	Janitor	"	2.50	"	2.75 " "
Joseph Sullivan	Life Guard & Helper	"	2.50	"	2.75 " "
Joseph F. Goode	Swimming Instructor	"	2.50	"	2.75 " "
Patrick F. Burke, Jr.	Life Guard & Helper	"	2.50	"	2.75 " "

VOTED, that in addition to the track and pole locations granted on October 25, 1913, by vote of this board, to the West End Street Railway Company, on Commonwealth avenue, Beacon street and Brookline avenue, permission is hereby granted to said Company to

rearrange curbing and construct necessary platforms at landing places on said Commonwealth avenue, Beacon street and Brookline avenue, so far as the jurisdiction of this Board may extend, all as shown on a plan dated September 15, 1913, signed by A. L. Plimpton, Civil Engineer, filed in the office of this Board and marked A.

Said Company shall construct the said platforms in such manner and of such materials as this Board shall determine; shall keep the same in good condition satisfactory to this Board; shall not remove the said platforms until, and shall remove them and restore the surface of the ground to a condition satisfactory to this Board when directed by this Board so to do; and that in continued violation of any of the foregoing requirements, after notice, said Board may remove said platforms at the expense of said Company.

All work under this permit shall be done to the satisfaction of this Board.

This permit is granted under the same conditions as to filing a bond as are contained in the said vote of October 25, 1913.

*Geo. F. Clarke*  
Secretary

Boston, January 24, 1914

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan and Peabody, also Messrs. Shea and Putnam.

A communication from John Parkinson relative to taxes on estate hired by the department for playground purposes, was received and placed on file.

A bill of John C. Kiley for services in connection with sites for a playground in Hyde Park, with copy of a report made

to the mayor, was received and the bill approved.

A communication from H. G. Ripley in reference to alterations of the Refectory Building for purposes of the zoological garden, was received and placed on file.

Mr. Putnam's report on Smith & Lovett's claim, under their contract for iron work for the bears' dens, was received and laid over.

Mr. Shea's recommendation that S. I. Hudgens' petition for burro privileges be granted was laid over.

Mr. Shea's report on the letter from the mayor's assistant secretary, enclosing letter from Nellie J. Breed requesting wood for the Blake House, was referred to the chairman for reply.

Mr. Shea's report on the offer of W. A. Snow Iron Works for work at the deer and elk ranges was received; and it was

VOTED, to accept the proposal.

The retirement application of Michael F. Kelley, a veteran, was laid over.

An order of the city council appropriating \$10,000 from the income of the Parkman Fund for golf links, Franklin Park, was received and placed on file.

Mr. Putnam submitted an estimate of the cost of changes in the lower terrace and stairways at Copp's Hill Terraces, according to Mr. Shurtleff's plan, and Mr. Putnam was instructed to make plans for the work in order to obtain bids.

A communication from Hill, Barlow and Homans, requesting that the taking of the Hayes land for the Mattapan Playground be held up, and offering the Scannell lot at a reduced price, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from Mr. Austin, suggesting changes in the heating system of the bird house, to cost \$152.00, also two radiators in the west wing of the bird house, to cost \$110.00, was received and the recommendations were approved.

Special drafts as recorded in special draft book were passed.

*Geo. F. Kellogg*  
Secretary

Boston, January 29, 1914

A special meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan and Peabody.

Mr. Shurtleff's plan for Boston Common improvement was considered; and it was

VOTED, to allow him to use for a meeting of the Boston Society of Architects, plans and photographs of the parks and playgrounds, also, tentatively, the plan for improving the Common.

VOTED, to authorize Mr. Shurtleff to make a model of Copley square.

A plan for laying out Copley square was received from J. Pickering Putnam.

The retirement of Michael F. Kelley, a veteran, was approved.

Special drafts as recorded in the special draft book were passed.

*Geo. F. Kellogg*  
Secretary

Boston, January 31, 1914

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan and Peabody. The records of the last meeting also of special meetings were read and approved.

A communication from Mr. Ripley, submitting plans for a horticultural building, was received and placed on file.

Votes of the committee on claims, recommending settlements of the claims for personal injuries of Charles E. Maxfield, Angelo DiPietro, Peter Gorman, and Peter J. Mullen were received, the Corporation Counsel having given his opinion that the city is not liable; and it was

VOTED, not to approve the settlements recommended by the com-

mittee.

A communication from the street laying-out department, stating its action in taking land for Savin Hill Playground, was received and placed on file.

An order of the city council authorizing the sale of two Aveling and Porter steam road rollers was received; and it was VOTED, to sell the same by public auction.

An order of the city council appropriating \$1500 from the Parkman Fund for transportation and incidental expenses on account of the zoo and aquarium, was received and placed on file.

A request of the women's municipal league for further assistance in providing gardens similar to the boy scout garden, was received and placed on file.

A notice from Stoneman, Gould and Stoneman, attorneys for J. C. Coleman and Sons Company, of financial loss on account of the decision not to proceed with work of drainage and grading Mt. Ida playground, was received and placed on file.

A design from the Boston Badge Company for badges for employees in various departments was approved, and the secretary was instructed to secure prices.

Mr. Shea's report and recommendation on the application of S. I. Hudgens for the burro privilege was received, and laid over.

A special draft as recorded in special draft book was passed.

A communication from Mr. Ripley in regard to the completion of work on the shelter at Orchard Park was received and placed on file.

Orders of the city council authorizing the transfer of \$2000.00 from the reserve fund to an appropriation for Tenean Beach, buildings, plans; also that \$35,000.00 be appropriated from the Parkman Fund as follows:

Completion of work on Commonwealth avenue	\$5,000 00
Fens improvements	5,000 00
Horticultural Building Foundation	25,000 00

were received and placed on file.

*Geo. F. Helarke*  
Secretary

Boston, February 6, 1914

A special meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street. Present Messrs. Sullivan and Peabody, also Mr. Shea.

Special drafts as recorded in special draft book were passed.

A report from Mr. Shea on the offer of the Marmon Company to sell a 1914-52 Touring car for \$3000.00 and take an old Columbia car now in storage as part payment was received and laid over.

Mr. McGrath's report on hiring Mechanics Building for an athletic meet, February 27, for \$400.00 was received together with Mr. Shea's endorsement; and it was

VOTED, to approve it.

The following proposals to furnish and erect iron or steel fences on walls and ledges at the bear cages in Franklin Park were received:

Vulcan Rail & Construction Co.	\$225 00
Broad Gauge Iron Works	272 25
Wright Wire Company	342 00
W. A. Snow Iron Works, Inc.	357 00
Shawmut Iron & Wire Works	1160 00

and it was

VOTED, to accept the proposal of the Vulcan Rail and Construction Company.

*Geo. F. Delarke*  
Secretary

Boston, February 9, 1914

A special meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9.30 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan and Peabody.

Special draft as recorded in special draft book was passed.

A request of the Boston Elevated Railway Company, as attorney for the West End Street Railway Company, for a location for one pole on Commonwealth avenue near Brighton avenue, was received and

referred to Mr. Shea.

*Geo. F. Clarke*  
*Secretary*

Boston, February 14, 1914

A special meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan and Peabody.

On the application of the Boston Elevated Railway Company, it was

VOTED, that permission be granted to the West End Street Railway Company to erect, maintain and use one pole in Commonwealth avenue near Brighton avenue to support the wires of its electric system, substantially as shown by red dot on plan of A. I. Plimpton, Civil Engineer, dated January 22, 1914, and filed with its application for this permit, said pole to be in place of an existing pole of the Edison Electric Illuminating Company, also to attach its wires and cables to said new pole and to make the underground and surface alterations of the street necessary to establish said pole and wires, subject to all the conditions of the permit to be issued herewith.

Special drafts as recorded in special draft book were passed.

The claim of Arcangelo Faeillo for compensation for eleven days' time lost, owing to injury occurring while in the performance of his duties, was approved.

VOTED, to approve Mr. Shea's recommendation to replace with steel tanks six wooden tanks on the old road sprinklers.

Mr. Hudgens' application for the burro privilege at Marine Park was taken up and Mr. Shea was instructed to look into the question of a municipally conducted service.

Mr. Putnam's report on Mr. Murtfeldt's request that the board take the Copp's Hill building off his hands, recommending that the board assume the care of the building, with the understanding that



it is not to be considered an acceptance of the same under the contract. Mr. Putnam's report was accepted, and Mr. Shea was instructed to make arrangements to occupy the building.

A report was received from Mr. McGrath, with accompanying letter from F. F. Dimick, relative to the city's acquiring from him the property at the corner of Condor and Meridian streets, East Boston, where the floating bathhouses and rafts are stored, which was placed on file.

*Geo. F. Helander*  
Secretary

Boston, February 17, 1914

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 35 Beacon Street at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley, also Mr. Shea. The records of the last meeting, also special meetings, were read and approved.

Mr. Shea submitted Mr. Mowbray's resignation as director of the Aquarium, also Mr. Mowbray's note to him withdrawing it, and it VOTED, not to accept Mr. Mowbray's resignation.

A hearing was given to Mr. Mowbray on notice of intention to discharge him for reasons of inefficiency and conduct injurious to the discipline of the department. Mr. Mowbray said that he objected to the charge of inefficiency as it would affect his reputation with regard to his ability to conduct an aquarium properly. He admitted the other charge and said that the board was entitled to its view as to whether it was sufficient cause for discharge. He further stated, that, in the event of his discharge, he was entitled to two weeks' vacation last year, and vacation accrued this year which ends May 1.

The board took the matter under consideration, and subsequently VOTED, that Louis L. Mowbray be discharged for conduct injuri-

ous to the discipline of the department, to take effect two weeks from date.

A request of the Concrete and Expanded Metal Construction Company, for permission to haul building material on the Riverway drive, from Ruggles street to the building they are erecting on the Riverway at Brookline avenue, was received; and it was

VOTED, to grant the permit.

*Geo. F. Clarke*  
*Secretary*

Boston, February 18, 1914

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners to confer with the mayor was held at the mayor's office at 4.30 P.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan, Peabody and Coakley.

A special draft in favor of M. J. Connelly, see special draft book, was passed.

*Geo. F. Clarke*  
*Secretary*

Boston, February 21, 1914

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 53 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Sullivan and Peabody; also present Messrs. Shea and Putnam. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

Special drafts as recorded in special draft book were passed.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the claim of P. M. McDonald, of damage to the property of his client, Matilda McIlvenney, of 16

Clapp street, by water from the Massachusetts avenue playground, recommending that filling be done on the boundary, which was approved.

The claim of Paolino Dikarino for compensation for eleven days' lost time, owing to injury while in the performance of his duties, was approved.

*Geo. F. Helander*  
*Secretary*

Boston, February 28, 1914

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 35 Beacon street at 9 A.M., John M. Minton appointed acting chairman by the Mayor presiding. Present Messrs. Minton, Peabody and Coakley, also present Deputy Commissioner Shea. On motion of Mr. Peabody, Mr. Coakley was appointed secretary pro tem. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

By direction of the Mayor, inasmuch as the financial condition of the city would not permit of the further employment of George F. Clarke as secretary, it was

VOTED, that George F. Clarke be suspended for a period not exceeding five months from February 28, 1914.

VOTED, that, inasmuch as the financial condition of the city would not permit of the further employment of

James W. Chapman, entomologist  
Chalmers W. DePue, soil expert  
Arthur A. Shurtleff, advisory landscape architect  
Charles G. Lawrence, accountant  
Theodore W. Souther, assistant engineer  
Harry A. Norman, rodman  
George W. H. Timson, clerk

they be suspended for five months, on account of the direction of the Mayor, and that they be notified in writing to this effect.

VOTED, inasmuch as the financial condition of the city would not permit of the further employment of the following named persons,-

Dr. Sarah Mulvanity  
 Dr. George F. Keenan  
 Dr. Francis D. Donoghue  
 Dr. Elmer L. Brine  
 Dr. Edward J. Denning  
 Dr. Loretta Joy Cummins  
 Dr. Edward A. Supple  
 Dr. John M. Kelly  
 Dr. Daniel J. O'Shea  
 Dr. Aubrey J. Collins

that they be discharged, on account of the direction of the mayor, and that they be notified in writing to this effect.

On motion of Mr. Coakley, it was

VOTED, that Arthur E. Ogden be elected acting secretary.

Special drafts as recorded in special draft book were passed.

*Arthur E. Ogden  
 Acting Secretary*

Boston, March 7, 1914

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Minton and Peabody, also present Deputy Commissioner Shea. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The acting secretary submitted reports on playgrounds and other property leased by the department, which were laid over.

The acting secretary submitted a report on concessions and privileges granted by the department, which was laid over.

The acting secretary submitted a report to the effect that the following named persons had been notified in writing of their suspension for a period of five months from February 28, 1914:

George F. Clarke  
 James W. Chapman  
 Chalmers W. DePue  
 Arthur A. Shurtleff  
 Charles G. Lawrence  
 Theodore W. Souther  
 Harry A. Norman  
 George W. H. Timson

in accordance with the instructions of the board at the meeting

February 26, 1914.

VOTED, that, inasmuch as the financial condition of the city will not permit of the continuance of the indoor concerts for the month of April, they be discontinued.

VOTED, that, inasmuch as the financial condition of the city would not permit of the further employment of the following named pianists:

Lillian Mountain  
 Catherine F. Bogan  
 Mary F. Boudreau  
 Anna Briston  
 Bella E. Crawford  
 Mary J. E. Eide  
 Marie Glavin  
 Annie M. Kelly  
 Mary V. Murphy  
 Ida G. Denney  
 Matilda F. Ractliffe

they be discharged, on account of the direction of the mayor, and that they be notified in writing to this effect.

The acting secretary submitted a report that the following named persons were notified in writing on February 28, 1914, of their discharge:

Dr. Sarah Mulvanity  
 Dr. George F. Keenan  
 Dr. Francis D. Donoghue  
 Dr. Elmer L. Brine  
 Dr. Edward J. Denning  
 Dr. Loretta Joy Cummins  
 Dr. Edward A. Supple  
 Dr. John M. Kelly  
 Dr. Daniel J. O'Shea  
 Dr. Aubrey J. Collins

A communication was received from George F. Shepard, inquiring as to the decision of the board regarding the bronze tablet for the Parkman Memorial bandstand, for which he was authorized to make drawings, which was laid over.

The retirement application of James E. Bean, carpenter, was presented to the board and approved.

Special drafts as recorded in special draft book were passed.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the request of Miss Stevens that the bill for sewer connection at the Boy Scout Gardens be abated, which was referred back to Mr. Shea.

A notice was received from the mayor's office of a permit

granted to John J. Paget to maintain swanboats and rowboats on the pond in the Public Garden, for the season of 1914, for which he had deposited with the city collector \$300.00; and it was

VOTED, to approve the concession, subject to the report of Mr. Shea on the service furnished by Mr. Paget.

Reports from Mr. Putnam and Mr. Shurtleff on plans "A" and "B" for the development of Mt. Ida playground, with a communication from Stoneman, Gould & Stoneman regarding compensation to the contractor, due to the decision of the board not to proceed with the work under contract with J. C. Coleman & Sons Company, for grading, drainage and retaining walls, were received and laid over.

VOTED, that Henry H. Griffin be appointed in charge of the L-street baths, in place of Michael F. Kelly, pensioned.

VOTED, subject to the mayor's approval, to increase the pay of Henry H. Griffin, custodian, 36 Rockford street, Ward 17, from \$5.00 per day to \$1200.00 per annum.

Blueprints, showing value of land in the neighborhood of the city greenhouses and storage yards, were presented to the board and laid over.

A communication from the president of the Dorchester Club, acknowledging the communication from this board notifying the club that the department intends to vacate the premises occupied by it, and would like to be relieved of any obligation which the city is under to pay rent after February 28, was received, and the acting secretary was instructed to communicate with Tilton S. Bell, President Dorchester Club, and see what action the Dorchester Club took at its meeting on March 3.

A communication from Mayor Curley, transmitting a petition signed by R. S. Fitzgerald and L. R. Sullivan, representing Ward 20, requesting that Mt. Ida playground be named Ronan Park, was received and placed on file.

VOTED, that the city treasurer be requested to pay to Richard J. Lane, son of John P. Lane, deceased, the amount due John P. Lane on the payrolls of this department.

Mr. Howard F. Brock, representing the Boston Post, came before

the board, with reference to the intention of the Boston Post of raising a subscription for the presentation of the three Orford performing elephants to the Boston Zoo: and the matter was referred to Messrs. Peabody, Shea and Baker, to consider the offer and prepare an estimate of the cost of building temporary quarters.

The acting chairman presented the matter of uniforms for park employees, and it was recommended that he see the mayor as to the advisability of having the employees pay for their uniform.

*Arthur E. Oades*  
Acting Secretary

Boston, March 14, 1914

A meeting of the board of park and recreation commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 12.30 P.M. Present Messrs. Dillon and Minton.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

A communication from the mayor, designating John M. Minton to serve as commissioner of the park and recreation department until such time as a permanent appointee has been made, same to take effect from 12 M. of this date, was received and placed on file.

The acting secretary submitted a report that the following named persons were notified in writing of their discharge on March 7, 1914:

Lillian Mountain  
Catherine F. Bogan  
Mary F. Boudreau  
Anna Briston  
Bella E. Crawford  
Mary J. E. Eide  
Marie Glavin  
Annie M. Kelly  
Mary V. Murphy  
Ida G. Denney  
Matilda F. Ractliffe

VOTED, that inasmuch as the financial condition of the city would not warrant the further employment of the following named employees:

Charles M. Sherman  
Joseph P. Kilday  
John A. Martin  
St. George S. M. Tucker  
Frank Drewett

they be suspended for a period of five months beginning Tuesday, March 17, 1914, on account of the direction of the mayor, and that they be notified in writing to this effect.

A communication from the mayor was received relative to the transfer of janitors to the public buildings department, which was placed on file.

The approval of the mayor was received to the discontinuance of the showers at the Copley School, Charlestown, and of the April Indoor Concerts, which was placed on file.

A communication was received from the Mayor, directing the cancellation of agreements for the hire of several lots of land used as playgrounds.

VOTED, that, inasmuch as the financial condition of the city would not permit of the renting of Dummy Field, John Parkinson playground and Massachusetts-avenue playground, the agreements with the owners be cancelled.

A communication from the mayor, advising the cancelling of the agreement existing with the library department for the use of a portion of the refectory building, Franklin Park, as a branch library, was referred to the chairman to take the matter up with the library department.

A communication from the mayor, relative to changing the name of Mt. Ida playground to "Ronan Park," was received, and it was recommended that the chairman present to the Mayor the former views of the department in the matter of naming parks and squares in honor of living men, and it was

VOTED, with the approval of His Honor, the Mayor, to change the name of Mt. Ida playground to "Ronan Park."

Executive Circular No. 2, allowing a half holiday, without loss of pay, on Evacuation Day, March 17, 1914, to all city employees participating in the parade in observance of the same, was



received; and it was

VOICED, to comply with the request.

Mr. C. E. Putnam's report on the cost of stable and yard for three elephants at Franklin Park was received and placed on file.

The retirement application of Gilman J. Raymond, ironworker, was presented to the board and approved.

Special drafts as recorded in the special draft book were passed.

A communication from Robert S. Peabody, relative to the return of the photographs of Mr. Olmsted and Mr. Parkman, which were sent to New York to have drawings made, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the School Committee, relative to the closing of the shower baths at the Copley School, Charlestown, was received and placed on file.

The petition of O. Atherton Shepard, representing the heirs of Otis Shepard, for a change in the restrictions on property owned by them located on the parkway, Back Bay Fens, was received, and the Chairman was instructed to communicate with Mr. Shepard and inform him of the power invested in the commissioners by the order of the City Council, approved by the Mayor February 3, 1912, to modify the said restrictions, subject to the further condition that the board approve of the design of the front of any building affected by such modification.

The opinion of the Corporation Counsel was received, stating that the city was not liable for the damages to the property of James Thomas at 17 Winthrop street, and the acting secretary was instructed to so notify Mr. Thomas.

The vote of the Committee on Claims, recommending settlement of the claims of Douglas Burt and Richard D. Cleary for compensation for damage to clothing, caused by being torn on projecting wire from tree guards, was received and held awaiting the opinion of the Corporation Counsel to the liability of the city.

A communication from the Dorchester Club, stating the vote of the club, cancelling the lease made with the city for a part of the

said club building, was received, and the acting secretary was instructed to write to the Corporation Counsel for the date of the cancellation of the lease.

The City Council order, approved by the Mayor March 10, 1914, amending restrictions on Riverway land between the northerly intersection of Brookline avenue with the Riverway and the southerly intersection, reducing the distance from the exterior line of said park for the setting back of buildings on such abutting lands from twenty-five to twenty feet, was received and placed on file.

The Corporation Counsel's opinion of the claim of John T. Lorden for compensation for damage to property at 28 Folsom street, caused by the employees of the city spraying trees, was received, and the acting secretary was instructed to notify Mr. Lorden that the city was not liable.

The acting secretary's report on the concessions and privileges granted by the department, and property leased by the department, which were laid over from the previous meeting, were read and placed on file.

The inquiry from George F. Shepard, architect, who was engaged to make drawings for the changing of the bronze tablet in the floor of the Parkman Memorial bandstand, was received, and the acting secretary was instructed to notify Mr. Shepard that nothing further would be done in the matter at present, and to submit his bill for services rendered.

Reports from Mr. C. E. Putnam and Mr. A. A. Shurtleff on plans A and B, for the development of Mt. Ida playground, were presented and placed on file. The Chairman was instructed to refer the claim of J. C. Coleman & Sons Company, for compensation due to the decision of the board not to proceed with the work under the contract for grading, drainage and retaining walls, to the Corporation Counsel.

The report of Mr. H. C. McGrath, recommending the purchase of bathing suits and towels for the coming season, was referred to the Chairman to take the matter up further with Mr. McGrath.

Blueprints, showing the valuation of land in the neighborhood of the greenhouses and storage yard on Massachusetts avenue, near Shirley street, were presented and placed on file.

*Arthur E. Ogden*  
Acting Secretary

Boston, March 21, 1914.

A meeting of the board of park and recreation commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Dillon and Minton, also Mr. Shea and Mr. Putnam. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

A communication from the Corporation Counsel was received, stating that the lease of the Dorchester Club, for a portion of the building used by this department, had been cancelled on March 4, to take effect on March 1, 1914, and the chairman was instructed to notify the Mayor of the said cancellation.

A communication from the Public Service Commission, enclosing an order of their board, dated March 19, 1914, approving the relocation of the tracks of the West End Street Railway on the Arborway, from South street to Washington street, in the West Roxbury District, as established under an order of the Board of park and recreation commissioners, dated September 5, 1913, was received and placed on file.

A copy of the vote passed by the Boston Society of Architects at its meeting held March 3, 1914, endorsing the plans for the development of Copley square, as shown by the model and plans prepared by Mr. Arthur A. Shurtleff, dated Feb. 27, was received, and the acting secretary was instructed to acknowledge its receipt.

An estimate and plans, for the changing of the Refectory Building, Franklin Park, into a house for monkeys, was received from Mr. Hubert G. Ripley, and placed on file. The acting secretary was instructed to learn from Mr. Ripley if he was preparing any other plans or estimates and, if so, to cease work, and to render his bill for such work as he has completed.

A request from Michael Meehan, for the payment of the final estimate on his contract for raising the bridge at Charlesgate West, with a report from Mr. Putnam, recommending that five hundred dollars (\$500.00) be deducted from his old contract and that a new agreement be made with Mr. Meehan for five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for completing the work, was received and approved. The acting secretary was instructed to have Mr. Meehan sign the new agreement.

A special draft for \$510.00, being the sixth approximate estimate of work done by W. A. Murtfeldt Co. on its contract for the shelter and sanitary building at Copps Hill terraces, was passed.

An opinion was received from the Corporation Counsel, relative to the retirement of William L. Tuttle, a veteran of the Civil War, and it was recommended that the chairman have Mr. Tuttle examined by a physician as to his incapacity for active duty.

VOTED, that inasmuch as the financial condition of the city would not warrant the further employment of John F. McCarthy, Foreman at the Zoological Park, he be suspended for a period of five months, beginning Tuesday, March 24, and that he be notified in writing to that effect.

A communication from the Boston Transit Commission, enclosing a blueprint of plan 11174, a study of a small building to cover the ventilating shaft and emergency exit at the pump well and ventilating chamber of the Boylston-street subway, and also a blueprint of part of contract plan 10093, on which was shown the location of the proposed building, was received and approved. The chairman was instructed to write to the Boston Transit Commission that the plans had been approved, providing that the grading and loaming in the vicinity of the building be done at the expense of the Boston Transit Commission and under the supervision of Mr. C. E. Putnam, engineer of the park and recreation department.

An order from the City Council, requesting the department to consider the advisability of taking a parcel of land for playground purposes in the vicinity of Swift and Bennington streets, East Boston, was received, and the chairman was directed to prepare a list of playgrounds in East Boston, giving the location, and submit it to the Mayor with the reply that this department does not deem it advisable to increase the playground facilities in the East Boston section at the present time.

It was

VOTED, that the draft of \$1500.00 made payable to George F. Clarke, secretary, dated Jan. 31, 1914, be rescinded. The chairman was instructed to write the Mayor, asking to have this money transferred to the park and recreation appropriation, if possible.

*Arthur E. Ogden*  
Acting Secretary

Boston, March 28, 1914.

A meeting of the board of park and recreation commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 10 A.M. Present Messrs. Dillon, Gibson and Minton. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

A report from the acting secretary, relative to notifying John F. McCarthy of his suspension, to date from Tuesday, March 24, was read and placed on file.

The approval of His Honor the Mayor, to the change in the name of Mt. Ida playground to Ronan Park, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the Boston Transit Commission, stating that the grading and leaning in the vicinity of the ventilating shaft and emergency exit at the pump well and ventilating chamber of the Boylston-street subway would be done at the expense of their commission and under the supervision of Mr. Charles E. Putnam, engineer of the department, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the Mayor approving the retirement of James E. Bean was received and placed on file.

A vote of the Committee on Claims, recommending the settlement of the claim of T. S. Nelson & Co., for compensation for

damage to wagon caused by the overhanging limb of a tree at 56 Wyman street, Jamaica Plain, on Oct. 19, 1913, by the payment of the sum of \$15.45, was received, and it was recommended to return the paper to the Mayor with the recommendation that the claim be settled for \$10.00.

A letter from H. G. Ripley, stating that he has no outstanding bills, except for supervision of work now in process of construction, was read and placed on file.

A letter from William D. Austin, architect, giving details of his outstanding bills, was read and placed on file.

Quotations from Thomas Butler & Company on crash towels were received, and the chairman was instructed to take this matter up and procure the necessary towels for the season.

A special draft for \$1377.00, being the third estimate of work done by John F. Griffin Co. on its contract for the sanitary building adjoining the winter bird house at Franklin Park. was approved.

The sketch for a sign post at Jamaica Pond Refreshment House, drawn by William D. Austin, architect, and the bid of Irving & Casson for making and setting the sign for the sum of \$180.00 was received and laid over.

*Arthur E. Ogden*  
Acting Secretary

Boston, April, 4, 1914.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 12.15 P.M. Present Messrs Dillon and Gibson. Mr. Daniel J. Byrne, Chief Clerk, was called in and was notified that on motion, it was

VOTED, that Daniel J. Byrne be elected as Acting Secretary.

The records of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A report from Mr. McGrath of the activities and improvements of the Recreation Division for week ending April 2, 1914, was received and placed on file.

A list of permits granted by the Mayor to newsboys on the Boston Common was received and placed on file.

A special draft for \$930.00, being the fourth and quantities final estimate of work done by Michael Meehan, on his contract for raising bridge in the Fens at Charlesgate, was approved.

A report from Mr. C. E. Putnam recommending that the Columbia Yacht Club be allowed to place a curb under its fence along the Strandway was accepted and approved.

The proposal of Michael Meehan for laying extra asphalt at Charlesgate East at 28¢ per square foot for about 350 square feet, recommended by Mr. Putnam, was accepted and approved.

The Chairman read a set of seven rules and on motion they were adopted, and the Acting Secretary instructed to have same printed.

An outline of work to be done during the coming week was referred to Mr. McGrath and Mr. Shea.

A special draft for \$483.15, being for third and final payment for erecting a shelter at Orchard Park, under its contract approved October 18, 1913, was approved. W. H. Preble Co.

VOTED, inasmuch as the financial condition of the city would not permit of the further employment of the following named persons:

Arthur E. Ogden  
Bessie I. Towne  
Helen J. L. Kennelly

they be suspended for a period of five months beginning Friday, April 3, 1914.

VOTED, inasmuch as the financial condition of the city will not permit of the further employment in the Park and Recreation Department at their present salaries, the following named employees be reduced in salary as follows:

John P. O'Connell	Foreman	1,400.00	to	1,200.00
Charles E. Houghton	Transitman	1,500.00	"	1,000.00
James E. Dillon	"	1,200.00	"	1,000.00
Charles J. O'Donnell	"	1,200.00	"	1,000.00
Peter Barker	Foreman	1,400.00	"	1,200.00
Bernard J. Conley	"	1,500.00	"	1,200.00
William Dowling	"	1,400.00	"	1,200.00
James D. Edgeworth	"	1,400.00	"	1,300.00
Charles A. Hogan	"	1,400.00	"	1,200.00
Thomas F. Walsh	Forester	1,400.00	"	1,000.00
John Monahan	Sub-foreman	1,200.00	"	1,000.00
Thomas J. Murphy	Gardener	1,200.00	"	1,000.00
Joseph P. Howe	Green-keeper	1,200.00	"	1,000.00

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Luke J. Doogue	Clerk	1,200.00	to	1,000.00
Warren S. Marden	Master Mechanic	1,400.00	"	1,200.00
Thomas A. Callahan	Hd. Custodian	1,600.00	"	1,200.00
Charles E. Putnam	Civil Eng.	3,000.00	"	2,500.00
James L. Walsh	Phy. Dir.	2,000.00	"	1,400.00
Matthew M. Leary	Asst. Phy. Dir.	1,500.00	"	1,200.00
Joseph J. McNamara	Instructor	1,200.00	"	1,000.00
James F. Winston	"	1,200.00	"	1,000.00
Leo C. Knebel	"	1,200.00	"	1,000.00
Henry A. Higgins	"	1,200.00	"	1,000.00
John J. Driscoll	"	1,200.00	"	1,000.00
Maurice R. Smith	"	1,200.00	"	1,000.00
Henry J. Brennan	"	1,200.00	"	1,000.00
John A. Lane	"	1,200.00	"	1,000.00
George E. Frazer	"	1,200.00	"	1,000.00
Michael V. Dailey	Painter	4.00 per d.	"	1,200.00
William T. Bibbey	Foreman	3.25	" " "	1,000.00
John F. McKernan	"	3.50	" " "	1,000.00
Peter McManus	Forester	4.00	" " "	1,000.00
Charles Walters	"	4.00	" " "	1,000.00
Michael McNulty	Sub-Foreman	4.00	" " "	1,000.00
Julius Wiedner	Foreman	4.00	" " "	1,000.00
John A. Johnson	Sod. & Grader	3.25	" " "	3.00 per d.
James H. Kelley	Janitor	21.00 per wk.	"	18.00 per wk.

*Daniel J. Byrne,*  
Acting Secretary

Boston, April 11, 1914.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street at 11.25 A.M. Present Messrs. Dillon and Gibson.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

A communication from the Directors of the Port of Boston, notifying the Park and Recreation Commission of an assessment under the provisions of Chapter 96 of the Revised Laws and Ch. 748 of the Acts of 1911, for tide-water displacement by sea wall and filling in Mystic River at Mystic Playground, under License No. 37, dated July 10, 1912, for \$646.50, was read, accepted, and placed on file.

A communication from Ellis & Balch in relation to the continuance of the Children's Museum in Pinebank building at Jamaica Pond was read and referred to the next meeting.

A communication from Messrs. John Kelly & Co., relating to duplicate order for cinders, which was countermanded. The matter was referred to Mr. Doherty and Mr. Shea to see to it that



Mr. Kelly will be paid for the inconvenience caused.

A special draft for \$2,652.85, being for second payment on Sanitary Building, Rutherford avenue Playground, under its contract approved December 8, 1913, John F. Griffin Co., was approved.

A special draft for \$1,156.00, being the first payment to Hapgood, Frost & Company for work done on Carolina avenue Sanitary & Locker Building, under its contract approved December 4, 1913, was approved.

A communication from the Mayor in relation to the baths in the Girls' Latin School, Ward 19, was read and laid over until the next meeting.

A communication from Mr. Ripley in reference to the skylights in the Rutherford avenue Sanitary Building being protected with wire screens was read, and it was

VOTED, that this work would be done by our own men when it was necessary.

A communication was read from the Mayor relating to the necessity for additional appropriation for the Paris street Playground, East Boston, stating that he had decided to recommend an appropriation for the amount required, \$2,508.71.

A communication from the City Council was read as follows:

ORDERED: That the Park and Recreation Department, be and hereby is, authorized to sell at public auction, after due notice by advertisement, two Aveling & Porter steam rollers, the proceeds of said sale to be credited to the Park and Recreation Department, and it was

VOTED, that said steam rollers, after due notice by advertisement, be sold at public auction.

A report from Mr. McGrath on the activities of the Recreation Division for the week ending April 10, 1914, was read and placed on file.

A report from Mr. Putnam in reference to repairs on roads was read and placed on file.

A communication from Mr. Baker recommending that the sum of \$40.00 be appropriated to purchase fish was read and recommendation was approved.

On motion it was

VOTED, that the Acting Secretary be instructed to notify Mr. Shea to make a report on all work to be outlined before the work is started, and also, a regular weekly report.

*D. J. Byrne,*  
Acting Secretary.

Boston, April 18, 1914.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 9.50 A.M. Present Messrs. Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

A communication from Mr. Francis N. Balch in relation to a continuance of the Children's Museum in the Pine Bank Building at Jamaica Pond and asking for a hearing if the Board was going to consider a restaurant scheme for that building. The letter was referred to the next meeting.

A communication from the Mayor in relation to the use of the baths at the Girls' Latin School, corner of Longwood and Huntington Avenues, in Ward 19, was referred to the next meeting.

Applications for the retirement of Mr. William L. Tuttle and Mr. Russell Hale were read and it was VOTED, that the applications of Mr. William L. Tuttle and Mr. Russell Hale, veterans of the Civil War, for retirement be approved and the same recommended to the Retirement Board, to take effect April 23, 1914.

An application from Mr. Thomas M. Walsh for permission to keep a public cab stand on the north side of Commonwealth Avenue and Arlington St., Back Bay, was read and it was VOTED, to grant permission to Mr. Thomas M. Walsh to keep a cab stand at the above place until further notice.

A communication from the Society of American Florists was read and placed on file. The acting secretary stated that the \$1,500. which was enclosed had been deposited with the City Collector and same was credited to the appropriation for the Park and Recreation Department.



# CITY OF BOSTON.

IN THE YEAR NINETEEN HUNDRED AND FOURTEEN.

## AN ORDINANCE.

CONCERNING THE PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows,

Chapter ten of the Ordinances of 1912, establishing the Park and Recreation Department, is hereby amended, as follows:

In section 1 by striking out the words "seven thousand five hundred" and inserting in place thereof the words "five thousand".

In section 11 by striking out the words "seventy-five hundred" and inserting in place thereof the words "five thousand".

By striking out section nine of said ordinance and inserting in place thereof the following:

Section 9. The board shall appoint a deputy commissioner who shall receive a salary of not more than four thousand two hundred dollars and who shall devote his whole time to the work, a secretary, engineers, physicians, subordinates and employees, and define their powers and duties and fix the amount of their compensation.

In City Council, April 13, 1914. Passed - yeas six, nays one.

F. J. Doyle, Asst. City Clerk.

Approved April 16, 1914.

James M. Curley, Mayor.

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Ant, City Clerk.

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A communication from Mattapan citizens in relation to the Park and Recreation Commissioners giving proper consideration to the selection of a playground site in Mattapan, was read and placed on file.

IT WAS VOTED, that the apparatus at the Sullivan Square Playground be placed in proper condition under the supervision of Mr. McGrath.

A verbal report was submitted by Commissioner Gibson in relation to tree planting.

A communication from the City Planning Board was read and placed on file.

IT WAS VOTED, that the acting secretary send a communication to the Mayor asking that an order be sent to the City Council asking permission for the City Treasurer to allow the Park and Recreation Department the sum of \$500. same to be used to pay incidental expenses, freight charges, purchase of animals, etc., to be accounted for to the City Auditor by vouchers before the end of the fiscal year.

A communication from the Chamber of Commerce in relation to the improvement of Copley Square was read and referred to the next meeting.

A report from Mr. McGrath on the condition of the Tyler Street Playground stating that it should be placed in a presentable condition for holding a May Party to be given by the Denison House, was read and he was authorized to have same cleaned up and place in a proper condition.

Reports on the activities of the Park and Recreation Divisions were received from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath and same read and placed on file.

A communication from the Mayor stating that he would greatly appreciate the Board considering the advisability of allowing the use of the public parks by automobiles, and report to him such action as the Board deemed advisable, was read and same referred to the Chairman to consult with the Mayor and report at the next meeting.

A communication from Mr. P. J. Garvey in relation to the shoeing of the horses in this department was read and placed on file.

A communication from the Mayor enclosing plan for treatment of

Copley Square was read and placed on file as he requested.

IT WAS VOTED, to renew the subscription for the City Record.

A report was made by foreman Wiedener on the West Fifth St. Playground, where the school department has an open air school, calling attention to the fact that the school department should be asked to pay some part of the expenses of the matron and man employed there: this was referred to the Chairman who is to take it up later with the School Board.

A communication was received from the Corporation Council giving an outline of the authority of the Park and Recreation Commissioners in relation to the placing and removing of statues in the public parks and same was read and placed on file.

On request of Commissioner Galvin it was agreed that arrangements would be made to roll and fix up the bowling green at Franklin Park as soon as possible.

IT WAS VOTED, to send a communication to the Corporation Council and inquire what powers the Park and Recreation Commissioners had in changing street conditions at Copley Square without the authority from the Legislature.

A communication from Thomas G. Hawley, 33 Yale St., Bridgeport, Conn., in relation to a collection of bird skins and eggs about to be sold was read and placed on file.

IT WAS VOTED, to notify the employees of the Park and Recreation Department that all accidents must be reported to this office within twenty-four hours of the time they occur.

*D. J. Byrne,*  
Acting Secretary.

Boston, April 24, 1914.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 10 A. M. Present Messrs. Dillon and Gibson.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The application of Mr. M. J. May for a permit to have the privilege of a motor car stand at the junction of Commonwealth Ave. and Dartmouth Street, on the northerly side of the parkway reservation for the purpose of renting and the secretary was instructed to place the application on file.

VOTED, to grant a permit to Mr. Arthur Timmins to stand with one horse and coupe until further notice, at Dartmouth St. northeast corner of Commonwealth Ave.; also, the same at the southeast corner of Commonwealth Ave.; also, the same at Dartmouth St. northwest corner of Commonwealth Ave.; also, the same at the southwest corner of Commonwealth Ave.

A letter from the Chamber of Commerce to Commissioner Gibson giving a report of the committee on tree planting of the Chamber of Commerce, was read and place on file.

A letter from Mrs. Francis H. Williams in relation to the Children's Museum at Jamaica Pond was read and placed on file.

A communication from the Art Commission in relation to a meeting to be held on Wednesday, April 29th, 1914, at 1151 Tremont Building, at 11 A. M. to arrange for a location for the Copenhagen statue, and asking that a member of the Park and Recreation Commission be present, it was arranged that Mr. Gibson attend at that meeting.

The chairman announced that after the close of the last meeting it was arranged that at the next meeting which took place on April 24 that a permanent secretary would be elected, and it was

Voted, that Daniel J. Byrne be elected secretary and chief clerk.

Voted, that all bills and payrolls be signed by the Chairman.

Voted, that in the absence of the chairman, Commissioner Gibson be acting chairman.

Mr. Robert W. Sayles, a member of the trustees of the Children's Museum was given a hearing in relation to the Children's Museum being allowed to stay at Pine Bank House for an indefinite period and was informed that for the present they would be allowed to remain there.

The claim of Mr. Timothy Reilly and Mr. Patrick Sheehan was read and the secretary was ordered to place same on file.

A communication from the asst. City Clerk stating that the sum of \$25,000.00 had been transferred from the appropriation for the Horticultural Building to the appropriation for Park and Recreation Department, for the maintenance of the Aquarium and Zoological Garden, and for the maintenance and improvement of the Common and parks in existence on January 12, 1887.

A communication from the asst. City Clerk stating that an appropriation for \$4,000.00 had been made to be expended for Playground, Ward 2. (additional appropriation)

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A communication from Mr. Obert Sletten making application for a permit to speak at the Leif Ericksen Statue, on Commonwealth Avenue, at four o'clock, P. M. on Saturday, May 16, 1914, and also, it was desired that permission be granted to allow one or more singing societies to sing at or about the same time, and it was

VOTED, to grant above permit with the understanding that it was to be under the complete supervision of this department.

A communication from Mr. Joseph J. Leonard, referred to the Board by Mr. Shea, relating to putting up a fence at the Carolina Play-ground for the purpose of preventing base-balls from occasionally breaking windows was read and the secretary was notified to write and tell Mr. Leonard that we had no funds for that particular playground and could not consider it at present but hoped to take the matter up again at a later date.

A communication from Mr. Putnam was read in relation to Marine Park Head House stating that leak in the gas pipe made it necessary to put in a new pipe costing about \$25.00 and recommending that it be done at the expense of this department, and it was approved by Mr. James B. Shea, Deputy Commissioner. As Mr. Bova's contract reads in Article 13 that the Lessee shall make all interior repairs which also states renewals and repairs to fixtures and equipment, it was

VOTED, that the matter of repairing of the Head-House be referred to Mr. Bova stating that the Board believes the work should be done by him, at his expense, under the supervision of this department.

VOTED, that Charles Cross, 9 Haynes St., East Boston, be given permission to sell frankforts from a basket, in Wood Island Park, until the end of the present season, under the direction of the foreman of the park.

A communication from Mr. Baker in relation to application of Mr. T. H. Joyce, a fireman at the Aquarium, for two days pay, was read and after considering the merits of the application, the same was placed on file.

An application from Mr. Joseph Shapiro, 137 Chelsea St., East Boston, for permission to sell tonic on the Boston Common on May 30th, July 4th, Sept. 7th, and Oct. 13th, was considered and it was refused.

A special draft was approved for \$300.00 being payment in full for a fountain purchased from the Jordan Marsh Co.



Reports from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath showing the work done in the Park and Recreation Department for the week was read and placed on file.

The Chairman was then called by telephone to the Mayor's office to meet Col. Hawthorne of the War Department and further business was referred to the next meeting.

*E. J. Dwyer*  
Secretary.

Boston, May 1, 1914.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 10 A. M. Present Messrs. Dillon and Gibson.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports of Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

A request from G. Loring Briggs sent to Mr. McGrath for the privilege of mooring the floating hospital was considered, and permission granted to give them the berth at the North End Park, for the season of 1914.

A special draft of \$500.00 less 15% for Mr. Michael Meehan for work done at Charlesgate in the Fens was approved.

A special draft for John F. Griffin Co. for \$2,284.80, the third payment for contract for sanitary building at Rutherford avenue Playground, was approved.

The Secretary was instructed to notify the Deputy Commissioners that all ~~new~~ work should be estimated in total, and submitted to Chairman before starting the work.

A bill for \$1181.00 from William H. Ellis Co. for additional work done at Wood Island Park under their contract was read and referred to the next meeting.

A letter from Mrs. Harriet E. Freeman relating to closing Union Park was read, and Secretary was instructed to write to her stating that the park would remain open until further notice, and that the matter would receive their thoughtful consideration.

A School Committee delegation, consisting of Mr. Joseph Lee, Mr. Michael Corcoran, Mr. Nat. Young, and Dr. Harrington, met the board here by appointment in relation to outlining the conduct of the playgrounds in the park system for the coming year.

A delegation from the Mattapan Improvement Association also met the board by appointment in relation to selecting a site for the Mattapan playground, and the matter was referred to the Law Department.

Permission was granted to Charles Walters, Forester, to take a leave of absence for six months, same to commence May 1, 1914.

A communication from Mrs. Henry C. Noble, asking that a crossing be placed on the park side of Columbia Road, was read and same, being deemed inadvisable, the matter was placed on file.

*D. J. Byrne,*  
Secretary.

Boston, May 8, 1914.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 10.15 A. M. Present Messrs. Dillon and Gibson. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports submitted by Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

The secretary was instructed to request Mr. Shea to submit a more extended report on the work done in the department than what he now submits weekly.

The secretary was instructed to get up a financial statement showing the condition of the various appropriations weekly, each week's report to be submitted to the Commissioners before the next meeting as they occur each week.

Mr. A. B. Baker appeared before the Board asking information about a permanent building for the elephants at Franklin Park. The Board informed him that they would take the matter up at a later meeting.

The retirement papers of Mr. Russell Hale and Mr. W.L. Tuttle, were returned from the mayor's office approved, same to take effect April 25, 1914.

A special draft for \$1,183.18 for extra work done at Wood Island Park Bath-house, as per bill of W. H. Ellis & Co., was approved.

A special draft for \$1,462.00 being second payment on contract of Hargood, Frost & Co., dated Dec. 2, 1913, for building Sanitary and Locker Building at Carolina Avenue, was approved.

A special draft for \$500.00 for payment to Daniel J. Byrne, Sec'y, for payment of freight, express, carfares, and other cash payments incident to the work of the Park and Recreation Department was approved.

A special draft for \$170.00 was approved for the Lovesey Rustic Manf'g Co., as per their bill dated March 21, 1914.

A special draft for \$271.25 was approved for land purchased from Jacob F. Krokyn, for playground, Ward 2.

A special draft for \$704.00 was approved for land purchased from J. Alfred Anderson, for playground, Ward 2.

A communication from Mr. McGrath relative to the annual towing of bath-houses to their respective locations for the summer was referred to the Chairman for action.

A communication from the School Committee was read referring to repairs on apparatus on playground corners, and same was referred to the secretary to consult with the Law Department as to just what we are compelled by law to provide for the School Committee.

A communication from the Metropolitan Park Commission accepting price of \$8.00 each for eighteen cement seats complete, was read and referred to Mr. Shea.

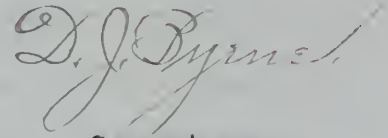
IT WAS VOTED, that all painting throughout the park system made upon apparatus, fences, and all outside work be done in a green color similar to the sample submitted to Mr. Dailey, foreman of painters.

A communication from the Mayor transferring the letting of the boats from the Mayor's office to the Park and Recreation Department was received and the secretary was instructed to consult with the Law Department and see if any further action was necessary.

VOTED, that inasmuch as the financial condition of the city does not warrant the further employment of James B. Shea at his present salary, he is hereby notified that his salary will be reduced from \$4,200.00 per year to \$3,500.00 per year, same to take effect on Friday, May 8, 1914.

Voted, that James B. Shea, Deputy Commissioner, be instructed to

vacate the house now occupied by him at Franklin Park, within such time as may be convenient to him within the next sixty days.



Secretary.

Boston, May 15, 1914.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 10 A. M.

Present: Commissioners Dillon and Gibson.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports from Mr. McGrath and Mr. Shea were read and placed on file.

A protest from Mr. Carleton Hunneman against having any more statues in the Public Garden was read and placed on file.

A communication from the City Auditor was read stating that an execution of court amounting to \$867.60 had been paid to Antonneta Settembre, "being damages for land taken for Paris St. Playground" and charged to the appropriation for Playground, Ward 2.

It was VOTED, that the secretary be placed under \$3,000.00 bonds in accordance with the City Ordinance.

The application of Patrick Flynn, a veteran, was read and it was VOTED, that the retirement of Patrick Flynn be approved subject to the approval of the Mayor.

The secretary submitted a report of the financial condition of the department.

A letter from Mr. James Kelley, janitor, asking reimbursement for loss of clothing, amounting to \$25.00 was read and referred to a later meeting.

A special draft was approved for the John C. Coleman & Son Co., for \$1,089.04 being first payment for furnishing laom for Commonwealth Avenue.

A special draft was approved for the John C. Coleman & Sons Co., for \$1,372.13 being first payment for furnishing loam for the Fens.

The application of the Gene Furniss Tire Co., 1,104 Commonwealth Avenue, for a permit to place a gasoline dispenser on the edge of the sidewalk in front of the premises 1,104 Commonwealth Avenue, now occupied as an automobile supply store, was approved subject to the approval of the Fire Commissioner.

*G. J. Byrne*  
Secretary.

Boston, May 22, 1914.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street at 9.45 A.M. Present Messrs. Dillon, Gibson and Calvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports submitted by Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

A special draft was approved for \$2,295.00, being sixth payment to W. A. Murtfeldt Co. for furnishing and erecting walls, steps, subway and sanitary on Charlestown Heights.

An execution of court, amounting to \$7,733.75, to Peter F. Lamont and John J. Lamont "For damages to property Denny street and Savin Hill avenue, Dorchester," and charged to the appropriation for Savin Hill Beach, additional land, was read and approved.

A claim from Mary Coveney was read and referred to Mr. Long for a report.

A bill was read for architect's services from G. Henri Desmond, for \$1,603.83, and it was voted to approve one-half of the bill at the present time.

Commissioner Calvin presented the following motion:

That the action by which the board decreased the salary of James B. Shea, Deputy Commissioner, to \$3,500.00 per year, and ordered the occupancy of the Franklin Park House by his vacated, is hereby reconsidered, VOTED, that the salary of the Deputy Commissioner, shall be \$4,200.00 per year, from which sum of \$4,200.00 per year shall be deducted \$700.00 per year for rental, light and heat of the house in Franklin Park occupied by him, Mr. Calvin voted Yes, and Messrs. Dillon and Gibson voted No, and

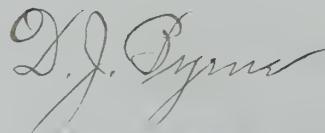
the motion was defeated.

A letter was received from the Corporation Counsel, under date of May 18, 1914, outlining his opinion as to the authority of the board to plan and outline new conditions for Copley Square.

The Secretary made a report of the finances of the department.

An execution of court, amounting to \$1,550.00, paid to John Zedren "For damages by breach of contract to build convenience station on Common near Park square," and charged to the appropriation for Convenience Stations, City Square and at or Near Park Square, was read and approved.

It was VOTED, to allow Edward E. Adams to place weighing and vending machines at places on list submitted by him, with the understanding that the Park and Recreation Department will be given 50% of the weighing machine receipts, and 30% of the vending machine receipts.



Secretary.

Boston, May 29, 1914.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 10.45 A.M. Present Messrs. Dillon and Gibson. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

A hearing was granted to Mrs. Parker in relation to the various playground conditions throughout the city.

An execution of court amounting to \$9,275.73 has been paid to Ellen G. O'Mahoney and others "Being damages for land taken for Mt. Ida playground" and charged to the appropriation for PLAYGROUND MT. IDA SECTION, as per letter from City Auditor.

The weekly reports of Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

A letter from the Mayor in relation to the water rates at the Head House, South Boston, was referred to the Chairman.

VOTED, to allow the firm of Thomas Butler & Co. to beach vessel at Governor's Island, for the purpose of cutting it up for junk.

VOTED, to advertise for bids for the privileges at Refectory Building, at Franklin Park, Castle Island, and Jamaica Pond Shelter

VOTED, to grant a booth privilege to Timothy F. Hannon, 4222 Washington St., Roslindale, at the Spring St. Bath House for the season of 1914, for the sum of \$50.

VOTED, to grant a booth privilege to Miss Mary Sullivan, 542 Commercial St., Boston, at the North End Park, for the season of 1914.

VOTED, to grant a booth privilege to Mrs. Mary Marr, 31 St. Margaret St., Dorchester, at McKenzie Beach, for the season of 1914.

The Secretary read a report on the finances of the Department.

*L. J. Symmes*  
Secretary.

Boston, June 5, 1914.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon Street at 10.45 a. m.

Present Messrs, Dillon, Gibson and Calvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports of Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

Two bills from Wm. H. Besarick, Archt. for plans and specifications of convenience stations were approved, amounting to \$944.31.

A special draft was approved for Frank E. Woodward & Co. for \$547.00, for work done on radiators at the Bird House.

VOTED, to grant a permit to the West End Street Railway to place an underground conduit in Commonwealth Ave. from Harvard Ave. to Warren St., Brighton District.

It was VOTED, to authorize the Secretary to sell the lamb and sheep at Franklin Park to the highest bidder.

*L. J. Symmes*  
Secretary.

Boston, June 12, 1914.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 10.30 a. m.

Present Messrs. Dillon and Gibson.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports from Mr. Shea, Mr. Putnam and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

A special draft of the Acme Towel Co. for \$1,916.68 was approved.

A special draft for the Murtfeldt Co. was approved for \$2,121.60

being the seventh approximate estimate for work done and material furnished on Sanitary, Subway, Walls and Steps on Charlestown Heights, under its contract approved November 12, 1912.

On motion it was VOTED to open the beaches and bath houses on June 15, 1914.

Bids opened at this office on June 5th, 1914, for building a retaining wall, stairs and walks at the Rutherford Ave. Playground were as follows:

John McCourt Co.,	\$4,777.50
Martino DeMatteo,	4,940.00
William H. Ellis Co.,	5,246.10
Coleman Bros.	6,225.00
D. M. Biggs & Co.,	6,247.50
Beatty Construction Co.,	6,392.75
Hyde Park Construction Co.,	6,510.50
Lawlor Bros.,	7,907.50
Frank H. Cowin & Co.,	8,205.00
James J. Brock,	11,110.50

It was VOTED, subject to the Mayor's approval, to award the contract to the lowest bidder, the John McCourt Co. for \$4,777.50.

It was VOTED to grant carriage stand licenses to Hugh Kelley and to James Rogan.

Bids for refreshment privileges were opened as follows:-

	Castle Island, City of Boston	
		to care for grounds
Frank Gregory	\$1,500.00	per annum
Cornelius J. Sullivan	525.00	
James P. McShane	200.00	per annum
		plus 10% net profits.

	Castle Island, Bidder	
		to care for grounds
Thomas J. Duffley	1,650.00	per annum
John F. Glynn	520.00	
William W. Ring	350.00	
Cornelius J. Sullivan	300.00	
Dennis J. Collins	500.00	

Frank Gregory offered to maintain the island, care for grounds, and be custodian of island in return for concession, no money offered.

By vote of the Board the privilege was awarded to the highest bidder, Thomas J. Duffley.

*W. J. Glynn*  
Secretary.



Boston, June 19, 1914.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 53 Beacon St., Boston, at 10,30 A M.

Present: Messrs. Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

The record of the last meeting were read and approved

The weekly reports from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

A special draft was approved for Charles M. Callahan for \$156.87 being fourth and final payment for work done and material furnished on water pipe and sewer at raccoon cage in Franklin Park

It was VOTED to grant permission to the Womens Municipal League to use a location on Castle Island for an out-door school for anemic children for the season of 1914.

  
Secretary

Boston, June 26, 1914.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 53 Beacon St., at 10.45 A M.

Present Messrs Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved

The weekly reports from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

It was VOTED to grant authority to the Board of Street Commissioners to make a taking of land forty feet wide on Boylston St. on the Public Garden side easterly from Arlington Street and joining with the taking as already made by the act of the Legislature authorizing the construction of the Boylston Street Subway.

It was VOTED to approve payment of a special draft for \$801.91 being balance of account due to G. Henri Desmond for plans for the proposed laundry building at North End Park.

It was VOTED to ask the Boston Elevated Railway Company to install suitable driveways across their tracks on the reseration on Commonwealth Ave. at the following points:- opposite St. Luke's Road; opposite Chester Street; opposite Spofford Road and opposite Long Ave., the expense for same to be charged to this Department.

The Chairman of the Board made a report on the summer band concerts and it was VOTED that the following bands be engaged for the following dates at the places herein named at a prices to be paid for each band concert as herein stated:-

<u>Date</u>	<u>NAVAL BRIGADE BAND</u>	<u>D. A. Ives, Leader</u>
July 19, 1914	Franklin Park	21 men \$115.50
August 13 "	Sullivan Square	21 men 92.40
August 16 "	Wood Island Pk	21 men 115.50

	<u>MOORE'S BAND</u>	<u>Alfred J. Moore, Leader</u>
July 10, 1914	Washington Park	21 men 92.40
" 22 "	Marcella St Playground	21 men 92.40
Aug. 3. "	Columbus Ave. "	21 men 92.40
" 13 "	Ashmont Playground	21 men 92.40
July 5 "	Marine Park	21 men 115.50
Aug. 9 "	" "	21 men 115.50
July 12 "	Boston Common	25 men 137.50
" 26 "	Franklin Park	21 men 115.50
" 19 "	Jamaica Pond	21 men 115.50
Aug. 2 "	" "	21 men 115.50
" 23 "	" "	21 men 115.50

	<u>COMMONWEALTH BAND</u>	<u>Edward F. Tracy, Leader.</u>
July 19, 1914	Marine Park	21 men 115.50
Aug. 2 "	Franklin Park	21 men 115.50
" 9 "	Jamaica Pond	21 men 115.50
" 16 "	Franklin Park	21 men 115.50

	<u>NATIONAL BAND OF BOSTON</u>	<u>Fred W. Nissen, Leader.</u>
July 6, 1914.	Roslindale Playground	21 men 92.40

	<u>BOSTON LETTER CARRIERS' BAND</u>	<u>J. M. Plunkett, Ldr.</u>
July 15, 1914	Cor. Albany & Dearborn Sts	21 men 92.40
" 29 "	Union Pk, cor Shawmut	21 men 92.40
Aug. 24 "	Gibson St	21 men 92.40
July 26 "	Boston Common	25 men 137.50

	<u>FIRST CORPS OF CADETS BAND</u>	<u>John B. Feilding, Ldr</u>
July 20, 1914	Brighton Square	21 men 92.40
Aug. 30 "	Boston Common	25 men 137.50
Aug. 16 "	" "	25 men 137.50

	<u>NINTH REGIMENT BAND</u>	<u>W. Barrington-Sargent.</u>
Aug. 17, 1914	Everett Sq. Hyde Park	21 men 92.40
" 30 "	Franklin Park	21 men 115.50
July 23 "	Charlesbank	21 men 92.40
Aug. 5 "	Eaton Square	21 men 92.40

	<u>D'AVINO'S BAND</u>	<u>Alphonso D'Avinio, Leader</u>
July 17, 1914	Hayes Square	21 men 92.40
Aug. 2 "	Boston Common	25 men 137.50

	<u>E. G. BATES' BAND</u>	<u>E. G. Bates, Leader.</u>
Aug. 2, 1914	Marine Park	21 men 115.50
" 23 "	" "	21 men 115.50
July 19 "	Boston Common	25 men 137.50
Aug. 9 "	Franklin Park	21 men 115.50
" 16 "	Jamaica Pond	21 men 115.50

COAST ARTILLERY BAND.

W. A. CUSHING, Leader

July 14, 1914	Neponset Playground	21 men	92.40
Aug. 25 "	Washington Park	21 men	92.40
Aug. 23 "	Boston Common	25 men	137.50

STONES' MILITARY BAND.

James T. Kenney, Agt.

July 1, 1914	Orient Heights	21 men	92.40
July 8, "	North Square	21 men	92.40
July 27, "	Thomas Park	21 men	92.40
July 30, "	Belmont Square	21 men	92.40
Aug. 6, "	Edw. Everett Square	21 men	92.40
Aug. 12, "	Sharon St.	21 men	92.40
Aug. 21, "	Charlebank	21 men	92.40
Aug. 27, "	Mt. Hope Playground	21 men	92.40
July 12, "	Marine Park	21 men	115.50
Aug. 16, "	" "	21 men	115.50
Aug. 30, "	" "	21 men	115.50
July 5, "	Boston Common	25 men	137.50
Aug. 9, "	" "	25 men	137.50
Aug. 2, "	Wood Island Park	21 men	115.50
Aug. 23, "	Franklin Park	21 men	115.50
July 26, "	Jamaica Pond	21 men	115.50

The rate charged for the evening concerts is \$4.00 for each of the twenty-one musicians, and 10% of the total amount is given to the Leader.

The rate charged for the Sunday concerts in all places except Boston Common is \$5.00 for each of the twenty-one musicians, and 10% is given to the leader out of the total amount.

The rate charged for the Sunday concerts on Boston Common for each of the twenty five musicians is \$5.00 and 10% of the total amount is given to the Leader.

Bids for refreshment privileges were opened as follows:-

Refectory Building, Franklin Park

William F. Dwyer,	\$2,000.00	per annum
A. Frank Gregory,	1,800.00	" "
Miss C. L. Raulston,	1,700.00	" "
A. A. Shields,	1,700.00	" "
John J. Fay,	1,650.00	" "
Arthur B. Glover,	1,625.00	" "
Robert T. Allen & Wm. W. Soxe	1,610.00	" "
Josephine E. Eisenberg,	1,600.00	" "
Wm. A. Nye,	1,500.00	" "
Mae A. Rosenwald,	500.00	" "
Jas. P. McShane,	10% of net profits	per annum

Jamaica Pond Boat Landing

Elizabeth Curtis,	510.00	per annum
P. J. Finneran,	500.00	" "
Wm. H. Dolan,	500.00	" "
James J. Smith,	420.00	" "
A. A. Shields,	400.00	" "
John J. Fay,	375.00	" "

By vote of the Board the privileges were awarded to the highest bidders, William F. Dwyer, and Elizabeth Curtis.

*D. J. Turner*  
Secretary

Boston, July 3, 1914.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 10.30 a. m.

Present: Messrs. Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

It was Voted to renew the lease of Freeport Street Bathing Beach from Mary A. Regan for this season under the same conditions as last year. (\$500.00 per year)

A petition for a playground in the Fens at Boylston Road from Miss Elizabeth J. Woodward was read and referred to a later date.

It was VOTED to grant permission to the Franklin Motor Cabs Inc. to stand three taxi cabs on Charlesgate East in front of the Hotel Somerset twenty-four hours a day, also to stand three taxi cabs in front of the Hotel Somerset on Commonwealth Ave., from 9 p.m. to 3 a.m. daily.

*S. J. Byrne*  
Secretary

Boston, July 10, 1914.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon Street at 10.15 a. m.

Present: Messrs Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

It was VOTED to invite the Art Commission to meet the Park and Recreation Commissioners at their office, 33 Beacon St., on Friday, July 24, 1914, at 12 M.

It was VOTED to authorize the expenditure of about \$300.00 for expenses to Bermuda to buy fish.

It was voted to spread on the records the letter in full sent to the Art Commission on May 11, 1914, wherein this Commission refused to agree on the location of statues in the Public Garden, as outlined by the Art Commissioners.

It was VOTED to grant permission to the Berenson Construction Company to install a gasoline pump on the reservation in front to number One thousand one hundred three and five (1103-5)

C O P Y

Boston, Mass., May 11, 1914.

The Boston Art Commission,  
Tremont Building,  
Boston, Mass.

My dear Sirs;-

I am directed by the Board to submit for your consideration the following opinion of the Park and Recreation Commission, regarding statuary and the location of statues throughout the Park system.

After long and careful consideration of the subject of statuary on the Public Garden, this Board has reached the conclusion that large statues of the character of portraiture, are not suited to a garden of this nature where the spaces are cut up by numbers of walks and flower beds near together, by fences and entrances, by trees and shrubs and the various details which make up the natural furnishing of this limited area in the centre of the City. They are of the opinion that what statuary or architectural ornamentation is placed there should be of a light and classic nature, comparable to the best models of similar gardens in Europe. For instance, the five small ponds might suitably be ornamented by statues in white marble, or lead colored metal in conformity with the precedent, or theme, which has already been set by the white marble Venus in the circular pond, or basin, to the left of the central entrance from Commonwealth Avenue and Arlington Street. Four white marble vases

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on pedestals might also be placed in the centres of the four lawns near by, surrounding the Washington statue.

The Park and Recreation Commission regret extremely that they are unable to meet the wishes of the Art Commission to construct the mall proposed, for the Charles Street side of the garden. Lack of funds, an unmistakeable expression of feeling on the part of those most interested in preserving the present harmonious beauty of the Garden, together with other reasons, have forced them to this conclusion. The members of this commission have been familiar with the details of the Common and Public Garden throughout their lives and have given the whole subject of the proposed changes their most earnest consideration from all points of view, desiring wherever possible, to co-operate with the desires of the Art Commission in plans to improve and beautify that portion of the City over which they have control. This Commission feel that they cannot grant locations for any statues composed of stone, or with any stonework, or stone pedestals which are not of a color and character that will correspond to the stone of the Washington statue, or the Canning Memorial opposite Arlington Street Church.

For the above and other reasons this Commission would be glad if the Art Commission would sanction the removal of the statue of Edward Everett Hale to the Commonwealth Avenue Mall about the centre of the block between Exeter and Fairfield Street, facing the statue of William Lloyd Garrison, or to some other suitable location where it would not be crowded or out of scale with its surroundings. This Commission has no objections at present to continuing this line of statues on Commonwealth Avenue, provided the subjects and their treatment are in harmony with the present statues of Hamilton and Tyler, on the blocks between Arlington and Clarendon Streets, not only in respect to

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outline, but also in the bronze and stone used. No statues with canopies or architectural treatment can be placed in this series. Statues of men who have figured in the same period of American history should be associated together, and no statues whose character and outlines do not harmonize should be placed in the same perspective.

For the same reasons any statues which are placed on the Boston Common should have pedestals or stone work that are similar in color to the stone of the Soldiers' Monument or the Memorial Bandstand.

In regard to the statue of Wendell Phillips by Mr. French, this Commission feel that it is their duty to consider the protests of many residents and taxpayers of the vicinity who object to the location asked for on Beacon Street, near the corner of Charles Street. They do not desire any more statues of this nature on the Garden at all, especially on the northerly half of the Garden; but in consideration of the circumstances, they ask the opinion of the Art Commission in respect to the possible location of this statue on one of two locations on Arlington Street, Namely I. facing the Beacon Street Mall, at the end of this Mall, and backing against the Arlington Street fence, at an exact point to be determined by the Park and Recreation Commission; or II. slightly south of this, in a similar position, facing the circular flower bed near the circular basin and small fountain. This location would also afford a dignified vista in front of the memorial, which would to some extent balance the Channing Memorial, opposite Arlington Street Church, at the further end of Arlington Street.

It is distinctly understood that this Commission does not in this, commit itself to any of these locations, and reserves the right to refuse to grant them if it should deem it best. They are merely

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submitted for the consideration of the Art Commission.

The Park and Recreation Commission believe that large statues of this character are more suited to certain parts of the Boston Park system, and would greatly prefer to consider requests for locations in portions of the Fens, or the several Parks leading to and including Franklin Park, where there are many points at which Memorials and statues could be placed to advantage with approaches and effects of distance more in harmony with their dignity and circumstance.

Very truly yours,

*D. J. Byrne,*  
Secretary.

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Commonwealth ave., with the understanding that it first must receive the approval of the Fire Commissioner of the City of Boston.

It was VOTED to pay to John C. Coleman & Sons Co. \$2500.00 first and final payment for expense incurred for material and tools furnished and for work done on grading, draining and retaining walls on Mount Ida Playground, as per their contract with the City of Boston dated June 13, 1913.

A special draft was approved for Hapgood, Frost & Co. for \$1,700.00, being third payment on contract for Sanitary and Locker Building at Carolina Avenue Playground.

A special draft was approved for Wright Wire Co. for first and quantities final payment on contract for work done and material furnished at Concord Square and Rutland Square, for \$2,848.61.

It was VOTED to grant the Edison Electric Illuminating Co. permission to put in an underground service at an expense of \$134.00 at Wood Island Park.

  
Secretary

Boston, July 17, 1914

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon Street at 11 A. M. Present Messrs. Dillon and Gibson.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

It was voted to request Mr. McGrath to have all poisonous tablets removed from the Bath houses, Beaches, and all other places in the Department.

It was VOTED to request Mr. McGrath to write a letter of sympathy to the father and family of Mr. Frank Pendergast, deceased Custodian of Freeport St. Bath.

It was Voted to grant Mr. James Toomey permission for a license for three carriages on Hereford St & Commonwealth Ave., and three on Cor. of Gloucester St. and Commonwealth Ave. also an automobile

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on the south east corner of Gloucester St and Commonwealth Ave.

It was Voted to instruct the Secretary to send a letter to the Mayor respectfully asking that he send the following order to the City Council. "That the sum or \$125,000.00 be appropriated to be expended by the Park & Recreation Commissioners for park purposes for the purchase of land bounded by Hemenway Street, Huntington Avenue and the Fenway, and that to meet the said appropriation, the City Treasurer be authorized to issue, from time to time, at the request of the Mayor, bonds or certificates of indebtedness of said amount."

It was VOTED that inasmuch as the financial condition of the City does not warrant the further employment in the Park & Recreation Department of the following employees who have been temporarily suspended that their temporary suspension be now made permanent, same to take effect Friday, July 17th, 1914:-

George F. Clarke, secretary  
 James W. Chapman, entomologist  
 Chalmers W. Depue, soil expert  
 Arthur A. Shurtleff, advisory landscape architect  
 Charles G. Lawrence, accountant  
 Theodore W. Souther, assistant engineer  
 Harry A Norman, rodman  
 George W. H. Timson, clerk  
 Charles M. Sherman, aquarium foreman  
 Joseph P. Kilday, inspector  
 St. George S. M. Tucker, Tankman and feeder  
 Frank Drewett, gardner  
 John F. McCarthy, foreman  
 Arthur E. Ogden, clerk  
 Bessie I. Towne, stenographer  
 Helen J. L. Kennelly, librarian

The following special drafts were passed:

The sum of Two Thousand Eight Hundred Forty Eight and 61/100

Dollars to the Wright Wire Co., being first and quantities final estimate of work done and material furnished on fences at Concord and Rutland Squares under its contract approved Oct. 24, 1913.

The sum of Three Thousand One Hundred Thirty One & 90/100

Dollars to W. A. Murtfeldt Co., being eighth and final estimate of work done and material furnished on Sanitary, Subway, Walls and steps on Charlestown Heights under its contract approved November 12, 1912.

The sum of Two Hundred Fifty Nine & 74/100 Dollars to Wm.

Downes Austin, being the amount of his bill dated June 30, 1914, for professional services in preparing plans and specifications for and supervising the construction of a sanitary building in connection with the winter bird house at Franklin Park.

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The sum of One thousand Four Hundred Twenty Nine & 35/100 Dollars to The Columbia Bathing Suits Co being the amount of their bill dated July 6, 1914 for bathing suits and trunks, under contract approved May 22, 1914.

The sum of One Thousand Three Hundred Thirty & 6/100 Dollars to James H. Fannon, being for third approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on brick walks and drains on Boston Common, under contract approved Oct. 6, 1913.

The sum of Seventeen Hundred Dollars to Hapgood, Frost & Co. being third payment on their contract for building Sanitary and Locker Building at Carolina Ave., Playground under their contract approved Dec. 4, 1913.

The sum of One Thousand Two Hundred Eighty Dollars to W. M. Farwell being for covered hose, as per his bill dated July 1, 1914 under contract approved May 22, 1914.

*D. J. Byrnes*  
Secretary

Boston July 24, 1914.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 53 Beacon St. at 11 A. M. Present Messrs. Dillon and Gibson.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

It was VOTED to request Mr. McGrath and Mr. Shea to report the painting and carpenter and other work that was being done in the Department and to state when finished the length of time and the number of men required to do the work, on each job.

It was VOTED to grant a permit to the Standard Oil Co. of New York to put two sidewalk filling boxes for delivering gasoline from tank wagon into to storage tanks at #1354-6-8 Commonwealth Ave., Allston, Said permit to receive the approval of the Fire Commissioner of Boston.

It was voted to approve the special drafts to Hubert G. Ripley, being second and final payment for architectural services, etc., at the Rutherford Ave., Playground for the amount of Two Hundred Eighty and 48/100 Dollars: and also to approve the special draft for the second and final payment for the Sanitary Building at Copps Hill Terrace, \$413.51, and also special draft for the American Tar Co. for the amount of Five Hundred Thirteen & 73/100 Dollars, being the amount of their bills dated April 30, May 31, and June 30, 1914.

The resignation of Mr. A. B. Baker, Curator of the Zoological Gardens at Franklin Park was read and accepted, same to take effect on July 31, 1914.

It was VOTED that the Secretary write Mr. Baker a letter expressing their appreciation of his work while employed here.

It was VOTED to appoint Mr. Peter S. McNally, 79 Bellevue St., Dorchester as assistant curator at the Zoo with salary of \$1500.00 per year, same to take effect Friday, July 24, 1914.

It was VOTED to appoint Mr. John T. Benson, 14 Dixwell St., West Roxbury, as advisor on animals to this Commission at a salary of \$1200.00 per year, same to take effect Saturday, August 1, 1914.

It was VOTED to place Mr. James W. Follen, 4 Fields Court, Dorchester, a clerk in this Department now on sick leave, on the payroll at a salary of \$1000.00 per year, same to take effect Monday, July 20, 1914.

It was VOTED to grant the refreshment privileges at Castle Island to Thomas F. Duffley at \$1,650.00 a year for three years with the understanding he was to care for the sanitariums and the grounds.

It was VOTED to grant the refreshment privileges at Jamaica Pond Shelter House and the Boating privileges on Jamaica Pond to Mrs. Elizabeth Curtis at \$510 per year for three years with the understanding she was to care for the sanitariums.

It was VOTED to grant the refreshment privileges at the Refectory Building at Franklin Park to William F. Dwyer at \$2,000.00 per year for three years with the understanding he was to care for the sanitariums.

*D. J. Byrne*  
Secretary.



Boston, Aug. 25, 1914.

A meeting of the Board of Park & Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 2.30 p. m. Present Messrs. Dillon and Gibson.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The reports from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath on the weekly activities of the Department were read and placed on file.

It was VOTED to re-instate John F. McCarthy as foreman of the Zoo at a salary of \$1200 per year.

It was VOTED to grant to the Threefields Garage a cross over opposite their premises at 1356 Commonwealth Ave. provided the work is done at their own expense and under the supervision of the Engineer of this Department.

It was VOTED to grant permission to the Boston Elevated Railway Co. to construct, maintain, and use an additional cross-over connection on Commonwealth Ave. west of Beacon St.

It was VOTED to grant permission to the Boston Elevated Railway Co. for location for a landing on Commonwealth Ave. between Wallingford Road and Chiswick Road as per their plan submitted provided that instead of building it of crack stone with a stone dust surface they substitute either granolithic or a brick sidewalk sunk in cement.

It was Voted to grant permission for bathing on the Strandway Beach at So. Boston, to all bathers who wear a two piece bathing suit; dressing or un-dressing on the beach or boulevard is expressly prohibited.

It was VOTED to grant to the West End St. Railway Co. to construct, maintain and use an alteration of its existing locations as follows:

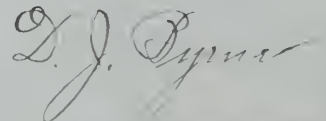
On Columbia Road, from Edward Everett Square to Blue Hill Ave. relocation of the northerly of the existing tracks (so far as the jurisdiction of the Park & Recreation Commissioners extend.) substantially as shown by the red lines on plan of A. L. Plimpton civil Engineer, dated July 9, 1914, filed with application; together with all necessary curves, cross-overs, switches and connections; said alterations being in substitution for existing tracks as shown by dotted black lines on the aforesaid plan.

Permission is also hereby given to said Company to establish

and maintain the overhead single trolley electric system of motor power in the operation of its cars on said new tracks, and to erect maintain and use the necessary poles, also wires, appliances and electrical appliances and apparatus and to make the underground and surface alterations of the streets necessary for that purpose.

This permit is granted and accepted subject to all the laws and ordinances present and future effecting the City of Boston and all rules and regulations of the Park & Recreation Commissioners.

Voted, to request the Street Commissioners to take by right of eminent domain the land bounded by Hemmenway Street, Huntington Entrance to the Back Bay Park, the Fenway, the Forsyth Dental Infirmary, and a common passageway extending from Hemenway Street containing forty three thousand two hundred sixty three (42,263) Square feet, more or less to be used for park purposes, said land being shown on a plan now at the Street Laying-out Department.



Secretary.

Boston, Sept. 11, 1914.

A meeting of the Board of Park & Recreation Commissioners was held at 35 Beacon St., at 10.30 a. m. Present Messrs. Dillon Gibson and Galvin.

Records of the last meeting were read and approved. The weekly reports of Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

It was VOTED to instruct the secretary to request the City Collector to abate a charge of \$10.43 to Leslie Miller, dated Nov. 19, 1913, same being sent from this office for collection; since that time a reduced bill was sent to him and the original was not abated.

It was VOTED to appoint Anthony S. McNealy, 70 Forest St. Ward 17, as assistant curator of the Zoological Garden at Franklin Park at a salary of \$1500. per year; same to take effect Tuesday, Sept. 8 1914.

The following special drafts were passed:-

The sum of Eleven Hundred Five Dollars being for fifth payment on contract for Carolina Avenue Sanitary & Locker building, under its contract dated December 2, 1913. was approved for Hapgood Frost Co

The sum of Two Thousand five Hundred Forty-Seven & 00/100 Dollars which is the eighth and final payment on work done and material furnished on Copps' Hill Terraces, Shelter and Sanitary Building in accordance with the terms of their contract dated July 19, 1913. was approved for The W. A. Murfeldt Co.,

It was VOTED to approve the following bills for music during the South Boston Carnival:-

St. Augustine's Band	\$83.60	Aug. 27, 1914
Moore's Band	83.60	" 28 "
" "	79.20	Sept 5 "
Mockler's Band	83.60	Aug. 29 "
" "	83.60	Sept. 5 "

It was VOTED to grant permission to the West End St. Railway, by the Boston Elevated Railway Co., its attorney, to construct maintain, and use an addition to its existing location as follows:

On Commonwealth Ave., west of Beacon St.  
an additional cross-connection:

Substantially as shown by red lines on plan of A. L. Plimpton,

civil Engineer, dated, August 10, 1914, filed herewith; together with all necessary curves, cross-overs, switches and connections; said alterations being in substitution for existing tracks as shown by dotted black lines on the aforesaid plan.

Also, that permission be given said company to establish and maintain the overhead single trolley electric system of motive power in the operation of its cars on said new tracks and to erect, maintain and use the necessary poles, also wires, appliances and electrical appliances and apparatus and to make the underground and surface alterations of the streets necessary for that purpose.

The Chairman stated that he had cancelled the privilege granted to Mr. Thomas J. Duffley at Castle Island for the reason that he did not keep the island clean, particularly for the last two weeks the island has been in a dirty and disagreeable condition.

*E. J. Byrne,*  
Secretary.

Boston, Sept. 16, 1914.

A special meeting of the Park & Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon Street at 1.30 P.M. Present Messrs. Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

It was VOTED, that, whereas the board of street commissioners has taken at the request of this board, and with the approval of the Mayor, a parcel of land on the Fenway, Huntington Entrance and Hemenway Street, Roxbury, containing forty-three thousand two hundred sixty-three (43,263) square feet, more or less, to be used for park purposes, there be awarded and paid to Eugene N. Foss the sum of One Hundred forty thousand, six hundred dollars (\$140,600.) upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said taking, satisfactory to the Law Department.

*E. J. Byrne*  
Secretary.

Boston, Sept. 18, 1914.

A meeting of the board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street at 10.30 A.M. Present Messrs. Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

The records of the last meeting and special meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports from Mr. McGrath and Mr. Shea were read and placed on file.

It was VOTED, that Mr. John Dargin, a laborer employed in this department, be retired from active service, same to take effect upon the approval of the Mayor.

It was VOTED, to pay the John F. Griffin Co. on special draft the sum of \$1,417.87, being for amount due on contract for a Sanitary Building, adjoining the Winter Bird House at Franklin Park, in accordance with plans and specifications, under its contract approved August 15, 1913.

*E. J. Byrne*  
Secretary.

Boston, September 25, 1914.

A meeting of the board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street at 10.30 A.M. Present Messrs. Dillon and Gibson.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports of Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath, and also Mr. Benson, were read and placed on file.

The bids on contract for Elephant House, opened Friday, September 18, 1914, were as follows:

William Crane.....	\$33,296.00
S. P. Troy Co.....	30,732.00
Hapgood, Frost & Co.....	31,987.00
Woodbury & Leighton Co.....	31,259.00
William M. Bailey.....	29,987.00
Simpson Brothers Corp.....	29,562.00
W. & H. A. Root, Inc.....	29,450.00
McDonald & Kivell.....	27,916.00
John F. Griffin Co.....	24,994.00

and it was

VOTED, subject to the approval of the mayor, to award the contract to the lowest bidder, John F. Griffin Co., for the sum of \$24,994.00.

VOTED, to abate a charge made against Mr. S. G. Parker for \$23.88 for the reason that he had paid the amount to this office, and the same was deposited with the City Collector, said payment being made to pay the charge that is now abated.

VOTED, to abate the charge of \$35.00 against R. & J. Farquhar & Co. for the reason that the amount was deducted from their bill on the March draft.

A petition was received from Mr. Samuel P. Kaplan asking that a contract be made between the City of Boston and the Singer Stock Company for the letting of the ward room on Blossom street for the purpose of giving Jewish performances.

It was VOTED, to refer the above to some later meeting.

Bids were opened on contract for fence around the elephant yard at Franklin Park as follows:

Boston Structural Steel Co.....	\$3,740.00
Smith & Lovett Co.....	3,225.00
Eugene A. Simpson.....	2,745.00
W. A. Snow Iron Works, Inc.....	1,895.00

and it was VOTED, to award, subject to the approval of the mayor, the contract to the lowest bidder, W.A.Snow Iron Works Co. for the sum of \$1,895.00.

*D. J. [Signature]*  
SECRETARY.

Boston, Mass. Oct. 2, 1914.

A meeting of the Board of Park & Recreation Commissioners was held at 53 Beacon St., at 10.30 a. m. Present Messrs. Dillon and Gibson.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports of Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

It was VOTED to request Mr. Shea to give a report from all foremen and men in charge of gangs of men in the labor service of this department. Same to be included in his weekly report.

A special draft was approved for payment to G. Henri Desmond being first payment for services as architect on Elephant House in Franklin Park, for the amount of Eight Hundred Ninety Nine & 78/100 Dollars.

It was VOTED to grant permission to the Board of Street Commissioners to make a taking of land 35 feet wide on Seaver St. between Humbolt Ave. and Blue Hill Ave. as per plans dated Sept. 22, 1914.

A communication from the Public Service Commission dated Sept. 29th, 1914 stating that the Commission approved the grant of location and rights to the West End Street Railway Co. for a cross connection in Commonwealth Ave. west of Beacon St. was read and placed on file.

It was voted to abate a charge of \$221.43 to H. A. Hitners Sons of Philadelphia, Pa. for salvage services at Governor's Island, for the reason that the charge was an unfair one as they had their own men there and this charge was for services of our regular custodian on Governor's Island: in addition no charge was made to others for the same privilege.

VOTED this Board prohibits the use of all park lands for playground purposes between Huntington Ave. and Jamaica Pond with the exception of one field now in use and located at Olmsted Park.

*C. D. Lyman*  
Secretary

Boston, Mass. Oct. 9 1914.

A meeting of the Board of Park & Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 11 a. m.

Present Messrs Dillon and Gibson.

Records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports of Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

Permission was granted to Mr. Frank H. Briggs, 10 High St. to arrange to have a cross country run Nov, 14, 1914 through Franklin Park.

Permission was granted to the South Boston Yacht Club to store their raft and floats at L St. under the same conditions as in former years.

Permission was granted, (subject to the approval of the Police Commissioner to allow Timothy H. Sullivan to transfer his carriage license #1121 to Thomas H. McGovern,) to allow transfer of carriage stand at the corner of Commonwealth Ave., and Massachusetts Ave. from Timothy H. Sullivan to Thomas H. McGovern.

VOTED to ask G. V. Wattendorf, provision dealers, 38 North St., to supply meats to this Department for the animals at the Zoo.

Bids were opened at this office for placing a guard fence at the elephant yard, Franklin Park as follows:

Smith & Lovett Co.,	\$2265
W. A. Snow Iron Works (Inc)	1795
Wright Wire Co.,	1422

It was VOTED to award the contract to the lowest bidder, The Wright Wire Co for the sum of One Thousand Four Hundred Twenty Two Dollars.

*D. J. Byrne*  
Secretary



Boston, Mass. Oct. 16, 1914.

A meeting of the Board of Park & Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St. at 10.50 a. m.

Present Messrs. Dillon, Galvin and Gibson.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports of Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

A communication from Mr. Roger F. Scannel, pres. of the Mattapan Improvement Association, relative to the purchase of a piece of land for Playground purposes was read and on motion of the Board was laid on table.

The report of the Finance Commission relative the rental of the various houses on the playgrounds now occupied by Custodians was referred the Secretary with instructions to arrange with Mr John Beck, Real Estate Expert, to have a proper rental appraised for each place.

A communication from the City Council requesting that they be informed as to what plans, if any, are in contemplation to establish a Playground or Playgrounds in the Hyde Park District, was read and on motion was referred to a later meeting.

It was VOTED to instruct the Secretary to send a letter to Mr. Benson to make a weekly report on each Thursday on the activities of the Zoo, with whatever recommendations he may deem proper.

It was VOIED to instruct the Secretary to purchase a book called "Modern City Planning and Maintenance", by Frank Koester.

It was VOIED to reinstate Joseph P. Kilday, Inspector of Street Trees, and Squares, who was suspended on July 17, 1914.

It was VOIED to notify the Mayor that this Department cannot use for Park purposes the land at the corner of Seaver St and Walnut Ave. and also the land at the corner of Harold and Seaver Sts. and would therefore respectfully recommend that these two plots be placed on sale.

It was VOTED to grant a leave of absence to John J. Sullivan attendant at the Zoo from Oct. 15th to April 14, 1915.

It was VOIED to ask the Cemetery Department for the transfer of Mr. James E Phelan, Gardener in that Department to the same

position in this Department.

It was VOTED to send a communication to Civil Service asking the privilege of using life guards and helpers as beach patrol during the winter months.

It was VOTED to recommend settlement of claim of T. F. Nelson & Co for compensation for damages to wagon caused by overhanging limb of tree at 56 Wyman St. Jamaica Plain, Oct. 19, 1913 by payment of the sum of \$15.45

*D. J. Byrne*  
Secretary

Boston, Mass. Oct. 23, 1914.

A meeting of the Board of Park & Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 10.30 a. m.

Present, Messrs Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports from Mr. Shea, Mr. McGrath and Mr. Benson were read and placed on file.

It was VOTED to offer the sum of \$600 to \$700 for rustic bridge in the Fenway to the Lovesy Rustic Mfg. Co.

It was VOTED, subject to the approval of the Mayor, to retire from active service in this Department Mr. John Connor, and Mr. John Hartin, Laborers at \$2.50 per day.

It was VOTED to grant permission to the Algonquin Club to erect an awning leading from the front entrance to the club, 217 Commonwealth Ave. on stormy days, same as in former years.

It was VOTED to grant permission to James Morrison to have an automobile (Ford) at his carriage stand on Commonwealth Ave. same to replace carriage now there.

It was Voted to grant permission to the Hotel Tuileries to use an awning over the sidewalk on the afternoon and evening of Nov. 20

Voted that there be allowed and paid to T. S. Nelson & Co., the sum of Fifteen and 45/100 Dollars for compensation for damage to wagon caused by overhanging limb of tree at 56 Wyman St., Jamaica Plain, Oct. 19, 1913

Oct. 23, 1914.

Voted that there be allowed and paid to T. J. Kenny the sum of One Hundred Five & 00/100 Dollars, being for twisted steel used at Elephant House, Franklin Park as per bill dated Oct. 20, 1914.

Voted that there be allowed and paid to J. C. Coleman & Sons Co., the sum of Five Hundred Twenty Eight and 85/100 Dollars being for final payment on furnishing and delivering loam on the Fens under its contract approved April 11, 1914.

Voted that there be allowed and paid to J. C. Coleman & Sons Co., the sum of One Hundred Ninety-Nine and 30/100 Dollars being for final payment on furnishing and delivering loam on Commonwealth Ave., under its contract approved April 11, 1914.

Voted that there be allowed and paid to Wright Wire Co. the sum of Five Hundred Two & 69/100 being for final payment on contract for fences at Concord and Rutland Sqs under its contract approved Oct. 24, 1913.

Voted that there be allowed and paid to John McCourt Co. the sum of Six Hundred Eighty Seven and 46/100 Dollars, being for final payment on contract for work done and material furnished on retaining walls, stairways and walks at Rutherford Ave. Playground under its contract approved June 27, 1914

Voted that there be allowed and paid to Wright Wire Co. the sum of Two Hundred One & 30/100 Dollars being for final payment on contract for work done and material furnished on fences at Orchard Park, Roxbury, under its contract approved Oct. 24, 1913.

Voted that there be allowed and paid to Firestone Tire and Rubber Co. the sum of Five Hundred Fourteen & 50/100 Dollars, being for automobile supplies as per statement dated Oct. 1, 1914.

Voted to grant permission to the West End Street Railway Co to construct, maintain and use an addition to its existing locations as follows:

On Commonwealth Avenue, at Harvard Avenue Brighton District, additional double curved tracks at the southerly corner, and an addi-

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tional cross-connection west of Harvard Avenue; all so far as the jurisdiction of the Park and recreation Commissioners extends:

Substantially as shown by red lines on plan of A. L. Plimpton Civil Engineer, dated May 29, 1914, filed herewith; together with all necessary curves, cross-overs, switches and connections said alterations being in substitution for existing tracks as shown by dotted black lines on the aforesaid plan.

Permission was also given to said Company to establish and maintain the overhead single trolley electric system of motive power in the operation of its cars on said new tracks, and to erect, maintain and use the necessary poles, as indicated by red dots on said plan; also wires, appliances and electrical appliances and apparatus and to make the underground and surface alterations of the streets necessary for that purpose.

This permit is given and accepted subject to all laws and ordinances, present and future, affecting the City of Boston and all rules and regulations of the Park and Recreation Commissioners.

*D. J. Byrne,*  
Secretary

Boston, Mass. Oct. 30, 1914.

A meeting of the Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 10.15 o'clock.

Present: Messrs. Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports of Mr. Shea, Mr. McGrath and Mr. Benson were read and placed on file.

It was VOTED to recommend to the Corporation Counsel of the City of Boston that he approve the claim of Mr. James H. Kelley for twenty-five dollars for loss of clothing, and that the same be charge to the appropriation of the Park and Recreation Department.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to the Lovesy Rustic Mfg. Co. the sum of Six Hundred Dollars as per bill rendered Oct. 28, 1914 for all cedar rustic work at Fenway Park including Pergola Bridge, Summer House, Seats, etc.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to Hapgood Frost & Co. the sum of One thousand Three Hundred Eighty Nine & 75/100 Dollars being for sixth payment on contract for Carolina Ave., Sanitary and Locker Bldg., under its contract approved Dec. 4, 1913.

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It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to Hubert G. Ripley the sum of Two Hundred Thirty One & 36/100 Dollars being for full architectural services in connection with Field House and Sanitary Bldg., Carolina Ave., Playground, as per bill dated Oct. 30, 1914.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid G. Henri Desmond the sum of Two Hundred Four and 48/100 Dollars, being for commission on account of Elephant House, at Franklin Park, as per bill dated Oct. 30, 1914.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to John F. Griffin Co. the sum of Eight Thousand Five Hundred Twenty & 40/100 Dollars being for first payment on contract for elephant House at Franklin Park, under its contract approved Sept. 23, 1914.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to Burditt & Williams Co. the sum of Five Hundred and 00/100 Dollars, being for lockers at Refectory Building, Franklin Park as per bill dated August 28, 1914.

*L. J. Byrne*  
Secretary

Boston, Mass. Nov. 6, 1914.

A meeting of the Board of Park & Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., 10.30 a. m.

Present: Messrs. Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

Records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports from Mr. Shea, Mr. McGrath and Mr. Benson were read and placed on file.

A communication from the Savin Hill Improvement Association relative to the condition of the Savin Hill Park was read and placed on file.

A communication from the City Council was read as follows:-

ORDERED: That the triangular lot of land on which is located a flag-pole, in Maverick Square in front of the entrance to the East Boston Tunnel, be and the same is hereby placed in the care and custody of the Park and Recreation Commissioners.

It was VOTED to grant permission to the Boston Elevated Railway Co. to renew the snow dump and fence privileges which this Department has granted in the past, viz:-

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- A. The maintenance of about three hundred feet of snow fence on the North Brighton Playground adjoining Western Avenue opposite Riverdale Street. This fence is to be about fifty feet from the sidewalk and in every way satisfactory to this Board.
- B. A snow dump privilege on the Charlestown Playground corner of Main and Alford Streets.
- C. A snow dump privilege on the Strandway, So. Boston, at the entrance opposite Mercer St. just west of the skating pond.

It is understood that the above privileges will be availed of in a manner at all times satisfactory to the Park and Recreation Commissioners

A communication was received from the Chairman of the Committee on Playgrounds of the Mattapan Civic Improvement Association relative to building a fence on the railroad side of the Norfolk St. playground, and the Secretary was instructed to state in reply that this Commission would place a fence there at an early date.

A communication from Mr. Rourke, Commissioner of Public Works sent to Mr. C. E. Putnam, Engineer, was referred to this meeting relative to work necessary to the maintenance of the intersections of Berkley, Clarendon, Dartmouth and Exeter Streets with Commonwealth Avenue; said intersections being in charge of the Public Works Dept. An estimate of \$2500 was made as being the cost of doing the necessary work, and this Commission was asked to have it done and charge the same to the Public Works Department. No action was taken and the matter was referred to a later meeting.

Permission was granted to the Methodist Preachers' Meeting of Boston to erect a bronze tablet under the "Great Elm" on Boston Common. Said tablet to be cast in bronze and fastened to an iron post,  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " squares and set in a cast concrete base buried four feet in the ground. This permission was granted with the understanding that it must receive the approval of the Art Commission of the City of Boston.

It was voted to instruct the Secretary to write to Mr. Roger Scannell asking him to be present at the next meeting of this Commission, Friday, Nov. 13, 1914, at 11 o'clock, relative to the land proposed for the Mattapan Playground.

VOTED, that, whereas the Board of Street Commissioners has taken, at the request of this Board, and with the approval of the Mayor, three parcels of land in the rear of Savin Hill Avenue,

containing respectively 12,000 square feet, 275,000 square feet, and 276,000 square feet, for the Savin Hill Beach Playground, there be awarded and paid to Martha L. Richardson  $\frac{1}{2}$  owner, Stanley W. Richardson  $\frac{1}{4}$  owner, and Rachel H. Roberts  $\frac{1}{4}$  owner, the sum of Five Thousand Five Hundred Sixty and 00/100 Dollars, upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said taking, satisfactory to the Law Department.

VOTED To increase salary of Mr. James W. Follen, Clerk, from \$1000. per year to \$3.50 per day, same to take effect Nov. 6th 1914.

*D. J. Fyler*  
Secretary

Nov. 13, 1914.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon Street at 11 a. m.

Present: Messrs Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports of Mr. Benson and Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

It was VOTED to instruct the Secretary to send an invitation to Fire Commissioner Grady and Captain Claverley to meet the Park and Recreation Commissioners at this office on Tuesday, Nov. 17th at 11 a. m. relative to the cross-overs on Commonwealth Ave.

It was VOTED to grant permission to Mrs. Mary P. Rice, pres. of the Fathers and Mothers Club of Boston to hold a rummage sale in the Blossom St. Building, Ward 8, Boston, on Dec. 7, 8, and 9, 1914. without expense.

*D. J. Fyler*  
Secretary

Nov . 20, 1914.

A meeting of the Park & Recreation Commissioners was held 33 Beacon St., at 11 a. m.

Present: Messrs Dillon, Gibson.

Records of the last meeting were read and approved.

Weekly reports from Mr. Shea, Mr. McGrath and Mr. Benson were read and placed on file.

Commissioner Charles Gibson read a communication from Mrs. Parker reporting on the condition of various playground corners in this Department.

A communication from Dr. Thomas F. Harrington of the School Committee of the City of Boston relative to the appropriation for equipping these corners for 1915, and same was referred to the Chairman for report.

*D. J. Byrne*  
Secretary

Nov. 27, 1914.

A meeting of the Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 11 a. m.

Present: Messrs. Dillon, Gibson, and Galvin.

Records of the last meeting were read and approved.

Weekly reports from Mr. Shea, Mr. McGrath and Mr. Benson were read and placed on file.

It was VOTED to refer the question of the purchase of land for the Mattapan Playground to the Mayor and his Real Estate Expert, Mr. John Beck.

Permission was granted to the Boston Elevated Railroad Company to locate and maintain a sand box at Lake Street and its Commonwealth Ave. Lines on the platform underneath the present shelter. The dimensions of this box to be as follows:- Length 7 ft.; width 4 ft 2 in., height 6 ft 9 in. This box to butt up against the end of the waiting room now used for women.

This permit is granted with the understanding that it will be painted subject to the approval of this Commission.



A communication was received from the Art Commission stating they had voted that the site for the Burns and Phillips monuments on the line of the proposed Boylston Street Mall be approved agreeable to the terms of the letter of the 3rd, inst. from the Park and Recreation Department, this approval to be conditional on placings and physical surroundings satisfactory to both Boards, being provided for the statues by the Park and Recreation Department.

A communication was received from the Art Commission stating they had voted that the placing for statues shown on a plan submitted showing the location for the sites for the Wendell Phillips, Sumner, Burns and Cass monuments on the proposed Boylston Street Mall on the Boston Public Garden be approved in principal with the understanding that their Commission would like to go over with the Park and Recreation Commissioners the arrangement of trees and other matters of detail already considered in connection with these monuments, and it was VOTED to refer this matter to Commissioner Gibson for such action as he deemed necessary.

A communication was received from the Director of School Hygiene Dr. Thomas F. Harrington asking that Custodians at the various playgrounds take charge of the playground material and store it where it will be available and in good condition for use next season.

It was VOTED to put in gas at the Refectory Building at an estimated cost of about \$51.00.

It was VOTED to request Mr. Putnam to submit an estimate and recommendation of what work is most needed to be done at the Refectory Building, said estimate to be not over \$1,300.

It was VOTED that the request of Gorham W. Harris that a walk be constructed on the Fens opposite Simmons College be granted and that the walk be laid out as shown on a plan submitted. The cost to be about \$200.

*D. J. Ryan*  
Secretary.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 4, 1914.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 35 Beacon St., at 10.15 a. m.

Present: Messrs. Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

Records of the last meeting were read and approved,

The weekly reports from Mr. Shea, Mr. McGrath and Mr. Benson

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were read and placed on file.

Permission was granted to the Edison Electric Illuminating Co. to set twelve new carrying poles, temporarily, on Franklin Park between Blue Hill Avenue and Walnut Park so as to feed existing lamps overhead and take out underground pipes between the lamp posts.

Permission was granted to Mr. William Priestly, 48 Pembroke St., Boston, to have a carriage stand for one carriage on the north-west corner of Commonwealth Avenue and Berkeley Street until further notice.

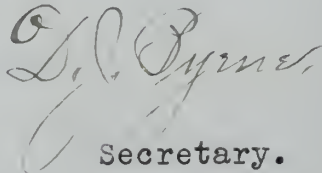
Mr. Putnam's recommendation outlining an expenditure of \$1,300. submitted by him in compliance with the request of this Board was referred back to him to be again submitted with a plan of the changes he recommends.

A communication from Dr. David B. Scannell relative to the destruction of part of the stone wall on Glen Road directly opposite the Duck Pond caused by people climbing up or down was read, and it was VOTED that an entrance to the park be made in that part of the wall.

The chairman called the attention of the Board to the heavy expenditures for the maintenance of automobiles and stables and it was VOTED to refer the matter to the chairman for such action as he deemed necessary.

It was VOTED to approve payment of a special draft for \$8,927.55 to the John F. Griffin Co. same being second payment on contract for Elephant House, at Franklin Park, under their contract approved Sept. 23, 1914, same to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

It was VOTED to approve payment of a special draft for \$214.26 to G. Henri Desmond for architect's services, being for commission on account of the building of the Elephant House at Franklin Park, same being  $\frac{2}{5}$  of 6% of above payment of \$8,927.55 to the John F. Griffin Co. under their contract approved Sept. 23, 1914, as per his bill Dated Dec. 2, 1914.

  
Secretary.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 11, 1914.

A meeting of the Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 55 Beacon Street, at 10.15 a. m.

Present: Messrs Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved

The weekly reports of Mr. Shea, Mr. McGrath and Mr. Benson were read and placed on file.

The Chairman made a report that a committee waited on him representing the owners of driving horses and asked that some of the park roads be constructed to meet the requirements of horse owners and automobiles, and that the same was referred to Mr Shea and Mr. Lutnam to report at the next meeting of the Board what avenues can be utilized for that purpose and what method is the best for keeping them in condition, alike for autos and carriages.

It was VOICED to abate the charge to the Library Department of \$3.50 for work done by one carpenter at Mechanics Building on Oct. 6, 1914.

It was VOICED to grant permission to Mr. Charles Fottler to let, sell, sharpen and repair skates, hockeys, etc., in the Locker building on Franklin Field, for the coming season of 1914-1915, on condition that he make payment of Thirty Five Dollars for the privilege.

A petition from the Boston Elevated Railway Co. for leave to construct, maintain and use an alteration of and an addition to its existing locations as follows:-

On Commonwealth Ave. two additional curve tracks from west of Lake Street to the Newton line, there connecting with extended tracks petitioned for in Newton, together with such additions and relocations of main line tracks as may be necessary to connect with existing tracks in Newton;

Substantially as shown by red lines on plan of A. L. Plimpton, Civil Engineer, dated Nov. 30, 1914, filed herewith; together with all necessary curves, cross overs, switches and connections; said alterations being in substitution for existing tracks as shown by dotted black lines on the aforesaid plan.

Also, that permission be given said company to establish and maintain the overhead single trolley electric system of motive power

in the operation of its cars on said new tracks and to erect, maintain and use the necessary poles, (as indicated by red dots on said plan): also wires, appliances and electrical appliances and apparatus and to make the underground and surface alterations of the streets necessary for that purpose. This was laid over to the next meeting.

The Chairman stated that he was about to commence work on Norfolk St. Playground, blowing up rock, etc.

Permission was asked by the Edison Electric Illuminating Co. to set four poles on Marie St., as shown on blue prints submitted, same was laid over until the next meeting.

*D. J. Byrne,*  
Secretary

Dec. 18, 1914.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St. at 11.30 a. m.

Present:- Commissioners Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

Records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports of Mr. Shea, Mr. McGrath and Mr. Benson were read and placed on file.

It was VOTED to grant permission to the Boston Elevated Railway Company to construct, maintain and use an alteration of an addition to its existing locations as follows:

On Commonwealth Avenue, two additional curved tracks from west of Lake Street to the Newton line, there connecting with extended tracks petitioned for in Newton: together with such additions and relocations of main line tracks as may be necessary to connect with the existing tracks in Newton:

substantially as shown by red lines on plan of A. L. Plimpton, Civil Engineer, dated November 30, 1914, filed herewith; together with all necessary curves, cross-overs, switches and connections; said alterations being in substitution for existing tracks as shown by dotted black lines on the aforesaid plan.

Also, that permission be given said company to establish and maintain the overhead single trolley electric system of motive power in the operation of its cars on said new tracks, and to erect, maintain and use the necessary poles, (as indicated by red dots on said plan); also wires, appliances and electrical appliances and apparatus and to

make the underground and surface alterations of the streets necessary for that purpose.

A report was made by Mr. Putnam relative to necessary repairs to be made to the Refectory Building at an expense of about \$1300. and same was referred to the Chairman for action.

It was VOTED to approve plans for Copley Square as submitted by Mr. Putnam under direction of Commissioner Gibson.

A communication from the Secretary of the Board of Assessors stating that a warrant for gypsy moth assessments amounting to \$14,272.57 had been forwarded to the City Collector on Dec. 12, to be levied and collected through his Department was read and placed on file.

It was VOTED to grant permission to the Barton Associates to use the Ward 8 Building on Sunday, Dec. 20th, also on Dec. 27th, Jan. 3rd, Jan 10th and Jan 17th from 5.30 to 6.30 also on Thursday Jan. 7th, Jan 14th and Jan. 21st from 9. to 10.30 p. m. This permit is granted with the understanding that it may be revoke at any time by the Chairman of this Commission.

A communication from Carlton-Clark Co. relative to the purchase of a bear for the sum of \$25.00 was referred to Mr. Benson for investigation and report.

A special draft of \$250.00 for rental of Border Street Bath House to Coolidge, Loring and Coolidge was approved.

A communication from C. E. Putnam relative to signs extending out on Commonwealth Ave. buildings was referred back to Mr. Putnam with instructions to notify every delinquent to conform to the law.

VOTED to approve request on the Street Commissioners to grant a privilege of a peanut wagon to be located on Charles Street near the Common.

VOTED to advertise for proposals for leasing for a term of three years the refreshment privileges at the booth located at the corner of L Street and the Strandway.

VOTED to advertise for proposals for the privilege of letting row boats and swan boats on the Boston Public Garden for a term of three years.

It was VOTED to sell to the Penal institutions Department

two horses, one for \$200.00, one for \$175.00, one wagon for \$75.00 and one harness for \$20.00, total \$470.00.

VOTED to arrange for parking privileges in Franklin Park at corner of Walnut Avenue and Seaver Street, exact location and prices to be charged to be designated after conference between the Chairman of this Commission and Mr. Howard Whitmore, the executive secretary of the United Improvement Association.

A communication from John C. Kiley relative to naming a part of the Fenway, Forsyth Road, or Forsyth Park was referred to the next meeting.

It was VOTED to make arrangements later to get an assortment of fish at the Aquarium.

The Chairman stated that he is going to start work on Ronan Park the coming week.

*G. J. Byrne*  
Secretary

Boston, January 1, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon Street at 11a. m.

Present Commissioners Dillon and Gibson.

Records of the last meeting were read and approved.

Weekly reports from Mr. Shea, and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

It was VOTED to grant permission to Mr. Patrick T. Anglin on behalf of the West End Troubadors to have the use of the Ward 8 Building on Sunday Afternoons between the hours of 2.30 to 5.30 during the month of January, 1915.

It was VOTED to grant permission to John I FitzGerald on behalf of the St. Joseph T. A. Society to have the use of the Ward 8 Building on Wednesday and Friday Evenings during the months of January, February and March, with the understanding that this permit may be revoked at any time by this Commission.

It was VOTED to grant the use of the Ward 8 Building on Feb. 22nd, 1915 from 2 to 6 and from 7 to 10.30 p. m. for a basket ball game to be given by the St. Joseph T. A. Society of the West End.

It was VOTED to grant permission to E. R. Grabow, Hotel Tuileries, to erect an awning from time to time in front of the Hotel Tuileries on Commonwealth Ave. Notice of each occasion of its use to be mailed to this office during the year 1915.

A proposal to insure thirty two boilers throughout the Department for three years for the sum of Five Hundred and Ninety Four Dollars was read and was referred to the Chairman for such action as he deemed necessary

It was VOTED to retire the following laborers employed in this Department for the reason that they are physically incapacitated

Mr. Alexander Boyd,	153 Lydon St., East Boston,	Age 72 yrs
Mr. Richard T. Norton	4 Oakland Ave., Rox.	73 yrs
Patrick J. McQuiggan	32 Summit Ave., Brighton	80 yrs
Redmond Quirk	104 Williams St. Jam. Pl	65 yrs
Michael Shanney	7 Jamaica Place, Jam. Plain	67 yrs
William H. Rumney	Trenton St., E. Boston	70 yrs
Michael Downs	58 Adams St., Dorchester	70 yrs
John Hurley	2 Edgar St. Roxbury,	69 yrs
William Locke	663 Parker St. Roxbury	66 yrs
James Cowan	9 Greenheys, Dorchester	68 yrs
Thomas Cunningham	5 Lark St. So. Boston,	68 yrs
Owen Lynch	54 F St. So. Boston	74 yrs
Martin Shiel	6 Dove St. So. Boston	67 yrs
John Dean	19 Everett St., E. Boston	70 yrs
James S. Kissick	880 Columbus Ave., Boston	72 yrs
Daniel McCarthy	Grove St. West Rox	66 yrs
Thomas Cox	276 Neponset Ave., Dorchester	75 yrs
John E. Daly	287 Bunker Hill St. Chas.	70 yrs
Thomas Carvin	45 Speedwell St., Dorchester	65 yrs
Daniel Donovan	40 Terrace St. Rox.	62 yrs
Dennis Toland	81 Border St. E. B.	55 yrs
Lawrence McCarthy	38 Philips St., Rox.	60 yrs

It was VOTED to ask for the transfer of Mr. Thomas Carley, 11 Dennis St. Roxbury, now employed as a laborer in the Cemetery Department at \$2.50 per day to the position of laborer in the Park and Recreation Department at \$2.50 per day.

It was VOTED to refer the purchase of bathing suits and towels to the Chairman for such action as he deemed necessary.

It was VOTED to ask the Law Dept. of the City of Boston to draw up an act for the alteration and improvement of Copley Square in the City of Boston, the same to be presented by the Mayor to the Legislature of 1915.

A communication was received from the Art Commission relative to placing a sign on the Boston Common near the Blackstone Tablet wherein it was suggested to change the phrasing of the one submitted for their approval, and it was voted to instruct the Secretary

to write a letter to Mr. R. Clipston Sturgis and notify him of the action of the Art Commission in this matter.

A communication from the Roxbury Historical Society, relative to the Highland Park Stand-Pipe, was read and placed on file.

It was VOTED to name that part of the Fenway near the Art Museum Evans Road, that part near the Forsyth Dental Institute-, Forsyth Road, and that part near Mrs. J. Gardner's Residence, Gardner Road. the exact line of intersection to be designated later.

A financial statement to date was submitted by the Secretary.

Bids were opened for the privileges of letting swan boats and row boats on the Public Garden, and leasing the refreshment booth at L Street and same was awarded to the highest bidders as follows:

Bids for Refreshment privilege at L St.

Thomas F. O'Brien,	1748 Columbia Rd.	\$800. per year for 3 yrs
Joseph P. Crotty	92 Blue Hill Ave.	501. " " " " "
# Vincent Montello	46 Norman St.	450. " " " " "
Karl Martin	71 Savin St.	425. " " " " "
Adele Commaford		365. " " " " "
Thomas J. Burke		165. " " " " "
Mrs. Mary Shea	8 Flint St.	600. for three years
Patrick J. Connelly	37 Old Harbor St.	550. " " "
John J. Mahoney	355 K St.	500. " " "
# Vincent Montello	46 Norman St.	600. per year for 5 yrs

Bids for Swan Boats on Public Garden

Samuel M. Schlesinger	31 Eustis St.	605. per year for 3 yrs
Karl Martin	71 Savin St.	525. " " " " "
Samuel J. Deerany	56 Hudson St.	335. " " " " "
John J. Paget	15 Mapleton St.	333.33 " " " " "

# Not accepted for the reason that a duplicate bid was not filed with the City Auditor.

*D. J. Dwyer*  
Secretary

Jan. 8, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 10.45 a. m.

Present, Commissioners Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

Records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file

A special draft was approved for Three Hundred --- Dollars for fourth and final payment for work done and material furnished on re-surfacing road way on Commonwealth Ave by Coleman Bros. under their contract approved July 15, 1912.



A special draft was approved for One Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Eight Dollars and 5/100 for fifth and final payment for work done and material furnished on General Contract for Sanitary Building at Rutherford Ave Playground to the John F. Griffin Co., under their contract approved Dec. 8th, 1913.

A special draft was approved for Five Thousand One Hundred Seventy One and 25/100 Dollars being for bill of the Boston Fire Department for coal used for heating Dover St. Bath House including labor for the year 1914.

A special draft was approved for One Hundred Eighty One & 11/100 Dollars being for balance due for Commission on contract of J. F. Griffin Co. to build elephant house at Franklin Park.

A special draft was approved for Three Thousand Six Hundred Twenty Six and 95/100 Dollars being third payment for labor and material furnished on general contract to John F. Griffin Co. for building elephant house at Franklin Park, under terms of contract dated September 23, 1914.

Mr. Gould of the Edison Electric Illuminating Co. was present before the Board to explain about their application for placing of poles on Marie St. at Ronan Park, and it was VOTED to grant permission to place four poles there with the understanding that this Commission reserves the right to revoke it at any time.

Petitions were read from Dr. George Cutler, from Dr. James Knight Wardwell, and Herbert S. Mode, and Morris Bronstein asking that the name of Boylston Road be changed to Boylston Street because as the conditions are now, they as the tenants and owners of the only two houses on their side of the street they were unable to do business properly. Their customers were confused as the numbers on one side of the street were numbered as a continuation of Boylston Street and their side of the street with only two houses on it was numbered 9 and 11 Boylston Road. It was VOTED to change the name of Boylston Road to Boylston Street for the above reasons.

It was VOTED to make an additional exit through the fence on the Park Street side of Boston Common at a place to be designated by the Chairman.

It was VOTED to instruct the Secretary to ask the Law Depart-

ment as to what jurisdiction the Art Commission has under the clause that states in the Acts of 1898, Chapter 410, Section 3 the following: "When so requested by the Mayor or the City Council said Commission may in its discretion act in a similar capacity with similar powers in respect to the design of any ..... approach,....." in order that they may be guided in their recommendation for the alteration and improvement of Copley Square.

Representatives from the Mattapan Improvement Association were present before the Board advocating a new playground for the Mattapan and Hyde Park Districts, speaking in favor of a piece of land belonging to Mr. Roger Scannell.

*E. J. Byrne*  
Secretary

Jan. 15, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 10.45 a. m.

Present, Commissioners Dillon, Gibson and Calvin.

Records of the last meeting were read and approved.

Weekly reports from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

A petition was received from the New England Telephone Co., and it was voted to allow the attachment of a guy wire from Hancock Street to the second tree on Rill St., Dorchester District. The Board reserves the right to revoke this permission at any time.

A communication was received from the Art Commission enclosing copies of unanimous votes of this commission approved by his Honor, the Mayor, and calling for the relocation of the Cass and Sumner statues on the Boston Public Garden. In reply to their query as to whether the Park and Recreation Department would not undertake the building of the necessary foundations and the relocation of these statues, it was VOTED to instruct the Secretary to notify the Art Commission that if they will stake out the exact spot, we will dig the foundation.

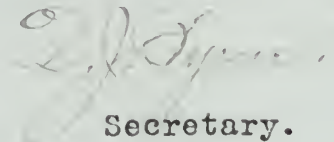
Estimates were submitted and approved for the expenditures for the fiscal year of 1915-16.

On motion of Commissioner Gibson it was VOTED to recommend to the Mayor that all swimming instructors be paid the same salary as

gymnasium instructors.

On motion of Commissioner Gibson it was VOTED to recommend that an increase be given to gym. instructors, and also, to recommend that a first class chauffeur be engaged as an emergency night man.

A special draft was approved for Sixteen Hundred ten and 75/100 dollars being for first payment on their contract for building iron fence at the Elephant House in Franklin Park, to the W. A. Snow Iron Works.

  
Secretary.

Jan. 22, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 10.30, A. M.

Present: Commissioners Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports of Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

A special draft was approved for the sum of One Hundred Fifty dollars, being for services and testimony as real estate expert, for J. R. Yendley, in trial of cases of land takings for playground purposes in Ward 19.

A special draft was approved for the sum of Eleven and 3/100 dollars, being for incidental expenses for D. J. Byrne, secretary, as per his bill dated Jan. 15, 1915.

A special draft was approved for the sum of Fifty dollars, being for services of John F. F. Kinney, for attendance in court and his testimony in case of land takings for playground purposes in Ward 19.

A special draft was approved for the sum of Ten dollars, being for settlement of claim of Thomas Bowen for compensation for torn coat on defective tree guard at 170 Columbia Road, August, 1914, on recommendation of the Law Department.

A special draft was approved for the sum of One Hundred dollars being settlement of claim for compensation for personal injuries caused by projecting branch of a tree in front of 41 Allen St., March 30, 1914, on recommendation of the Law Dept. for John J. O'Brien.

A special draft was approved for the sum of Thirteen Hundred

Sixty-seven and 25/100 dollars, being for final payment on contract for sanitary and locker building, Carolina Ave. Playground, to the Hapgood and Frost Co., under their contract approved Dec. 4, 1913.

It was Voted to purchase 50,000 yards of crash towelling, same to be made into towels by the sewing force of this department.

It was VOTED to order 3,000 bathing suits, assorted sizes, and 10,000 men's and boy's tights.

It was voted to grant permission to Samuel N. Schlesinger to sell and assign his rights to the Public Garden boat privilege to John J. Paget, with the understanding that said John J. Paget be bound by all its terms and conditions and that the Law Department and the Mayor approve it.

It was VOTED to ask permission of the Mayor to waive clause "J" in section 3 in the specifications in the contract with the John C. Coleman & Sons Co., approved Jan. 13, 1915, which provides that the sum to be paid on said contract shall not exceed Five Thousand dollars and instead that they be permitted to do digging and grading work under their contract to an amount not exceeding Ten Thousand dollars.

*D. Q. Ryan*  
Secretary.

Jan. 27, 1915.

A special meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St. at 3 O'clock, P. M.

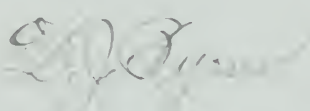
Present: Commissioners Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

Proposals for repairing tree pits in Broadway and Marine Park, South Boston, were opened as follows:

	For excavation Item 1. per cu.yd.	For Loam. Item 2. per cu.yd.	For brick pavement relaid. Item 3. per sq.yd.	Estimated amount.
J. B. O'Rourke, 11 Pleasant St. Dorchester.	\$2.25	\$2.90	\$.50	\$3,341.50
F. J. Hannon, 146 Summer St., Boston.	1.55	1.60	.30	2,041.50
John McCourt Co., 46 Wait St., Roxbury.	1.10	1.80	.50	1,969.00
D. M. Biggs & Co., 60 Marsh St. Dorchester.	.65	1.25	.81	1,483.00
J. H. Fannon, 27 Hineckley St. Somerville.	1.00	1.25	.30	1,492.00
Mark H. Lynch, 106 School St.	.45	1.25	.45	1,217.00

Jan. 27, 1915. continued.

It was VOTED, subject to the approval of the Mayor, to award the contract to the lowest bidder, Mr. Mark H. Lynch, 106 School St., Roxbury, for the approximate amount of \$1,217.00

  
Secretary.

Jan. 29, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 11.30, A. M.

Present: Commissioners Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

The records of the last regular and special meetings were read and approved.

The weekly reports of Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

A report from Mr. Putnam, relative to work to be done excavating on Parker Hill, and the balustrade work at Marine Park was read and placed on file.

A communication from the Law Department, giving an opinion as to what jurisdiction the Art Commission has relative to the word "approach" in Chapter 410, section 3, of the Acts of 1898, was read and placed on file.

A communication from the Boston Finance Commission, relative to the advisability of selling the Parkman House, and moving the office of the Park and Recreation Department to the Pine Bank building at Jamaica Pond, was read and placed on file.

An application for retirement was made by Mr. Peter Sweeney, and it was VOTED, that this Board recommend to the retirement Board for laborers that Peter Sweeney, employed as a laborer in this department since April 14, 1900, age 64 years, with a yearly salary of \$782.50, be retired from service for the reason that he is physically incapacitated and unable to do hard work.

Jan. 29, 1915. continued.

An application was made by S. I. Hudgens, Ipswich, Mass., for the privilege of keeping burros for hire at City Point, South Boston, during the coming summer of 1915, and it was VOTED, that owing to the construction conditions that would exist, it be deemed inadvisable to grant this permit.

A special draft was approved for Two Hundred Fifty-six and 40/100 dollars, payable to the Firestone Tire & Rubber Company, same being for automobile repairs, as per their bill dated January 21, 1915.

It was VOTED, to order six Ford runabout automobiles at an expense of \$465.50 per car, total \$2,793.00.

It was VOTED, to sell the two cars now unfit for use, (Ford) formerly used by Mr. Hogan and MR. Conley, for \$100. per car, total, \$200. to Mr. H. M. Snow, Ford Motor Co., 557 Boylston St.

It was voted, to ask permission of the Mayor to waive clause "J" in section 3 in the specifications in the contract with the John C. Coleman & Sons Co., approved Jan. 13, 1915, which provides that the sum to be paid on said contract shall not exceed \$10,000 and that instead they be permitted to do digging and grading work under their contract to an amount not to exceed Fifteen Thousand (\$15,000) dollars.



Secretary.

Feb. 5, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 10.30, A. M.

Present: Commissioners Dillon and Gibson.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The reports of Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

Application to hang a sign 8 ft long by 15 inches wide at 1105 Commonwealth Ave. was approved, subject to Mr. Putnam's approval.

Feb. 5, 1915. (Con't)

A special draft was approved for Ten Thousand One Hundred Thirty and 8/100 Dollars payable to the J. C. Coleman & Sons Co. being for first payment on their contract for digging and grading at Ronan Park approved by the Mayor, Jan. 13, 1915.

It was VOTED to award to Charles J. Jacobs Co. a contract for Ten Thousand Dollars on a ten per cent. basis for digging and grading at Parker Hill.

The Chairman announced that a donation of \$5,000 had been given to put some unemployed men to work and it was VOTED to accept the same and expend it on work on the Strandway.

*E. J. Ryan*  
Secretary

Feb. 12, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St. at 10.30 a. m.

Present: Commissioners Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

Records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports of Mr. McGrath and Mr. Shea were read and placed on file.

Mr. Putnam submitted an estimate of the cost of the proposed horse shed at Franklin Field amounting to \$1120. which added to the estimated cost of the proposed grandstand \$3800 gives a total estimated cost of \$4920. and it was VOTED to advertise for bids to build same.

An application from the Boston Elevated Railway Co. was read to build a shelter at the Kenmore Street Landing of the Boylston Street Subway, and it was VOTED to grant permission to build same in accordance with plans submitted dated Jan. 19, 1915 and signed by F. F. Low, Archt.

*E. J. Ryan*  
Secretary

Feb. 19, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park & Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St. at 10.30 a. m.

Present:- Commissioners Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

Before the regular business started a delegation was heard from the Mattapan Improvement Association on the subject of a playground in Mattapan. Also a committee from Brighton consisting of Mr. John H. Lee and Mr. Joshua Atwood was heard relative to placing steps and landing at place where car stops now, corner of Foster St. and Commonwealth Ave.

Records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.


A communication from Mr. C. E. Putnam was read relative to Mr. O'Neil's bill of \$30.00 for storage of tools and materials from Orchard Park, and it was VOTED to pay same.

An estimate was submitted of \$670.00 for new equipment and making the necessary repairs to place Dover St. Laundry in proper condition, and it was VOTED to approve same.

It was voted that there be allowed and paid to F. A. Gafney on special draft the sum of \$187.21 same being for fish as per his bill dated Feb. 1, 1915.

It was voted that there be allowed and paid to J. C. Coleman & Sons Co. the sum of \$4,867.86 being for second and final estimate of work done and material furnished on grading on Ronan Park, to Feb. 13, 1915, under its contract approved Jan. 13, 1915.

It was voted that there be allowed and paid to Charles J. Jacobs Co. the sum of five thousand three hundred sixty and 50/100 dollars being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on grading on Parker Hill Playground, under its contract approved February 3, 1915.

  
Secretary



Feb. 26, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park & Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 10.30 a. m.

Present: Commissioners Dillon and Gibson, and Galvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The reports of Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

Bids were opened for refreshment both privilege at Franklin Park as follows:-

<u>Name</u>	<u>Per year</u>	<u>Total Amount</u>
Karl Martin 71 Savin St.	\$3,200.	\$16,000
James S. Maguire 15 Colberg Ave. Roslindale	2,050	10,250
Joseph Ready, Jr. 97 Calumet St., Roxbury,	1,850.	9,250
Wm. F. Dwyer 130 Calumet St. Roxbury,	1,625	8,125
Robert E. Murray 2992 Washington St. Roxbury	1,500	7,500
J. H. Deutschman 120 Dartmouth St.	1,400	7,000
Wm. L. Henegan, 674 Commonwealth Av.	1,250	6,250
A. F. Gregory 5 Pickering Ave., Roxbury,	1,215	6,075
A. Harry Adolin 62 St. James Ave.	1,200	6,000
C. L. Raulston 776 Broadway	1,000	5,025
Wm. T. Delaney 3 Larchmont St.	1,000	5,000
S. J. Rubin 61 Granite Ave. Dorchester	1,000	5,000 (also agrees to build booth cost- ing \$5,000.
Weiss & Park 650 Blue Hill Ave.	1,000	5,000
Wm. F. Coakley 25 Sudan St., Dorchester.	80	400

<u>Name</u>	<u>Per year</u>	<u>Total Amount</u>
Patrick Mullen 23 Sullivan St. Charlestown.	-----	100.00

Mr. Samuel H. Sullivan petitioned that the building line restriction upon the lot of land at the south easterly corner of Columbia Road and Buttonwood Street be removed, and upon careful consideration it was VOTED not to grant Mr. Sullivan's request.

On motion of Commissioner Gibson it was VOTED that we look into a system of hiring autos with an unlimited service by the year.

It was VOTED to make repairs on the Dorchester Burying Ground fence at an estimated expense of about \$50.00

*J. J. Byrne*  
Secretary

March 5, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St. at 10,30. a. m.

Present: Commissioners Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to Peter J. Mullen the sum of Thirty Eight Dollars in compensation for injuries received while in the employ of the Park Department, Jan. 1909, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for reserve fund.

It was voted that there be allowed and paid to Mark H. Lynch Six Hundred Seventy Six & 17/100 Dollars being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished at tree pits in Broadway and Marine Park, South Boston, under his contract approved Feb. 19, 1915.

An application for the privilege of placing one fire-proof gasoline pump on the curb stone edge of Columbia Road near Dorchester Ave. Ward 16, was made by Mr. Charles Krauss and it was VOTED not to grant his request as it was deemed inadvisable to have a gasoline pump at that location.

An application was presented by the Boston Elevated Railway Co.

and it was VOTED to grant permission to the West End Street Rail-  
way Company by the Boston Elevated Railway Company, its attorney, ,  
to construct, maintain and use and alteration of and an addition  
to its existing locations as follows:-

Temporary single curved track on Commonwealth Ave.,  
connecting with a similar track at the Newton line:  
substantially as shown by red line on plan of A. L. Plimpton, Civil  
Engineer, dated, February 25, 1915, filed herewith; together with  
all necessary curves, cross-overs, switches and connections; said  
alterations being in substitution for existing tracks as shown by  
dotted black lines on the aforesaid plan.

Also, permission is given said company to establish and main-  
tain the overhead single trolley electric system of motive power in  
the operation of its cars on said new tracks and to erect, maintain  
and use the necessary poles; also wires, appliances and electrical  
appliances and apparatus and to make the underground and surface  
alterations of the streets necessary for that purpose.

A letter was received relative to supplying tropical fish for  
the aquarium from Mr. Benson and same was laid over until the next  
meeting.

An application from Mr. James H. Sullivan Division Engineer of  
the Public Works Department was received asking the approval of a  
sketch of the proposed construction of Pelton Street at West Rox-  
bury Parkway, and it was VOTED to approve same, and to call the  
attention of the Commissioner of Public Works to the fact that the  
plans of this Department do not provide for boundary road upon the  
Parkway at that point.

Proposals were opened at this office at 12M for building grand  
stand and horse shed at Franklin Field as follows:

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Item #1 Grand Stand &amp; Horse Shed Complete</u>	<u>Item #2 Grand Stand Complete</u>	<u>Item #3 Horse Shed Complete</u>
McKenzie & Temple 180 Milk St.	\$4,820	\$3,440	\$1,380
Hapgood Frost Co. Wellesley	4,876	3,500	1,450
John F. Griffin Co. Milk St.	4,891	3,477	1,414
Rox. Const. Co. 42 Wentworth St. Dor.	4,897	3,747	1,250
McNeil Const. Co 201 Devonshire St.	5,070	3,368	1,702

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Grand Stand &amp; Horse shed complete</u>	<u>Grand Stand Complete</u>	<u>Horse Shed Complete</u>
M. F. McDonald & Son 98 Granite St.	\$5,127	3,870	1,257
Wm. M. Flynn 14 Federal St.	5,207	4,148	1,059
Simpson Bros Corp 166 Devonshire St.	5,409	4,128	1,481
W. A. Murtfeldt Co. 161 Devonshire St.	5,426	3,563	1,863
M. J. Fish 114 State St.	6,000	4,115	1,895
F. F. Johnsberg 850 Old South Bldg.	6,068	4,293	1,775
Wm. Crane 166 Devonshire St.	6,188	4,298	1,890
D. M. Biggs & Co. 60 Marsh St., Dor.	6,425	4,775	1,825
McDonald & Kivell 155 Milk St.	7,028	4,793	2,235
Fred E. Bowes 40 Harrison Ave.	-----	-----	1,640

It was Voted, subject to the Mayor's approval, to award the contract for building the Grand Stand complete to the lowest bidder, the McNeil Construction Company for the sum of \$3,368, and to award contract for building the Horse Shed complete to the lowest bidder, W. M. Flynn, for the sum of \$1,059.

*D. J. Flynn*  
Secretary

Boston, March 12, 1915.

A meeting of the Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon Street, at 10.30 a. m.

Present: Commissioners Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to Charles J. Jacobs the sum of Four Thousand Three and 87/100 Dollars, the same being second and final estimate for Parker Hill Grading, under its contract approved Feb. 3rd, 1915.

It was VOTED to grant a leave of absence to Thomas J. Connor Ward 3 Gymnasium from March 15th to June 30th

It was VOTED to ask for the transfer from the Public Works

Department to the Park & Recreation Department of Mr. John T. Nee, 263 Broadway, South Boston, now employed as a machinist at \$3.25 per day.

A letter was read from Mr. Karl Martin stating that he withdrew his bid for the refreshment privilege at Franklin Park. The letter was accepted and placed on file.

It was VOTED to award the refreshment privilege at Franklin Park to Mr. S. J. Rubin, 61 Granite Ave., Dorchester for rental of One Thousand Dollars per year for Five years with the understanding that he is to erect a building subject to the approval of this Commission to cost not less than five thousand dollars same to revert to the City of Boston at the end of five years.

*S. J. Rubin*  
Secretary

March 19, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St. at 10.30 a. m.

Present: Commissioners Dillon, Gibson and Calvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports of Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to John F. Griffin Co. the sum of Three Thousand Seven Hundred Nineteen & 10/100 Dollars the same being the fourth estimate of payment for labor and material furnished for elephant house at Franklin Park under its contract dated Sept. 23, 1914.

It was VOTED to approve a list of names as submitted for appointment as special police officers to serve in and about the premises of the parks, playgrounds, gymnasias, baths and beaches under the control of the Park and Recreation Department.

It was VOTED to notify Mr. Samuel H. Sullivan that the Board would not change the restrictions on the southerly corner of Columbia Road and Buttonwood Street and the Secretary was instructed to send him a copy of letter from Mr. Putnam giving the opinion on said restrictions of Mr. Owen of the Law Department.

A communication was received from Mr. William D. Austin, Archt., endorsing the suggestion of surmounting the columnade of four columns in Franklin Park with Mr. Pope's group entitled, "Vanishing Wild Life" and it was Voted to instruct the Secretary to inform him that this Board would give the matter their careful consideration.

A communication was received from Mr. John H. Gibbs, Pres. of the Robert B. Brigham Hospital asking to be notified of any movement towards converting the site of the reservoir on Parker Hill into a public playground, and it was VOTED to instruct the Secretary to notify him that this Board has no intention at the present time of making it into a public playground and when that is to be considered he will be so notified

A communication was read from the Art Commission and placed on file

Two communications from the City Council relative to the Gibson Playground were read and placed on file.

A communication from Mr. James Longley, 24 Charlesgate East was read relative to the name of the short Street running from Boylston Road to Ipswich Street asking that the same be changed, as it caused great annoyance to the Public, and it was VOTED to take this matter up with the Street Commissioners.

It was VOTED to advertise for bids for paving Columbia Road and Commonwealth Ave. bids to be opened at this office on March 26,

*D. J. Byrne*  
Secretary

March 26, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 10.30 a. m.

Present, Commissioners, Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The reports from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to W. A. Snow Iron Works, Inc. the sum of Two Hundred Eighty Four & 25/100 Dollars being for final payment on contract on fence around Elephant Yard approved Oct. 8, 1914.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to Mark H. Lynch the sum of One Hundred Fifty Two & 92/100 Dollars being the second and quantities final estimate on work done and material furnished on tree pits in Broadway and Marine Park, South Boston, under his contract approved Feb. 19, 1915.

It was VOTED to grant permission to Mr. Charles Krauss to erect and maintain a gasoline dispensing pump on the curb stone edge of Columbia Road near Dorchester Ave. with the understanding that before it becomes operative it must have the approval of the Fire Commissioner of the City of Boston. This Board reserves the right to revoke this permit at any time upon a thirty days' notice

It was VOTED to grant permission to the New England Telephone and Telegraph Co. to install an underground conduit on Commonwealth Ave. construction plans for same having been approved by Mr. Putnam.

It was VOTED to approve plan No 12390 submitted by the Boston Transit Commission showing the proposed rearrangement of sidewalk and curb adjoining the Public Garden, Boylston Street near corner of Arlington Street. Commissioner Gibson stated that he would see Mr. Edwin S. Davis Chief Engineer of the Boston Transit Commission and give him an outline of how this Commission desires the coping to be sunk gradually from a point opposite the Church Street entrance up to Arlington Street, and the Secretary was notified to write Mr. Davis to that effect.

Communication was read from Dr. Thomas F. Harrington giving a list of the various playgrounds upon which the Boston School Committee planned to have playground activities for the year 1915

Proposals were opened at this office at 12M for constructing wood block pavement on Commonwealth Ave., as follows:-

Clark & Gore 197 Ashmont St., Dor.	\$60,014.00
James Doherty 133 Calumet St., Rox.	62,074.00
Rowe Contracting Co., 1607 Commonwealth Ave.,	64,676.30
Coleman Bros. Boston, Mass.	65,770.00
Northern Construction Co. 99 W. Cedar St.,	68,778.00

John J. Lane Brighton	\$69,567.00
John E. Quinn 176 Federal St.,	69,653.00
Simpson Bros., Corp. 166 Devonshire St.	71,147.05
Hanscom Const. Co. 70 Kilby St.,	73,988.00
John McCourt Co., 46 Wait St., Rox.	79,085.00

It was VOTED, subject to the Mayor's approval to award the contract to the lowest bidder, Clark & Gore, 197 Ashmont St., Dorchester for the approximate amount of \$60,014.00

Proposals were opened at this office at 12M for constructing a bithulithic pavement on Columbia Road as follows:-

James Doherty 133 Calumet St. Rox	\$41,260.00
John L Kelley 280 Columbia Rd., Dor.	41,545.00
Fred S. Gore 197 Ashmont St., Dor.	42,120.00
Jeremiah J. McCarthy Co. 119 Boston St., So. Bos.	42,347.50
Robert C. Browne 631 Dorchester Ave. Dor.	43,022.50
Warren Bros. 59 Temple Place.	44,500.00

It was VOTED, subject to the Mayor's approval to award the contract to the lowest bidder, James Doherty, 133 Calumet St., Roxbury for the approximate amount of \$41,260.00

Proposals were opened at this office at 12M for constructing Concrete walk on Marine Park as follows:-

William J. Rafferty 33 Champney St. So. Bos.	\$3,807.50
John McCourt Co. 46 Wait St., Rox. Boston	4,100.00
Contracting Co. Charlestown, Mass.	4,115.00
Concrete Construction Co. 28 School St.,	4,180.00
Jeremiah J. McCarthy Co. 119 Boston St. So. Bos.	4,460.50
C. W. Dolloff & Co. 20 Central St., Boston,	4,534.50



Warren Bros. Co. 59 Temple Place Bos.	4,662.50
Simpson Bros. Co. 166 Devonshire St., Boston	5,205.00
Jeremiah J. Sullivan 273 W. Fifth St., So. Bos.	7,052.00
McNeil Construction Co. 201 Devonshire St.	10,401.50
John Landers	Bid Withdrawn before 12 M.

It was VOTED subject to the Mayor's approval to award the contract to the lowest bidder, William J. Rafferty, 33 Champney St. South Boston for the approximate amount of \$3,807.50

  
Secretary

April 2, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 10.30 at 33 Beacon Street.

Present, Commissioners Dillon and Gibson.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports of Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

A communication from the School Committee relative to a plan for the carrying out of the playground activities for the year 1915, was read and placed on file.

A letter was read from Mr. Putnam relative to the inspection of wood paving block to be used on Commonwealth Ave. and it was VOTED to allow Mr. Putnam to use his own discretion in the hiring of Messrs Dow and Smith of New York for that purpose.

A communication from the Ways and Means Committee of the Massachusetts Legislature was read stating that a hearing would be given on Wednesday, April 7th, 1915 at 10.30 o'clock relative to a bill to transfer to the Metropolitan Park Commission the care and control of the West Roxbury Parkway in the City of Boston, and the same was placed on file

Proposals were opened at this office at 12 M for leasing beach chairs on the Strandway Beach, So. Boston as follows:-

	Per year	For three years
Karl Martin 71 Savin St. Roxbury	\$500.00	\$1500.00
Henry W. Wansker 243 Church St. Newton	253.75	761.25
International Comfort Chair Co 907 Pemberton Bdg City	200.00	600.00
Henry W. Wansker 243 Church St. Newton	100.00	300.00
James S. Cannon 217 Barrister's Hall City.	50.00	150.00

It was VOTED, subject to the approval of the Mayor to award the privilege to highest bidder, Mr. Karl Martin, 71 Savin St. Roxbury,-- for the sum of \$1,500. for a term of three years

*D. V. Byrne*  
Secretary

April 9, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 10.30 a. m.

Present, Commissioners Dillon and Gibson.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The reports from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file

A special Draft was approved for \$455.60 being for third and final estimate of work done and material furnished by the Chas. J. Jacobs Co on grading on Parker Hill Playground under their contract approved Feb. 3, 1915.

A special draft was approved for the sum of \$765.00 being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished by W. M. Flynn on Horse Shed on Franklin Field, under his contract approved March 11, 1915.

It was VOTED to grant permission to the Boston Athletic Association to have their Marathon Race on Patriots' Day go through Commonwealth Avenue from in the vicinity of the Hotel Somerset to the Club House of the Boston Athletic Association on Exeter Street, with the understanding that the Athletic Association will guarantee to

carry out the same conditions that were required last year in regard to the roping off of the Avenue between Massachusetts Avenue and a point halfway between Exeter Street and Dartmouth Street, and policing the same with seventy five additional officers, the expense of said roping and policing, together with any damage that may be done to the property of the City, to be paid for by the Boston Athletic Association.

A communication was received from Mr. Putnam calling attention to a letter he received from the Philip Carey Co. relative to Elastite expansion inserts for taking up expansion in wood block pavements with recommendation that we try them in five hundred lineal feet of the pavement to be placed on Commonwealth Ave. same was referred to next meeting.

Proposals were opened at this office at 12M for constructing a Refreshment Booth at Franklin Park as follows:-

Roxbury Construction Co., 1163 Tremont St.,	\$12,443.
J. Nickolson & Son 101 Tremont St.	11,756.
John F. Griffin Co., 17 Milk St.,	10,992.
John Bowan 1208 Harrison Ave.	10,800.
Marr Bros & Stewart Co., 319 Washington St.,	10,475.
McNeil Construction Co. 201 Devonshire St.,	9,975.
Archdeacon & Sullivan 5 East Concord St.,	9,595.

It was VOTED, subject to the Mayor's approval to award the contract to the lowest bidder, Archdeacon & Sullivan, 5 East Concord Street for the sum of \$9,595.

*D. J. Ryan*  
Secretary

APRIL 16, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 10.30 a. m.

Present:- Commissioners Dillon and Galvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The reports from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to the McNeil Construction Co., the sum of Three Hundred Six & 00/100 Dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Grandstand on Franklin Field, under its contract approved, March 11, 1915.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to the Ford Motor Co., the sum of Twentyseven Hundred eighty-seven and 60/100 dollars being for six (6) Model T Runabouts, fully equipped, as per bill dated February 23, 1915.

An application was made by the Boston Work Horse Relief Association for permission to use for its thirteenth annual parade, May 31, 1915, both sides of Commonwealth Ave. from 7.30 a. m. to 2 p. m. and to erect a reviewing stand on the grass reservation on Commonwealth Ave. near Berkeley St., and it VOTED to instruct Secretary to grant same.

An estimate was submitted by Mr. Putnam for draining the Smith Pond Playground, Hyde Park, and the same was placed on file.

A communication was received from the Art Commission relative to the Copenhagen Fountain, and same was referred to Mr. Putnam, also a communication relative to the moving of the statue of Sumner and its pedestal to the ware rooms of the John Evans Co. and same was placed on file.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Street Commissioners relative to traffic regulations on Commonwealth Ave. at Charlesgate West, and it was VOTED to ask Captain Good and Mr. Putnam to be present at the next meeting.

Communication from Dr. Dowling <sup>was received</sup> relative to the transfer of the Bath houses at Spring Street and it was VOTED to inform Dr. Dowling that the Board has no objection to the transfer as it understood that was included by the vote of the City Council.

A plan with estimate of the proposed Tenean Playground was submitted by Mr. Putnam and same was placed on file

Bids were opened at this office at 12 M for repairing fences at L Street Bath house as follows:-

W. H. Ellis & Son Co., 470 Meridan St., E. B.	\$3,463
W. S. Rendle 135 Prescott St., E. B.	2,738
Lawler Bros., 16 City Sq., Chas.	2,700
Rendle & Stoddard 333 Border St., E. B.	2,545
M. F. McDonald & Son 98 Granite St.	2,422

By vote of this Board, subject to the Mayor's approval the contract was awarded to the lowest bidder, M. F. McDonald & Son, 98 Granite St., for the sum of \$2,422.

*C. W. Ryan*  
Secretary

April 23, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St. at 11.50, A. M.

Present: Commissioners Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Chairman was then called by telephone to the Mayor's office and Commissioner Gibson acted as temporary chairman.

The reports of Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

It was VOTED, to ask the chairman, Mr. Dillon, to make arrangements with Mr. Lynch, Supt. of Public Buildings, to have the Ward 7 and the Ward 15 buildings put in proper condition as at present they are in need of cleaning and repairs.

It was VOTED to ask the chairman to arrange to have the plumbing conditions at the Women's sanitary, in the Marcella Street playground placed in proper condition, as at present it is very unsatisfactory.

*C. W. Ryan*  
Secretary.

April 30, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., 1 o'clock.

Present:- Commissioners Dillon and Gibson.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

An estimate was submitted by Mr. Putnam on the expense necessary on the Copenhagen Fountain at Richardson Square, and the Secretary was instructed to notify the Art Commission that as there was an accrued interest of the maintenance fund from which payment might be made for the work to be done, this Board believed it would be better if all work would be done by the Art Commission and the same charged to the balance remaining in that fund.

VOTED that there be allowed and paid to Newhall & Blevins, the sum of five hundred forty five and 55/100 dollars, being for architects commission on contract for East Boston Gymnasium and public baths, as per bill dated January 1, 1915.

VOTED that there be allowed and paid to Henry Gray the sum of eight hundred seventy five and 00/100 dollars being for women's bathing suits as per bill dated April 27, 1915, under his contract approved, March 15, 1915.

VOTED that there be allowed and paid to Acme Towel Co., the sum of thirteen hundred fifty one and 23/100 dollars being for towels as per bill dated April 30, 1915, under its contract approved March 2, 1915.

VOTED that there be allowed and paid to Wm. J. Lally & Co., the sum of six hundred sixty six and 67/100 Dollars being for men's bathing suits as per bill dated April 30, 1915 under contract approved March 15, 1915.

VOTED that there be allowed and paid to Mark H. Lynch the sum of one hundred forty six and 31/100 dollars being for final payment on contract for tree pits in Broadway and Marine Park, South Boston under his contract approved Feb. 19, 1915.

Communication was received from A. W. Dowd applying for crossing at the Thorndike Street Stop on Commonwealth Ave., and same was referred

to Mr. Putnam for report.

A communication was received from Miss Woodworth relative to playground for children of her school, and it was VOTED to offer her the use of the playground where Mrs. Cabot's children formerly occupied (in the Fenway).

Communication was received from the Board of Health relative to placing a bulkhead at the North End Park, same was referred to Chairman to confer with the Mayor.

It was VOTED to approve the lease made by the Chairman with the Childrens' Museum whereby they leased Pinebank Building for a term of ten years with a rental of \$50.00 annually, on the conditions that they will maintain said building in good condition, both inside and out, will furnish heat and light for the entire building, and will at the expiration of the term surrender the said building to the Board in as good condition and repair as it was at the beginning of the term.

  
Secretary.

May 7, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 10.30 o'clock, A. M.

Present:- Commissioners Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports of Mr. McGrath and Mr. Shea were read and placed on file.

A hearing was given to Mrs. Frost who desired to make recommendations to improve the Playgrounds. Her recommendations relative to improving the water conditions at low tide at North End Park, opening the childrens' toilets at the same place, assigning Miss Maher to the North End Playground, stopping men from loafing near the fence on the women's side of the beach, changing the plumbing at the Marcella St. Playground, improving conditions on the Boston Common Playground and also the Orchard Park Pool were referred to the Chairman for action.

A communication from Mr. Putnam giving estimate of the cost for pipe location to the proposed refreshment booth in Franklin Park was read and laid on the table.

A communication from Mr. Putnam giving an estimate of the cost

for repairs at Marine Park pier was read and laid on the table.

An application was made by Dr. James J. Minot, Chairman of the Castle Island School Committee for the use of part of the fort at Castle Island for the purpose of having an out-door school for anaemic children, and it was VOTED to grant same.

A communication from the Mayors Office, Circular Number 22 was read, relative to the organization of Boards, and it was VOTED to elect Daniel J. Byrne, Secretary of this Board.

A communication was read from the School Committee making recommendations relative to the Playgrounds and it was VOTED to instruct the Secretary to notify the School Committee that we would mark off the running track on the Strandway at South Boston as recommended, but we would be unable at the present time to give consideration to the other recommendations.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to Charles Abbott the sum of Eleven Hundred Fourteen and 17/100 dollars, being for bathing suits as per bill dated April 30, 1915, under contract approved March 2, 1915.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to Acme Towel Co., the sum of Twenty-two Hundred Seventy-Three and 84/100 Dollars, being for bath towels as per bill dated May 6, 1915 under contract approved March 2, 1915.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to William J. Rafferty & Co. the sum of Twenty-Two Hundred Twenty Four and 66/100 Dollars being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on concrete wall, Marine Park, South Boston, under their contract approved April 8, 1915.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to the Wright Wire Co. the sum of Eleven Hundred Sixty Six and 20/100 Dollars being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on guard fence at elephant yard, Franklin Park, under its contract approved Oct. 15, 1914.

It was VOTED to grant permission to Mr. John J. Paget to place swan boats in the Fenway during the season of 1915.

It was VOTED to grant permission to Mr. Thomas Higgins, 181 Prescott



St. to keep boat house at Wood Island Park for the season of 1915, under the same conditions as have existed the past six years.

Mr. Solomon J. Rubin telephoned that on account of not knowing that the Refectory Building was not included in the award to him of the Refreshment Booth privilege he must respectfully withdraw his bid.

IT WAS VOTED, to revoke award of the Refreshment Booth privilege at Franklin Park made to Mr. Solomon J. Rubin at meeting of this Board held on March 12, 1915.

IT WAS VOTED, to reject all bids made in competition on Feb. 26, 1915, for leasing the Refreshment Booth privilege at Franklin Park for a term of five years and that the same be and hereby are rejected.

IT WAS VOTED, to revoke the award of the contract to build the refreshment booth at Franklin Park given to Archdeacon & Sullivan at meeting of this Board held on April 9, 1915, for the reason that the Mayor cancelled his approval to said award and would not sign a contract for building said booth.

IT WAS VOTED, to reject all bids made in competition on April 9, 1915, for building a refreshment Booth at Franklin Park, and that the same be and hereby are rejected.

It was Voted, to advertise for bids to erect a building in Franklin Park, said building to be used as a refreshment booth, and for the lease for five years of said building and for the right to furnish refreshments throughout said park, except in the Refectory Building. The cost of the building including the preparation of plans and the supervision of the erection is to be paid by the successful bidder, and the building when erected, and all the fixtures therein are to become the property of the city. The building is to be erected according to plans and specifications on file at the office of the Commission, and said plans and specifications will there be exhibited and blanks for proposals may there be obtained.

A communication from James E. Cole, Commissioner of Wires was received asking consent to the transfer of Joseph R. Dolan at present employed as life guard and helper in this department, to the position of stenciller in the Wire Department, same to take effect Friday, May 14th, 1915 providing the necessary approval is received from the

Civil Service Commission, and it was VOTED to approve same.

A communication from Col. Roger Scannell relative to paying the sum of three hundred dollars for the use of Rugby Park as a playground for the season of 1915, and it was Voted to lay same on the table.

It was Voted, not to allow basket ball playing in the Ward 8 Building.

A communication from Mr. Putnam was read giving an estimate of the cost of having a crossing made over the grass plot on Commonwealth Ave. opposite Thorndike St. stating that a crossing suitable for the use of the fire apparatus would cost about one hundred fifty dollars while a simple foot crossing could be made for about twenty-five dollars and it was Voted to refer the request of Mr. Dowd to the Chairman to have a crossing put there if possible at present.

It was VOTED, subject to the Mayor's approval to increase the salaries of the following employees in this Department; same to take effect May 7th, 1915.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
D. J. Byrne	Secretary & Chief Clerk	\$2,000.00	\$2,500.00
Katherine M. Fitzgerald	Stenographer & Clerk	3.50 day	1,200 00
Gertrude K. Reagan	Stenographer	800 00	900 00
Mary E. Harrigan	"	800 00	900 00
Agnes C. Cronin	"	800 00	900 00
Gertrude V. Concannon	"	600 00	700 00
Margaret T. Carley	"	600 00	700 00
James W. Hurley	Collector	936 00	1,000 00
Henry H. Adolph	Chauffeur	936 00	1,092 00
Fred Bonang	"	936 00	1,092 00
Louis L. Chenette	"	936 00	1,092 00
Dennis Daly	"	936 00	1,092 00
Wm. J. Donely	"	936 00	1,092 00
Frank P. Guthrie	"	936 00	1,092 00
Patrick J. Kielty	"	936 00	1,092 00
Williard J. Labohn	"	936 00	1,092 00
T. J. Murphy 2d	"	936 00	1,092 00
J. J. Walsh	"	936 00	1,092 00
Peter Minton	Gardener	3.00 day	3.50 day
Paul Spiessert	Bearkeeper	3.00 day	3.50 day
Fred Gardella	Boy	1.50 day	2.50 day
John J. Murphy	Transitman	1,000 00	1,100 00
John H. McFall	Zoo Attendant	2.50 day	2.75 day
Matthew McGivney	" "	2.50 day	2.75 day
Frank Meir	" "	2.50 day	2.75 day
Herbert R. Wheeler	" "	2.50 day	2.75 day
James J. McSorley	" "	2.50 day	2.75 day
John J. Connelly	Caretaker	2.50 day	2.75 day
D. H. Slattery	Custodian	3.00 day	3.50 day
Thomas Holmes	"	3.00 day	3.50 day
James B. Gibbons	"	2.75 day	3.00 day
Timothy Harrington	"	2.75 day	3.00 day
Colin McDonald	"	2.50 day	3.00 day
Joseph A. McIntire	"	2.50 day	3.00 day

D. H. Nugent	Chief Carpebter	3.50 day	1,200 00
Wm. T. Foley	Asst. Custodian	2.50 day	2.75 day
James Fitzgerald	Fireman	2.84 day	3.00 day
M. J. Manning	"	2.84 day	3.00 day
Thomas H. Joyce	"	2.84 day	3.00 day
Alex. McFaul	"	2.84 day	3.00 day
D. H. McGunnigle	"	2.84 day	3.00 day
Kiernan McManus	"	2.84 day	3.00 day
Thomas Ryan	"	2.84 day	3.00 day
Patrick J. Sheerin	"	2.84 day	3.00 day
Neil Boyle	Gardener's Helper	2.50 day	2.75 day
Patrick J. O'Hearn	" "	2.50 day	2.75 day
C. W. Murphy	" "	2.50 day	2.75 day
Jas. J. Coughlin	" "	2.50 day	2.75 day
A. G. Rasmussen	Inspector	3.00 day	3.50 day
Wm. C. Mullen	Instructor	1,000 00	1,100 00
John J. Brooks	Painter	3.00 day	3.25 day
John H. Condon	"	3.00 day	3.25 day
H. G. Farrington	"	3.00 day	3.25 day
Thomas Kelley	"	3.00 day	3.25 day
M. J. O'Connor	"	3.00 day	3.25 day
Thomas J. Watts	"	3.00 day	3.25 day
Wm. H. Monahan	"	2.75 day	3.25 day
Geo. P. Quinn	"	2.75 day	3.25 day
Benjamin R. Austin	Rigger	2.50 day	2.75 day
James Sweeney	Shepherd	2.50 day	2.75 day
Patrick J. Shields	Playground Keeper	2.50 day	2.75 day
John J. McNulty	S. R. Engineer	3.00 day	3.50 day
Richard Tyler	Foreman of Garden	3.00 day	3.50 day
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John P. Kelly	Subforeman	3.25 day	1,100 00
Eugene I. Corbett	"	3.00 day	1,100 00
Michael McNulty	"	1,000 00	1,100 00
George T. Cuddihy	Swimming Inst'r	2.50 day	2.75 day
Harry A. Grainger	" "	2.50 day	2.75 day
Wm. C. Rowe	" "	2.50 day	2.75 day
Thomas Robinette	" "	2.50 day	2.75 day
Dennis J. Swanson	" "	2.50 day	2.75 day
E. J. Burke	Wagon Maker & Wheelwright	3.50 day	1,200 00
James J. Follen	Clerk	3.50 day	1,100 00
Philip Monahan	Inspector	2.75 day	3.00 day
John McManus	"	2.75 day	3.00 day
James A. Walsh	Auto Rep. & Oper.	3.25 day	3.50 day
Charles Hayes	Sodder & Grader	2.50 day	3.00 day
John Duncan	Engineer	2.84 day	3.00 day
E. J. Barrett	Blacksmith	2.95 day	3.25 day
John J. White	Engineer	2.84 day	3.00 day
Peter McDonough	"	2.84 day	3.00 day
John P. O'Connell	Foreman	1,200 00	1,400 00
Charles E. Houghton	Transitman	1,000 00	1,100 00
James H. Dillon	"	1,000 00	1,100 00
Charles J. O'Donnell	"	1,000 00	1,100 00
Peter Barker	Foreman	1,200 00	1,400 00
Bernard J. Conely	"	1,200 00	1,400 00
William Dowling	"	1,200 00	1,400 00
James D. Edgeworth	"	1,300 00	1,400 00
Charles A. Hogan	"	1,200 00	1,400 00
John Monahan	Subforeman	1,000 00	1,100 00
Thomas J. Murphy	Gardener	1,000 00	3.50 day
Luke J. Doogue	Clerk	1,000 00	1,100 00
Joseph J. McNamara	Instructor	1,000 00	1,100 00
James F. Winston	"	1,000 00	1,100 00
Leo C. Knebel	"	1,000 00	1,100 00
John J. Driscoll	"	1,000 00	1,100 00
Maurice R. Smith	"	1,000 00	1,100 00
John A. Lane	"	1,000 00	1,100 00
George E. Frazer	"	1,000 00	1,100 00
Michael V. Dailey	Painter	1,200 00	1,300 00
William T. Bibbey	Subforeman	1,000 00	1,100 00

John F. McKernan  
 Julius Weidner  
 Bernard J. Graham

Foreman  
 Subforeman  
 Boy

1,000 00	1,400 00
1,000 00	1,100 00
1.50 day	2.50 day

*D. J. Byrne*  
 Secretary

May 14, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 10.30 a. m.

Present:- Commissioners Dillon and Gibson

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports of Mr. McGrath and Mr. Shea were read and placed on file.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to James Doherty the sum of Twenty Two Thousand Sixty Eight and 80/100 Dollars being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on bithulithic pavement on Columbia Road under his contract approved April 8, 1915.

A hearing was granted to Mrs. Brown who recommended to the Board further consideration of the irrigation of Commonwealth Avenue and Boston Common. She recommended to shut off the entrance to the Common at the corner of Park and Beacon Streets and when closed to take the five posts and place them opposite Commissioner Galvin's Store. She stated that Mr. Galvin told her he was favorable to this change. She also recommended an iron fence to be placed along Tremont Street with openings at Winter, Temple Place, West Street and Mason Street.

The communication from Colonel Roger Scannell relative to the use of Rugby Park referred at the last meeting to this meeting was placed on file.

Bids were opened at this office at 12 M for the erection of a building in Franklin Park to be used as a refreshment booth and for the leasing for five years of said building and for the right to furnish refreshments throughout said park, except in the Refectory Building as follows:-

Solomon J. Rubin


\$2275.00 per year for  
 five years

(Only one bid submitted.)

Mr. Edward F. Coleman, 154 Whitfield St., Dorchester filed a bid with the City Auditor for \$530. per year, but was four minutes

too late to file his bid at this office as the bids were closed.

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Secretary

May 21, 1915

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 53 Beacon St., at 10.30 a. m.

Present:- Commissioners Dillon and Gibson.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports of Mr. McGrath and Mr. Shea were read and placed on file.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to M. F. MacDonald & Son, the sum of Two thousand Fifty Eight and 70/100 Dollars, being for first and quantities final estimate of work done and material furnished on repairs on fences at L Street Bath House, under their contract approved April 26, 1915.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to McNeil Construction Co the sum of Two Thousand Thirty Eight & 30/100 Dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Grandstand on Franklin Field, under its contract approved March 11, 1915.

An application was received from the Dahlgren Post for the privilege to enter Marine Park, City Point, with a band of music to perform ceremonial rights in memory of the unknow Sailor dead on May the 30th, Memorial Day and same was granted.

A communication from Mr. McNealy relative to the ratings of the men at the Aquarium and the Zoo was received, and it was voted to change the ratings of the following men from Laborer, etc., to that of Attendant, Patrick F. Burke, John Coakley, Thomas Curtin, Patrick Crosby, John Driscoll, John McLaughlin, BernardGraham, James McSorley Michael Quinn, John Reardon, Cornelius Shields.

A communication was received from the United States Engineer's office enclosing copy of permit granting permission to the Directors of the Port of Boston for the dredging of the channel at Wollaston Beach, which includes permission for them to deposit the material in Fleasure Bay, with the understanding that the material will be re-

handled by the Park Department for its purposes at Castle Island within three years from date of said permit.

An application was received from the Boston Elevated Railway Company asking that they be granted permission to extend the landing places at pole stops on Commonwealth Ave. between Beacon and Lake Sts. as shown on plan dated March 1915, on file at this office and it was VOTED to approve same.

An application was received from the Fathers and Mothers Club for the use of the Blossom Street Building, Ward 8, on June the 9th for the purpose of holding a rummage sale, and it was VOTED to grant same.

An application was made for a location for a permanent stand for the summer for a wagon to be located on the south side of Charles Street near the Public Garden for the sale of root beer and pop corn by Mr. E. W. Spinney, 37 Worcester Square, and it was VOTED not to approve same.

It was VOTED to approve request of Michael J. Murray, Laborer in this Department at \$2.50 per day to be transferred to the Public Works Department, same to take effect upon the approval of the Civil Service.

A communication from Mr. John T. Benson relative to supplying southern fish for the Aquarium was read, and it not being complete was laid on the table.

It was VOTED to reject all bids made in competition on May 14th, 1915 for building a refreshment booth at Franklin Park and that the same be and hereby are rejected.

It was VOTED to again advertise for bids using the same advertisement copy of May the 8th.

It was VOTED to instruct the Secretary to send a vote of thanks to Mr. Charles Gardner for his good work done at Gloucester on the day of the late Mr. McNally's death.

Bids were opened at this office at 12 M for towing ten floating bath<sup>h</sup>ouses and twelve rafts to and from their summer locations as follows:

Doane Tow Boat Co. Pier 2 Lewis Wharf	\$300.00
Ross Tow Boat Co. 28 Lewis Wharf.	385.00

By vote of this Board, subject to the approval of the Mayor the contract was awarded to the lowest Bidder, the Doane Tow Boat Co. for the sum of \$300.

Bids were opened at this office at 12M for leasing for a term of three years the refreshment privilege at Castle Island including the care of sanitariums as follows:-

	Each Year
Thomas F. Glynn 68 Rossmore Rd., J. P	\$1,600
Elizabeth Curtis 5 Pickering Ave., Rox.	1,510
A. Frank Gregory 5 Pickering Ave., Rox	1,005
Mr. Gregory will also take care of Island. The City must open and close gates of bridge.	
Thomas J. Duffley 16 Albion St., Rox	1,005
John B. Aicardi & Teresa M. Aicardi 145-149 Farragut Rd. S. B	800
Thomas J. Burke 690 E. 8th St., S. B	625
Wm. F. Dwyer 130 Calumet St., Rox.	615

It was voted subject to the Mayors approval to award the privilege to the highest bidder to Thomas F. Glynn, 68 Rossmore Rd., Jamaica Plain, for the sum of \$1,600. each year.

*S. J. Dwyer*  
Secretary

May 28, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 10.30 a. m.

Present:- Commissioners Dillon and Gibson

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports of Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to Clark & Gore the sum of eight thousand two hundred eighty six and 84/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Wood Block Pavement on Commonwealth Avenue, under their contract approved April 8, 1915.

An application was made for the use of the Ward 8 Blossom Street Building, for religious purposes by Mr. H. E. Liner and same was

laid on the table.

An application was made by Edward E. Adams for the privilege of placing weighing machines at or near the Zoo and Bird House at Franklin Park, and it was VOTED to lay same on the table.

It was VOTED to advertise for bids for the casting, furnishing and installing of a battery of four Revolutionary Cannon with all equipment, etc. Same to be delivered and set in place in Highland Park, Roxbury, Mass.

It was VOTED to grant permission to the Edison Electric Light to install a conduit on Commonwealth Ave. near Colonial Road as per plans submitted to and approved by Mr. C. E. Putnam.

It was VOTED to recommend the retirement of Mr. John Welsh, a laborer employed in this Department since March 1883 and now unable to perform his duties.

It was VOTED to grant permission to Mrs. Elizabeth Curtis to place tables on the terrace and band stand near Jamaica Pond at such times when band concerts are not scheduled to take place. The tables to be neatly painted green and the arrangement to be under the personal supervision of Commissioner Gibson. It is understood that the Commission reserves the right to revoke this permit at any time.

*D. J. Ryan*  
Secretary

June 4, 1915

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 10.30 a. m.

Present:- Commissioners Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

An application was read from the Syrian American Club asking for the appointment of a playground instructor and also asking that the three school yards on Hudson and Tyler Street be opened and the Secretary was instructed to notify him that the men employed in the Ward Seven Gymnasium Building would also care for the playground, as it was a very small place, and to refer him to the School Committee on the opening of the school yards.



An application was read from the N. E. Intercollegiate Athletic Association to hold a cross country run on Nov. 20th and also another to be held at the same place on Nov. 27th, and it was VOTED to grant permission to hold both on said dates at Franklin Park..

An application was read from Edward E. Adams for permission to place weighing machines at Charlesbank Gym, Franklin Park, North End Park, etc., and it was VOTED to lay same on the table.

An application was made for retirement of Mr. John A. McLaughlin, Laborer in this Department since 1891 for the reason that he is unable to perform his duties, and it was VOTED before considering same to ask for a report from the examining physician.

A communication from the Metropolitan Park Commission asking what disposition, if any, this Department wishes to make of the trees in the nursery at the West Roxbury Parkway, was read and it was VOTED to notify them that we would remove the same in the fall.

Bids were opened at this Office at 12M for the erection of a building in Franklin Park and same to be leased as a refreshment booth for the term of five years as follows:-

Samuel N. Schlesinger, 140 Granite Ave., Dorchester, Each Year \$651.60

No check was submitted in sealed envelope, but was given at 12.03 p m

It was VOTED to reject this bid and that the same be and hereby is rejected.

It was VOTED to restore the salaries of Mr. James B. Shea and Mr. Charles E. Putnam..

*D. J. Ryan*  
Secretary

June 11, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 10.30 A. M.

Present:- Commissioners Dillon, Gibson and Galvin,

The records of the last meeting were read and approved, with the exception of vote relative to Mr. Shea and Mr. Putnam, same being laid on the table until the next meeting.

The weekly reports from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on filed.

It was VOTED that there be allo<sup>v</sup>ed and paid to James Doherty the sum of Seventeen Thousand three hundred fifty nine and 27/100 dollars being for second and quantities final estimate of work done and material furnished on Bitulithic Pavement on Columbia Road, under his

contract approved April 8, 1915.

It was VOTED that, whereas, the Board of Street Commissioners has taken, at the request of this Board, and with the approval of the Mayor, a parcel of land on Union Street, Charlestown, containing 1990 square feet, for playground purposes, there be awarded and paid to Bridget A. Paine the sum of Three Thousand Four Hundred Fifteen and 00/100 (\$3,415.00) Dollars upon her proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said taking, satisfactory to the Law Department.

A communication from the City Council was read asking for an estimate of the cost to improve Pierce Field, Roslindale, and it was VOTED to instruct the Secretary to write to Councillor Coulthurst and ask just what improvements he thought were necessary there, as we have just finished that place and consider it in a proper condition.

An application was read from Patrick Donoghue, 15 Dalton St., City asking permission to locate a carriage stand at the north east corner of Clarendon St., and Commonwealth Ave., and it was VOTED to grant same.

A report was read from the Finance Commission relative to Castle Island Concession to Mr. Thomas J. Duffley and same was placed on file.

It was VOTED to have telephones placed at Savin Hill and Tenean Beaches.

A communication from Charles A. Whittemore relative to the height of building, Kenmore Apartments, Commonwealth Ave. was read and on recommendation of Mr. Putnam who was present it was VOTED to approve the plan submitted showing a building 87 feet high with two stories in the roof. The dormer windows are to have masonry fronts.

A notice from the Public Service Commission was read giving notice of a hearing on Wednesday June 16, 1915 relative to a location of tracks on Commonwealth Ave. granted Dec. 16, 1914.

It was VOTED to grant permission to the Boston Edison Electric Illuminating Company to install a conduit in the Fenway near Louis Pasteur Ave. as per plans submitted and approved by Mr. Putnam.

It was VOTED to grant permission to Mrs. Shea to locate a table in the womens section of the L Street Bath House for the purpose of

selling refreshments during the Summer months, for the sum of Fifty <sup>187</sup>  
Dollars to be paid in equal sums on July 15, Aug. 15, and Sept. 15,


It was VOTED to make Commonwealth Ave. a one way Street from Charlesgate West to the junction of Beacon Street. Vehicles going in a westly direction to turn to the right to Charlesgate West then to the left going to the north side of Commonwealth Ave. to the junction of Beacon Street. Vehicles coming from an easterly direction to take the south side of Commonwealth Ave. from Beacon St. to Charlesgate East.

an application was made by Mrs. Elizabeth P. Johnson for permission to extend a garage over the building line along the Riverway opposite 79 Pilgrim Road and it was VOTED to instruct the Secretary to notify her that this Board cannot grant permission to her as we would be obliged to get the consent of all the abutters and the City Council.

It was VOTED to instruct the Secretary to write a letter to the Law Department for an opinion relative to giving the award for Beach Chair Concession to the second highest bidder .

It was VOTED that hereafter all rentals for concessions that are two weeks in arrears will be referred to the Law Department for such action as is necessary.

It was VOTED to instruct Mr. Putnam to make up an advertisement for construction of balustrade to be built at Strandway, South Boston.

  
Secretary

June 18, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 10.30 a. m.

Present:- Commissioners Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

It was voted that there be allowed and paid to the Wm. J. Rafferty Co., the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Sixteen and 52/100 Dollars being for second and quantities final estimate of work done and material furnished on Concrete Walk on Marine Park, under its contract approved April 8, 1915.

On motion of Mr. Galvin it was VOTED that the weekly reports of Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath be accepted and placed on file.

Opening of bids for a Battery of four cannon and equipment to be placed at Highland Park took place at this office on Friday, June 11, 1915, at 12M. as follows:-

The Van Amringe Granite Co., 167 Tremont St., City	\$2,000.00
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On motion of Mr. Dillon it was VOTED to ask the Law Department for an opinion relative to the legality of one bid being accepted by this Commission.

On motion of Mr. Dillon it was VOTED to grant permission to Timothy McAulliffe, 138 Worcester St., to have a carriage stand at the south west corner of Commonwealth Ave., and Clarendon Street until further notice.

On motion of Mr. Galvin it was VOTED to take from the table the matter of Mr. Shea's and Mr. Putnam's salaries.

On motion of Mr. Dillon it was VOTED to refer consideration of proposed increases of Mr. Shea and Mr. Putnam to the Chairman in order to consult with the Mayor and the Law Department for an opinion relative to them.

On motion of Mr. Gibson it was VOTED to instruct the Secretary to write the names of the makers of motions on the records of the meetings of the Park and Recreation Commissioners.

On motion of Mr. Dillon it was VOTED to instruct the Secretary to again send for Mr. Karl Martin and ask him if he was willing to sign an agreement to pay in advance the sum of \$150. on July 1st, \$150.00 on August 1st, \$100.00 on Sept. 1st, and \$100. on Oct. 1st, 1915 and to state this Commission was willing to approve having his lease signed under these conditions.

On motion of Mr. Gibson it was VOTED to charge \$350. per year additional on lease of Mr. W. F. Dwyer of the refectory building as his share of the expenses for heating and lighting of said building. It being agreed that the balance of expenses for heating and lighting be paid by this Department as our share for heating the animal quarters and heating and lighting basement of said building.

*D. J. Byrne*  
Secretary

June 25, 1915

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 10.30 a. m.

Present:- Commissioners Dillon and Gibson.

The records of the last meeting were read and on motion of Mr. Gibson were approved.

Reports were read from Mr. Shea, Mr. McGrath and Mr. Putnam and on motion of Mr. Gibson they were accepted and placed on file.

An application was received from the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company for permission to locate three poles on Tenean Beach property, and on motion of Mr. Gibson it was VOTED to grant permission to locate three poles there provided the Law Department stated this Commission had that authority at the present time.

Circular #29 from the Mayor's Office relative to employees going before the Finance Commission with counsel was read and on motion of Mr. Gibson was placed on file.

An application was received from Charles W. Meier for permission to operate a seven passenger automobile between City Point Head House and Franklin Park, and on motion of Mr. Gibson it was VOTED not to grant said permission as it was not a public necessity at the present time.

A communication was received from Mr. E. B. Mero relative to educational entertainments to be given on playgrounds and on motion of Mr. Gibson it was referred to the Chairman to make a report on same at a full meeting of the Board later.

A communication was received from the School Committee relative to additional playgrounds to be used by them this Summer and on motion of Mr. Gibson it was referred to the Chairman for such action as he deems necessary.

On motion of Mr. Gibson it was VOTED to place on the retired list Mr. Patrick Fitzgerald, Laborer in this Department since 1891 for the reason that he is incapacitated and cannot perform his duties.

Communications were received from Mr. Galvin and read and on motion of Mr. Gibson were referred to the Chairman for such action as he deems necessary.

On motion of Commissioner Gibson the Secretary was instructed to consult with Mr. Beck relative to arranging for a proper rental

to be charged to Mrs. Phoebe Basil who occupies a house at Savin Hill Playground recently acquired by this Department.

On motion of Mr. Gibson it was VOTED to instruct the Secretary to notify Mr. McGrath that when he makes his report each week he include in it the number of men and women employed under his charge.

On motion of Mr. Gibson it was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to the McNeil Construction Co the sum of Four Hundred Seventy Six & 00/100 dollars, being for third approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Grandstand on Franklin Field under its contract approved March 11, 1915.

On motion of Mr. Gibson it was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to Clark & Gore the sum of Seven Thousand Six Hundred Seventy-Two & 73/100 dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Wood Block Pavement on Commonwealth Avenue under their contract approved April 8, 1915.

A list of places where band concerts are to be held for the coming summer and a list of the bands and contract prices was considered at this meeting and on motion of Mr. Gibson it was VOTED to approve the following list of band concerts to be given by this Board:-

<u>1915</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Name of Band</u>	<u>Men</u>	<u>Price</u>
June 27	Marine Park	Moore's	21	\$115.50
June 27	Boston Common	Stone's	25	137.50
July 2	Orient Heights	Moore's	21	92.40
July 4	Boston Common	Letter Carriers	25	137.50
July 4	Marine Park	Commonwealth	21	115.50
July 7	Roslindale Playgrd	Moore's	21	92.40
July 8	North Square	Stone's	21	92.40
July 9	Washington Pk	Moore's	21	92.40
July 11	Franklin Park	Commonwealth	21	115.50
July 11	Marine Park	Letter Carriers	21	115.50
July 11	Wood Island	Post 68	21	115.50
July 11	Boston Common	Moore's	25	137.50
July 13	Neponset Playground	Stone's	21	92.40
July 15	Albany & Dearborn	Moore's	21	92.40
July 16	Hayes Sq	Moore's	21	92.40
July 18	Wood Island	Stone's	21	115.50
July 18	Jamaica Pond	Moore's	21	115.50
July 18	Franklin Park	Post 68	21	115.50
July 18	Boston Common	Commonwealth	25	137.50
July 18	Marine Park	Hooley's	21	115.50
July 19	Brighton	Stone's	21	92.40
July 21	Marcella St Plgrd	Moore's	21	92.40
July 22	Charlesbank	Stone's	21	92.40
July 25	Marine Park	Moore's	21	115.50
July 25	Boston Common	Stone's	25	137.50
July 25	Franklin Park	Commonwealth	21	115.50
July 26	Thomas Park	Moore's	21	92.40
July 28	Sharon St&Harrison	Stone's	21	92.40
July 29	Belmont Sq	Stone's	21	92.40
Aug. 1	Franklin Park	Post 68	21	115.50
Aug. 1	Marine Park	Stone's	21	115.50
Aug. 1	Wood Island	Hooley's	21	115.50
Aug. 1	Boston Common	Letter Carrier's	25	137.50
Aug. 1	Jamaica Pond	Moore's	21	115.50

## Band concerts continued

<u>1915</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Name of Band</u>	<u>Men</u>	<u>Price</u>
Aug. 2	Columbus Ave.	Stone's	21	92.40
Aug. 4	Eaton Sq	Moore's	21	92.40
Aug. 5	Edward Everett	Stone's	21	92.40
Aug. 8	Jamaica Pond	Moore's	21	115.50
Aug. 8	Boston Common	Stone's	25	137.50
Aug. 8	Marine Park	Post 68	21	115.50
Aug. 8	Franklin Park	Hooley's	21	115.50
Aug. 10	Sullivan Sq	Stone's	21	92.40
Aug. 11	Union Pk	Stone's	21	92.40
Aug. 12	Ashmont Plagrđ	Moore's	21	92.40
Aug. 15	Marine Pk	Hooley's	21	115.50
Aug. 15	Franklin Park	Stone's	21	115.50
Aug. 15	Boston Common W	Commonwealth	25	137.50
Aug. 15	Wood Island	Letter Carriers'	21	115.50
Aug. 15	Jamaica Pond	Moore's	21	115.50
Aug. 16	Everett Sq. H P	Stone's	21	92.40
Aug. 18	North Sq	Stone's	21	92.40
Aug. 20	Charlesbank	Moore's	21	92.40
Aug. 22	Boston Common	Moore's	25	137.50
Aug. 22	Marine Pk	Stone's	21	115.50
Aug. 22	Franklin Pk	Letter Carriers'	21	115.50
Aug. 22	Jamaica Pond	Post 68	21	115.50
Aug. 23	Gibson Playground	Stone's	21	92.40
Aug. 24	Washington Pk	Moore's	21	92.40
Aug. 26	Mt. Hope Playgrđ	Stone's	21	92.40
Aug. 27	Blue Hill Ave. & Morton St	Moore's	21	92.40
Aug. 29	Franklin Pk	Hooley's	21	115.50
Aug. 29	Boston Common	Stone's	25	137.50
Aug. 29	Marine Pk	Moore's	21	115.50

Mr. Thomas F. O'Brien, Lessee of the L St. Booth made a protest to the members of the Board on their action in permitting Mrs. Shea to have a small table refreshment privilege in the women's section of the L St. Bath House. On motion this matter was laid over to be considered at another meeting.

*J. J. O'Brien*  
Secretary

July 2, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon Street at 11.30 a. m.

Present, Commissioners Dillon and Gibson.

The records of the last meeting were read and on motion of Commissioner Gibson they were approved.

Reports from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and on motion of Commissioner Gibson were placed on file.

On motion of Commissioner Gibson it was VOTED to instruct the Secretary not to enter the names of makers of motions on the records excepting when requested to do so by one of the Commissioners.

A communication from Mr. Thomas Uniacke was read asking that Union Park be open and seats supplied. On motion it was VOTED to refer this

matter to a later meeting.

VOTED that permission be granted to John J. Scannell, 16 Pontiac St. Roxbury to have a carriage stand at the North West corner of Commonwealth and Massachusetts Aves.

On motion it was VOTED to grant permission to James Rogan, 47 Sherman St. Roxbury, to have a carriage stand at north west corner of Commonwealth Ave. and Exeter St.

A communication was read from Mr. E. B. Mero relative to educational entertainments on the playgrounds of this Department, and on motion it was VOTED to refer the matter to the Chairman for such action as is necessary.

A communication from Mr. John M. Casey relative to locations and dates to be given the Committee on Park Shows was read and on motion it was VOTED to refer the matter to the Chairman for such action as is necessary.

A communication was read from the Norfolk Improvement Association relative to the use of the recently erected horse shed at Franklin Field and on motion it was VOTED to give a public hearing on Friday, July 16th at 2.30 p. m. in order that this BOARD may hear all those that desire to enter their protests against the use of the building as a horse shed.

A communication was read from Mr. J. H. Ringot, Hotel Hemmenway relative to unleashed dogs in the Fenway and on motion it was VOTED to instruct the Secretary to refer him to the Police Captain at Station 16.

A communication was read from Miss Geraldine Gordon relative to the Ward 7 Playground and on motion it was VOTED to instruct the Secretary to notify Mr. McGrath to arrange to put swings and sand boxes on the Ward 7 Playground and to notify Miss Gordon of their action in the matter.

A communication was read relative to the distribution of flowers on July the 5th stating that instead of distributing them on Boston Common instead they would be distributed at the Lincoln School on Ferdinand Street, and on motion same was placed on file.

A special draft was read for D. M. Biggs, \$870.00 and on motion same was referred to Mr. Doherty of the Supply Dept. for correction for the reason that the charge was made of \$1.50 per yd when he should



have charged \$1.15 per yd, his contract price for that district supplied. 193

On motion it was VOTED to grant permission to the New England Telephone & Telegraph Company to place an underground pipe on Jamaica-way near Moraine Street as per sketch submitted.

The Secretary informed the Board that Mr. Karl Martin had failed to conform to his agreement with this Board that on July the 1st he would make his first payment on lease awarded to him on April 2nd and on motion it was VOTED to cancel the award of said lease to him for the reason that for three months he failed to come to this office and sign his lease and when same was sent to him he failed to return it and finally after making verbal agreement with the Secretary, the Corporation Counsel and the Finance Commission that he would pay \$150. on July 1st he failed to make said payment and on motion of Commissioner Gibson it was VOTED that the award to Mr. Karl Martin, 71 Savin St. Roxbury, of the Beach Chair Privilege at Strandway Beach South Boston for the sum of \$500 per year for three years be and hereby is by vote of this Board cancelled.

By vote of this Board it was VOTED to grant permission to the West End Street Railway Company to construct, maintain and use additions to its existing locations as follows:-  
On Commonwealth Avenue, at proposed street opposite Pleasant Street and at proposed extension of Babcock Street, four (4) additional curved tracks connecting with tracks to be built on proposed streets:  
Also, an additional cross connection east of Winslow Road and one west of Naples Road:  
substantially as shown by red lines on plan of A. L. Plimpton, Civil Engineer, dated June 23rd, 1915 filed herewith; together with all necessary curves, cross-overs, switches and connections; said alterations being in substitution for existing tracks as shown by dotted black lines on the aforesaid plan.

Also, that permission is given said company to establish and maintain the overhead single trolley electric system of motive power in the operation of its cars on said new tracks and to erect, maintain and use the necessary poles, as indicated by red dots on said plan; also wires, appliances and electrical appliances and apparatus and to make the underground and surface alterations of the streets necessary for that purpose.

By vote of this Board permission was Granted to the Edison Electric

Illuminating Company to install a conduit and manhole on Audubon Road from Medfield Street, plans for same being approved by Mr. Putnam.

By vote of this Board permission was granted to the Edison Electric Illuminating Company to install a conduit and manhole in Columbia Road at Quincy Street plans for same being approved by Mr. Putnam.

It was VOTED to grant permission to the Daly Industrial School to use a band stand on Saturday, July 10th, 1915, provided they do the teaming for same and return it to this Department in good order.

It was VOTED to ask Mr. Nat Young to be present at the next meeting of this Board at 10.30 a. m.

It was VOTED to charge Mrs. Elizabeth Curtis the sum of Fifty Dollars per year as her share of the lighting bill for Jamaica Pond Shelter Building and Boat Landing, both places being on the one electric light meter and her lease states that she will pay the expense of lighting the Shelter Building.

It was VOTED to increase the wages of John J. Burke employed as a life guard and helper at North End Park from \$2.50 to \$2.95 per day. subject to the approval of the Mayor.

Bids were opened at this office for building a concrete balustrade at Marine Park, South Boston, as follows:-

	Item #1 For each linear foot of concrete balustrade erected and completed	Approximate Cost	Item #2 Concrete foundation (Approximate Price)
William J. Rafferty 33 Champney St., So. Boston.	\$1.20	\$1,998.00	Reasonable cost plus 10% \$40.00
Clarke & Gore 191 E. Eighth St. So. Boston	1.75	2,913.75	Reasonable cost plus 10% \$40.00

By vote of this Board, subject to the approval of the Mayor, the contract was awarded to the lowest bidder, William J. Rafferty, 33 Champney St., So. Boston, for the approximate amount of \$2,038.

*D. J. Byrne*  
Secretary

July 9, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 10.30 a. m.

Present:- Commissioners Dillon and Gibson.

Mr. Nat Young of the Boston School Department was present on invitation and outlined the conditions of the various playgrounds. He stated that they were all in good condition at the present time.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved with the understanding that the Secretary would notify the Boston Elevated Company that this Commission granted them permission for track construction on Commonwealth Avenue with the understanding that the paving was to be granite block with a Hassan base, similar to the work done at Coolidge's Corner.

Reports from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and on motion were placed on file.

A communication was read making complaint against flow of water from Dorchester Park on to private land and same was referred to the Law Department for opinion.

The Beach Chair Privilege matter was considered and the Secretary was instructed to send a registered letter to the second highest bidder, Mr. Henry W. Wansker, 243 Church St., Newton, Mass. asking him to accept or reject the privilege by return mail. The Secretary was instructed upon receipt of reply if favorable to arrange for lease, if unfavorable to write to the International Comfort Chair Co. 907 Pemberton Bldg., City, and ask them to accept or reject said privilege.

An application was made for the use of the Ward 8 building from Mr. B. Braensky, 78 Brighton Street and on motion it was laid over to be considered at a later meeting.

A communication was read from the Roxbury Historical Society relative to the cannon to be placed on fort at Highland Park, and same was placed on file.

A communication was read from Dr. J. J. Minot relative to sanitariums at Castle Island and same was referred to the Law Department for an opinion.

It was VOTED to grant permission to the Public Works Department

to construct a drain pipe in the Arborway near Prince Street and the Secretary was instructed to state on the permit issued that if the work was not properly done it would be done by this Department at their expense.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to J. C. Coleman & Sons Co., the sum of Four hundred sixty nine & 25/100 dollars, being for gravel, sand and crushed stone, as per bill attached dated, July 8, 1915.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to D. M. Biggs & Co., the sum of Eleven hundred three & 50/100 dollars, being for sand as per bill attached dated June 1, 1915.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to George H. Noone, the sum of Seven Hundred Fifty seven and 5/100 dollars being for sand as per bill attached dated July 8, 1915.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to Merrimac Chemical Co the sum of Thirteen hundred eighty four & 50/100 Dollars, being for Arsenate of Lead as per bill attached dated July 8, 1915.

The Secretary stated that it would be necessary to ask the Civil Service Commission for the temporary appointment for seven weeks of a Stenographer in the office, and it was VOTED that he be granted permission to arrange for same.

Mr. John C. Kiley, Real Estate Expert, came before the Board asking for the removal of restrictions on buildings erected on lots bordering on Parkways, and it was VOTED to grant him a hearing before this Board on Wednesday, July 14th, 1915 at 1 p. m.

*D. J. Byrne*  
Secretary

July 16, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon Street at 11.30 a.m.

Present, Commissioners Dillon and Gibson.

The records of the last meeting were read and on motion were approved.

Reports from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and on motion were placed on file.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Henry W. Wansker, the second 197  
highest bidder, agreed to accept the Beach Chair Privilege, and  
on motion, it was VOTED to award the Beach Chair Privilege at  
Strandway Beach, South Boston, to Henry W. Wansker, 243 Church  
street, Newton, for the sum of \$253.75 each year for three years.

An estimate was submitted for repairing water pipes, shower  
heads and valves, in the Cabot street Bathhouse by Oates & Murphy,  
for the sum of \$490., and on motion it was VOTED to accept same,  
and the Chairman was authorized to execute contract.

A communication was read from the Budget Commission, and it was  
VOTED to make a report on this matter at the next meeting.

A communication was read from the Law Department, also a plan  
submitted, relative to an additional land taking at Tenean Beach,  
and on motion it was VOTED that the Street Commissioners be  
requested to take by eminent domain the parcel of land containing  
76,451 feet as shown upon the plan submitted.

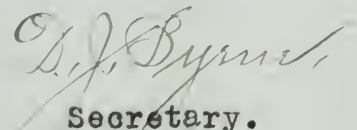
A communication was read relative to the Flag Pole at Camp  
Meigs, and it was VOTED to buy a new American flag and have same  
placed there.

A communication was read from Mr. Benson relative to the pur-  
chase of fish for the Aquarium, and it was VOTED to instruct the  
Chairman to make arrangements with Mr. Louis L. Mowbray of the  
New York Aquarium for the same.

A bill was submitted from Mr. Edward W. Harnden for \$17.50  
for transcript of testimony of Commissioner Gibson given before  
the Finance Commission relative to the Franklin Park refreshment  
privilege, and it was VOTED to approve same.

A communication from Mr. W. D. Austin relative to a falling  
piece of lintel over an entrance in the Aquarium was read and  
on motion was referred to Mr. Putnam for his inspection.

It was VOTED to grant permission to the West End Street Railway  
Company to occupy and use Commonwealth Avenue from Warren St to  
Chestnut Hill Avenue for the purpose of installing a conduit.

  
Secretary.

July 23, 1915.

A meeting of the Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon Street, at 11.30 a.m.

Present, Commissioners Dillon and Gibson.

The records of the last meeting were read and on motion were approved.

Reports from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and on motion were approved.

Voted that there be allowed and paid to William J. Rafferty & Co., the sum of \$660.21 being third and final payment on contract for concrete walks on Marine Park under its contract approved April 8, 1915.

Voted that there be allowed and paid to M. F. MacDonald & Son, the sum of \$363.30 being second and final payment on contract for repairs on fences at L Street Bathhouse under its contract approved April 26, 1915.

Voted that there be allowed and paid to Clark & Gore the sum of \$11536.20, being third approximate estimate on contract for Wood Block Pavement on Commonwealth Avenue under their contract approved April 8, 1915.

Voted that there be allowed and paid to Louis L. Mowbray the sum of \$250.00 being in payment of the City of Boston's share of the expenses incidental to the collection of tropical fish in the Bermudas for the Boston Aquarium.

An application was received from the Edison Electric Illuminating Co., to install a conduit and manhole on Commonwealth Ave., and on motion it was Voted to approve same.

A communication was read from Mr. Henry Richardson, Supt. of the Readville Mills, relative to permission for boys to bathe in Pond adjacent to the Mill, and submitting a statement of what they intend to do. It was Voted to grant permission for them to bathe there provided the same receives the approval of the Law Department and the Mayor.

A communication from Mr. John Beck was read relative to the rental of a house on Denny Street at Savin Hill Beach obtained in the recent Land taking there by this Department, and it was Voted that

Mrs. Phoebe Bassill be granted permission until further notice to live there, rent free, with the understanding that she agrees to protect the property.

It was Voted to ask the Law Department to draw up an order modifying the law relative to building apartment houses making the change from \$4,000.00 per suite to \$4,000.00 per story for every twenty-five feet of frontage and at the same rate for any greater width. (This does not commit the Board to remove any restrictions as it is merely a tentative detail).

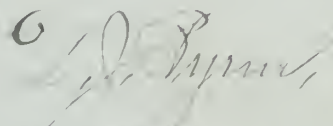
The Secretary called the attention of the Board to the time limit having expired on the contract of Clark & Gore, and it was Voted to refer the matter to Mr. Putnam with the request that he make a report on same.

The Chairman stated that a hearing was given by him relative to a change in the location of the Horse Sheds at Franklin Field and after giving an outline of the many protests made at that hearing, it was Voted to refer the matter to a later meeting.

It was Voted to instruct the Secretary to write to the Art Commission and also to Mr. Robert T. May, Secretary of the Burns' Memorial Committee, and state that this Board will appreciate any action taken towards the early completion of the Burns' Monument on the new Mall in the Public Garden as we are being asked many questions to the time that this statue will be in place, and we would respectfully urge that every effort be made towards an early completion of the work.

It was Voted to instruct the Secretary to write to Mr. Murphy, Commissioner of Public Works, and call his attention to the bad condition of the cross streets on Commonwealth Avenue from Harvard Avenue to Chestnut Hill Avenue, especially in the vicinity of Chiswick Road.

The Secretary was instructed to call Major Sullivan, of the Boston Elevated Railway Co., on the telephone, relative to the Hassan base on the Commonwealth Avenue roadway and again insist that the work be done in accordance with the agreement.

  
Secretary.

July 30, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon Street, at 11.45 A.M.

Present, Messrs. Dillon and Gibson.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports of Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

A hearing was given to consider the elimination of objectionable pictures in the Park Shows, Mr. Cole stating they did not depict conditions correctly as people might think they were taken in Massachusetts instead of in another State. Mr. Mero stated that the pictures objected to had been stopped over a week ago and that no pictures would be exhibited that could be considered as objectionable.

It was Voted, that there be allowed and paid to Clark and Gore the sum of Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-five and 60/100 dollars, being for the fourth approximate estimate of work done and materials furnished on Wood Block Pavement on Commonwealth Avenue, under their contract approved April 8, 1915.

It was Voted to grant permission to the Public Works Department to rebuild a drain on Commonwealth Avenue, subject to the approval of Mr. Putnam.

It was Voted to ask Mr. Putnam to make a report on a request from Clark and Gore for an extension of time on their contract to lay a wood block pavement on Commonwealth Avenue.

It was Voted to grant permission to the Bay State Dredging Co., to dump about ten thousand yards of dredge material along the northerly side of Castle Island Bridge.

It was Voted to refer the application of the Full Gospel Assembly to use the band stand at Everett Square, Hyde Park, when it is not being used for any other purpose, to Mr. Putnam for a report as to whether the band stand is safe or not.

Communications from the City Council were read and placed on file relative to the appropriations for the purchase of land at Tenean Beach, Ward 19 Playground, and Ronan Park, also, to the sale of land at the corner of Seaver St. and Walnut Avenue, also, at the corner of Harold and Seaver St., and a lot on Cambridge St.



A communication was read from the Schoolhouse Department , relative to about six hundred lockers they desire to sell to this Department, and it was Voted to refer same to Mr. Putnam for a report.

A communication was read from the Art Commission relative to the Copenhagen Fountain, and same was referred to Mr. Putnam with instructions to proceed with the work.

A communication was read from the Art Commission relative to the Fence on the Boylston Street side of the Public Garden, and same was referred to Mr. Putnam.

The Secretary called attention to the report on Rentals made some time ago by the Finance Commission, and same was referred to the next meeting to take such action as was necessary.

The Secretary called the attention of the Board to the Puritan Canoe Club who have not paid the rental of their Clubhouse for two years, and also have failed to sign a renewal of their lease. It was Voted to instruct the Secretary to refer the matter to the Law Department and take such action as they recommended.

*C. J. Sullivan*  
Secretary.

Aug. 6, 1915.

A meeting of the Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., 11.45 a. m.

Present, Commissioners Dillon and Gibson.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports of Mr. McGrath and Mr. Shea were read and placed on file.

A report from Mr. Putnam was received, recommending an extension of time on the contract of Clark and Gore for the paving of Commonwealth Ave. and it was VOTED that the time on their contract be extended to Aug. 20, 1915

A report was made by Mr. Putnam on the condition of the band stand and flag pole at Everett Square, Hyde Park, and it was VOTED to instruct Mr. Putnam to repair said band stand and flag pole after getting estimates of cost of same.

It was VOTED to ask the approval of the Mayor for a schedule of fees to be charged for permits issued by this Department, same to take effect September 1st, 1915.

A communication was received from the Burns Memorial Association and also one from the Art Commission relative to the completion of the Burns Statue, and it was VOTED to place same on file.

It was VOTED to grant permission to Mr. B. Braenskey to use the Ward 8 Building on Blossom Street for the purpose of conducting religious services on the following dates:- Sept. 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 17, 18th; it being understood this Commission reserves the right to revoke this permit upon twenty four hours' notice. The Secretary was instructed to make a charge of Four Dollars for each date.

A communication from the Art Commission relative to the approval by the Art Commission of the cannon and tablet to be placed at Highland Park, Roxbury, was read and laid over to a later meeting.

The plans for the improvement of Ronan Park were considered at this meeting and same were referred to a conference to be held with the Street Commissioners at their office.

A communication was received from the City Council requesting this Commission to report as to the expediency of affixing suitable labels to the trees on the important streets and thorough-fares and whether or not the expense could be met from the appropriation for the Department. It was VOTED to instruct the Secretary to notify the City Council that as this expense was not included in our annual estimate it should not be taken from the maintainence appropriation for this Department. This Commission believes a special appropriation should be made based on estimates obtained from this Department.

A communication was received from the Mass. Highway Commission relative to a traffic census to commence on the 23rd day of August and last one week, and it was VOTED to give them our co-operation

It was VOTED to request Mrs. Shea to vacate the women's section at the L Street Bath where she was given a refreshment privilege for the reason that she did not make payment for same as agreed.

A communication from Mr. Putnam recommending the acceptance of the wood blocks manufactured by the Ohio Creosoting Co. now being used by Clark & Gore on Commonwealth Ave. was read and it was VOTED to accept same as recommended.

An application was made by the South Boston Citizen Association for the privilege of conducting a pageant in conjunction with the carnival at Marine Park on Sept. 2, 3, 4, and 6th and it was VOTED to grant same.

It was VOTED to ask Mr. Olmsted to have a conference with the Mayor and the Chairman of this Commission relative to sections of the Park System.

It was VOTED to authorize the Chairman to purchase a six cylinder Stearns-Knight Automobile for the sum of Twenty Six Hundred Dollars, and that His Honor, the Mayor, be asked to grant permission to purchase same without advertising for proposals.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to the Atlantic Oil Co the sum of Three hundred forty-nine &5/100 dollars being for oil and gasolene as per bill attached dated August 5, 1915.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to John H. Dillon the sum of One Hundred Fifty and 00/100 dollars, being for expenses of three men to New York and return, and expenses incidental to the transfer of tropical fish from New York to Boston.

Deeds of sale were presented by Mr. Charles Frank Day, City conveyancer, and were signed by this Commission for the sale of a parcel of land situated at the junction of Seaver Street and Walnut Avenue for the sum Twelve Hundred Dollars to Emma J. Carlin, of Boston, also for the sale of a parcel of land situated at the junction of Seaver and Harold Streets for the sum of Three Hundred Dollars to Vincent Maschio of Boston.

Mr. Day also presented the following which was signed at this meeting by the three Commissioners:-

K N O W A L L M E N B Y T H E S E P R E S E N T S

T H A T

The City of Boston, a municipal corporation in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in pursuance of an order of the City Council of said City, approved by the Mayor February 3, 1912, does, so far as it may lawfully do so without affecting the legal or equitable rights of other persons, at the request of H. Betram Finer alter or amend the restrictions contained in a certain agreement given to said City by the Trustees of the Boston Water Power Company, dated June 26, 1899, recorded with Suffolk Deeds, Book 2822 page 17, so far as they

apply to three certain lots of land situated in Said Boston and supposed to be owned by said Finer, being lots numbered 15, 16, and 17 on a plan dated May 7, 1900 and recored<sup>d</sup> in said Deeds, Book 3518 page 281, bounded southeasterly by the northwesterly line of Audubon road, eighty and 74/100 feet, and otherwise as set forth in Land Court certificate #7019, dated April 8, 1915 registering the title to said land in said H. Betram Finer, which land is also referred to in said certificate as lot M, by striking out from paragraph, Number Two of said restrictions the words "nor apartment house costing less than four thousand dollars per suite of apartments" and substituting therefor the words "nor apartment house costing less than four thousand dollars per story for every twenty-five feet or less of frontage and at the same rate for any greater width": so that said paragraph as hereby amended shall read as follows:-

"No brick or stone house costing less than seven thousand dollars nor apartment house costing less than four thousand dollars per story for every twenty-five feet or less of frontage and at the same rate for any greater width, exclusive in each case of the cost of the land, shall be erected or placed upon said premises."

PROVIDING, HOWEVER, that the restrictions set forth in said agreement shall remain in full force and effect except so far as modified hereby; and provided further that the design of the front of any building placed or erected upon the described premises shall be approved by the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners of said City.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the said City of Boston has caused its corporate seal to be hereto affixed and these presents to be signed, acknowledged and delivered in its name and behalf by John H. Dillon, Thomas F. Galvin and Charles Gibson, its Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners, hereto duly authorized this sixth day of August in the year nineteen hundred and fifteen.

CITY OF BOSTON

(signed)	By	John H. Dillon	) Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners	City Seal
"		Charles Gibson		
"		Thos. F. Galvin		

Approved:

(signed) James M. Curley

Mayor of the City of Boston

## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Suffolk, ss.

August 6, 1915

Then personally appeared the above names John H. Dillon, Thomas F. Galvin, and Charles Gibson and acknowledged the fore going instrument to be the free act and deed of the City of Boston.

Before me,  
(signed) Charles Frank Day,  
Notary Public

Approved as to form:

Chas. Frank Day

City Conveyancer.

It was VOTED subject to the approval of the Mayor that on and after September 1, 1915 and charge will be made for each permit issued by this Department in accordance with the following schedule:-

- 1 Opening in roadways, walks, or grounds, 50 cents each limited to 100 linear feet on one permit.
- 2 Emergency permits (for the above purpose) 50 cents for each opening.
- 3 Cleaning snow from roofs (occupation of sidewalk and street while so doing), annual permit \$1.00 each.
- 4 Teaming or trucking on park roads \$5.00 per day.
- 5 Erecting and repairing awnings (Annual permit), \$.50
- 6 Erecting, altering or repairing buildings, (Occupation of street or sidewalk), 1 cent per square foot per month up to 5,000 feet, and 1/2 cent per foot per month in excess of five thousand feet; the minimum charge to be at one month rate.
- 7 Painting or minor repairs 50 cents each
- 8 Moving buildings in streets, \$5.00 per day; minimum charge \$10.00
- 9 Placing and maintain<sup>ing</sup>/gasolene dispensers, not including signs (Annual permit) \$10.00
- 10 Special permits for other than above purposes, 25 cents each.
- 11 Annual permits at rates other than thoses in the preceding classes when in the opinion of the Commission such permits are requisite to the proper conduct of the permit system.

ALL EXTENSIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED RENEWALS AND A CHARGE COLLECTED AS FOR A NEW PERMIT.

*L. J. [Signature]*  
Secretary

Aug. 20, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon Street at 10.45 a. m.

Present, Commissioners Dillon and Galvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports of Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to Clarke and Gore the sum of Eight Thousand Five Hundred Thirty Nine and 95/100 Dollars for fifth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Wood Block Pavement on Commonwealth Ave. under their contract approved April 8, 1915.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to McNeil Construction Co. five Hundred Forty Seven & 70/100 Dollars being for fourth and final estimate of work done and material furnished on Grandstand on Franklin Field under its contract approved March 11, 1915.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to William J. Rafferty & Co. the sum of Five Hundred Forty and 60/100 Dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on erecting concrete balustrade on Marine Park under their contract approved July 21, 1915.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to John H. MacAlman the sum of Twenty Six Hundred Dollars, being for one Stearn-Knight six cylinder automobile as per contract approved by His Honor, the Mayor, August 7, 1915.

Communications from the City Council as follows were received and placed on file: ORDERED: That the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) be and the same hereby is appropriated to be expended by the Park and Recreation Commissioners for the completion and improvement of "Ronan Park".

ORDERED: That the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000) be and the same hereby is appropriated to be expended by the Park and Recreation Commissioners for the enlargement and completion of Ward Nineteen Playground.

ORDERED: That the sum of \$46,500 be and hereby is appropriated, to be expended by the Park and Recreation Commission for the purchase of Tenean Beach property.

Permission was granted to the Massachusetts State Militia to use Commonwealth Ave. from Arlington Street to Massachusetts Ave. for the mobilization of the militia on Thursday, Aug. 26th.

A communication from Mr. McNealy relative to the extermination of rats in the animal house was read and same was referred to the Chairman for such action as he deems necessary.

An application was made by Mr. Wattendorf to maintain a gasolene dispenser at 699 Columbia Road and same was referred to the Chairman for such action as he deems necessary.

A communication from Fire Commissioner Grady was read relative to repairs to the Dover Street Boilers and same was referred to the Chairman to make report at some later meeting.

An opinion was received in answer to our request relative to the refreshment privilege at L Street wherein the Law Department states that granting a privilege inside the Bath house did not in any way conflict with the privilege granted for the booth at the corner of L Street and the Strandway.

Estimates were received from Mr. Charles E. Putnam stating the cost to complete the Norfolk Street and Parker Hill Playgrounds. Same were placed on file.

A communication was received from Mr. Putnam relative to his being given a two seated automobile and same was placed on file.

An application was made by Thomas Butler and Co. to beach a vessel on Governor's Island and same was referred to the Chairman with authority to take such action as in his judgement is necessary.

Petitions were read asking that Mrs. Shea be allowed to resume her privilege in the refreshment booth at L Street, also, a hearing was given to Mrs. Shea and Mr. O'Brien and it was announced at the close of said hearing that the Board would give a decision in this matter later.

An application was made by the Boston National Base Ball Club to construct an entrance over the sidewalk on Commonwealth Avenue between Babcock Street and Gafney Street in order that automobiles may enter open space there for parking purposes, and upon recommendation of Mr. C. E. Putnam it was VOTED to grant same.

A communication was received from His Honor the Mayor, relative to the statue of Konti's "Mother and Child" and same was referred to the Chairman for such action as he deems necessary.

It was VOTED to remove the convenience station in Marine Park, South Boston, and the Chairman was instructed to take such action as is necessary.

A communication was read from the Mayor's Office stating that commencing with this date the Mayor must be notified of every change in salary and all temporary or permanent appointments, and same was placed on file.

Messrs. Somes & Parsoms, Archts., ask for a ruling as to where the street line was on Brookline Avenue and Commonwealth Avenue, and it was VOTED that the point at which Brookline Ave and Commonwealth Avenue meet was twenty feet back from the building line on Commonwealth Avenue.

It was VOTED to grant permission to have a day off with pay to such employees of this Department as attended the annual picnic of the Park and Recreation Department Union to be held on September 16th.

It was VOTED to grant permission to all employees of this Department whose services could be dispensed with to take a day off on Sept. 16th 1915 in order that they may attend the above picnic.

*L. J. Byrne*  
Secretary

August 27, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 11.15 a. m. at 33 Beacon St.

Present, Commissioners Dillon and Gibson.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The weekly reports of Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

An application was made by the South Boston Citizens Association for a temporary extension on telephone service, So. Boston 500 for use during the Carnival week, same to be done at their expense. It was VOTED to refer the matter to the Chairman with authority to take such action as he deems necessary.

An application was made by the South Boston Citizen Association for permission to exclude automobiles from Marine Park during the Carnival and it was VOTED that such automobile traffic as would interfere with the proper conduct of the Carnival be excluded




during that period.

An application was made by the John E. Cousens Coal Company for permission to install a sidewalk gasoline vending pump at 791 Commonwealth Ave. and it was VOTED to refer the same to Mr. Putnam for report.

It was VOTED to increase the wages of Frank Badaracco, 21 Unity Ct. Life Guard and Helper, from \$2.50 to \$2.95 per day, subject to the Mayor's approval.

A communication from the Art Commission was read asking that this Commission consider the approval of plans showing the proposed layout of the base of the Burns monument, and same was referred to Mr. Putnam with the request that he stake out the location, so that the Board might inspect it.



Secretary

Sept. 3, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St. at 11 a. m.

Present:- Commissioners Dillon and Galvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and on motion were approved.

The weekly reports of Mr. McGrath and Mr. Shea were read and placed on file.

An application was made by the New England Telegraph and Telephone Company for permission to drive their electric trucks and other vehicles through the Fenway parkway for the purpose of carrying instruments and other material for the completion of subscribers' orders, and it was VOTED to grant same.

- An application was made by Miss Emma V. Macauley for a sidewalk gasoline vending pump to be located at 389 Columbia Road, and on motion it was VOTED to refer the application to the Chairman to take such action as his judgement deemed necessary.

It was VOTED to grant a day off on Labor Day to all employees whose services could be dispensed with throughout the entire department.

The Chairman stated that he wrote a letter to the City Council on July 14th, stating that it was the intention of this Commission to recommend the taking of the land that is now not taken on the west side of Phillips Street, adjoining the land already taken, which will extend the land taking to Smith Street, and it was VOTED in addition to approve the following:- That this Commission recommend the taking of the land that is not now taken on the west side of Phillips Street adjoining the land already taken, which will extend the land taking to Smith Street, also recommend the taking of the land on Tremont Street from the Mission Church to and including land opposite of Phillips Street corner, and in addition #7, 9 and 11 Phillips Street; also the land in the rear of said Tremont Street property.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to Clark and Gore the sum of Seven Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Nine & 64/100 Dollars, being for sixth ~~and quantities final~~ estimate of work done and material furnished on Wood Block Pavement on Commonwealth Ave. under their contract approved April 8, 1915.

*D. J. Moran*  
Secretary

Sept. 10, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St. at 11 a. m.

Present:- Commissioners Dillon and Galvin

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The reports from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file

The Massachusetts Nautical School made application for permission to berth the Ranger at the bath pier at North End Park, during the coming winter under the same terms and conditions as heretofore.

It was VOTED to advertise for bids for grading, drainage, walks and concrete work on Ronan Park.

It was VOTED to ask Mr. D. Henri Desmond, Archt., to prepare plans for a convenience station for Boston Common, also to prepare plans for sanitary and locker building for Ronan Park, and Ward 19 playgrounds.

*D. J. Moran*  
Secretary

Sept. 24, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon Street at 11.30 a. m.

Present: Commissioners Dillon and Galvin.

Bids were opened for grading, drainage, walks and concrete work at Ronan Park as follows:-

	<u>Approximate Estimate</u>
J. C. Coleman & Sons Co.	\$36,616.50
Central Construction Co,	38,369.50
James Doherty	41,635.80
John Kelly Co	43,054.50
J. P. O'Riorden	44,157.00
Rowe Contracting Co	44,681.50
James L. Pierce	44,777.50
Middlesex Const. Co.	44,936.00
J. H. Sullivan	45,329.00
Bruno & Petitti	46,560.00
Coleman Bros.	48,245.00
D. M. Biggs & Co.	49,575.80
John McCourt Co.	49,705.20
Hugh Nawn Co.	51,322.00
Martino De Mateo	53,942.50
James J. Coughlin	57,217.10
J. H. Ferguson	57,667.00

By VOTE of this Board, subject to the Mayor's approval the contract was awarded to the lowest bidder, J. C. Coleman & Sons Co. for the approximate sum of \$36,616.50

  
Secretary

Oct. 1, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St. at 11 a. m.

Present: Commissioners Dillon and Gibson

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to James Doherty the sum of Six thousand nine hundred fifty-seven & 90/100 Dollars, being for third and final estimate of work done and material furnished on Bitulithic Pavement on Columbia Road, under his contract approved April 8, 1915.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to Clark & Gore the sum of Nine thousand two hundred thirty-six & 1/100 Dollars, being for seventh and final estimate or work done and material furnished on Wood Block Pavement on Commonwealth Ave., under their contract approved April 8, 1915.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to Wright Wire Co. the sum of two hundred nine & 71/100 dollars, being for second and

final estimate of work done and material furnished on Guard Fence at Elephant Yard, Franklin Park, under its contract approved Oct. 15, 1914.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to William J. Rafferty & Co., the sum of Six hundred eighty-three and 40/100 dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on erecting concrete balustrade on Marine Park, under their contract approved July 21, 1915.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to Oates & Murphy the sum of Four Hundred ninety & 00/100 Dollars, being for work done at the Cabot St. Bath House, as per bill attached dated September 28, 1915.

Permission was granted to John J. Magee, attendant at Wood Island Bath House to take a six months' leave of absence.

A communication was received from Mr. Charles E Putnam notifying the Commission that a gasolene dispenser installed at about #370 Riverway was in violation of the restrictions which forbid the use of a building within a hundred feet of the Riverway for mercantile purposes and it was VOTED to instruct Mr. Putnam to order same removed.

A communication was read from Olmsted Bros relative to improvement of plantations along the Boston Parkway. It was VOTED to grant them permission to make the improvements.

An application was received from the Public Works Department for permission to turn drainage from Canterbury St. into Scarboro Pond, in Franklin Park and upon recommendation of Mr. Putnam it was VOTED not to grant same, for the same reason as stated two years ago when a former application was made.

An application was made by the Boston Consolidated Gas Co. to install a new main on Audubon Road as per plan submitted, and upon approval by Mr. Putnam it was VOTED to grant same

An application was received from the Edison Electric Illuminating Co. to install a conduit, etc., at 1435 Commonwealth Ave. to Warren Street and on approval of Mr. Putnam it was VOTED to grant same.

Upon recommendation of Commissioner Gibson it was VOTED to approve the drawings submitted by Gay and Proctor showing the elevation of the first unit to be built by Mr. H. Bertram Finer

of the proposed apartment house block on Audubon Road, Fenway. It is distinctly understood that the material is to be of red brick identical with that of the house of the Harvard Club on Commonwealth Ave. and the stone trimmings or imitation stone trimmings, to be the exact color of the stone used on the facade of the Harvard Club. The whole facade is to follow closely the design of the east front of Hampton Court Palace, as agreed upon. It is further understood that the details of this building as it goes up are to be passed on by Commissioner Gibson

Permission was granted for the use of the Ward 8 Building until further notice as follows:-

The Brophy Club for basket ball and practice Monday Evenings

Lenox Associates, Tuesday Evenings practicing Grand March.

West End House, Wednesday Evenings Basket ball and practice

ST. Joseph T. A. Society, Friday Evenings, Rehearsals

-St. Joseph T. A. Society Saturday Evenings, Basket Ball.

It is understood the permits may be revoked at any time.

It was VOTED to grant permission to Mr. Charles Fottler to sharpen, let and sell skates, straps, etc., at the Locker Building, Franklin Field for the season of 1915-16 under same conditions as last year.

It was VOTED to grant authority to the Police Department to regulate traffic on Commonwealth Avenue between Brighton Avenue and Beacon Street by making Commonwealth Avenue between these points a one way street, open only to vehicles going in a easterly direction between said Brighton Avenue and Beacon Street, between the hours of 4.00 and 5.00 P. M. on such days as the World Series Ball Games are played at the Braves' Field off Commonwealth Avenue, Allston. Traffic going west will be diverted through Beacon Street.

An application was received from the Public Works Department for permission to construct a fifteen-inch pipe surface drain and an eight-inch sewer in Franklin Field, and upon approval of Mr. Putnam it was voted to grant same.

It was VOTED to ask for the appointment of two physical instructors with a salary of \$1,000. each per year.

A communication was received from the School Committee relative to installing swing and tilt frames on the following playgrounds:

Copps' Hill Playground  
 Norfolk st. Playground  
 Wood Island Park Playground  
 Charlestown Heights  
 Washington Park

It was VOTED to approve installing said frames in the Wood Island, Charlestown Heights and Washington Park locations. It was deemed inadvisable to approve Copps' Hill and Norfolk street Playground for the reason that said places are incompleated.

An application was made by the Boston Elevated Railroad for a change of location of shelter located at Beacon street and Commonwealth avenue, and upon approval of Mr. Putnam, it was VOTED to grant same.

An application was received from the Boston Elevated Railway Co. for permission"to construct, maintain and use an alteration of and an addition to its existing locations as follows:-

On Seaver Street, from Walnut Avenue to Blue Hill Avenue, (so far as the jurisdiction of your Board may extend), a relocation of the existing double tracks.

In Franklin Park, opposite Humboldt Avenue, a loop track with turnout, and four branch tracks to Seaver Street, east and west of Humboldt Avenue.

substantially as shown by red lines on plan of A. L. Plimpton, Civil Engineer, dated, May 13, 1915, filed herewith; together with all necessary curves, cross-overs, switches and connections; said alterations being in substitution for existing tracks as shown by dotted black lines on the aforesaid plan.

Also, that permission be given said company to establish and maintain the overhead single trolley electric system of motive power in the operation of its cars on said new tracks, and to erect, maintain and use the necessary poles, (as indicated by red dots on said plan); also wires, appliances and electrical appliances and apparatus and to make the underground and surface alterations of the streets necessary for that purpose."

On motion it was VOTED to hold a public hearing on the above, and the Secretary was instructed to advertise same.

It was VOTED to ask authority from His Honor, the Mayor, to purchase, without advertising, one Buick 5-seated touring car at an expense of \$1,038.00.

It was Voted, to award a contract for the casting, furnishing, installing and properly placing of a battery of four Revolutionary cannon, etc., to the Van Amringe Granite Co., for the sum of Two Thousand (\$2,000) Dollars, same to be located at Highland Park, Roxbury. Bids for this work were opened at this office June 11, 1915, the Van Amringe Granite Co., being the only bidder.

Bids were opened at this office today at 12 M for constructing Sanitary & Locker Building at Ronan Park, Dorchester, as follows:-

M.S.Kelliher, 379 Neponset ave., . . . . .	\$11,999.00
McGahey & O'Connor, 319 Washington st., . . . . .	13,776.00
McKenzie & Temple, 180 Milk st., . . . . .	13,828.00
Archdeacon & Sullivan, 3 E. Concord st., . . . . .	13,912.00
W.A.Murtfeldt & Co., 161 Devonshire st., . . . . .	14,077.00
M.D.Mealey & Co., 32 Riverway, . . . . .	14,166.00
John Bowen, 1208 Harrison Ave., . . . . .	14,324.00
John J. Flynn, 319 Washington st., . . . . .	14,346.00
John Daniel, 41 Bristol st., . . . . .	15,074.00
Haggood, Frost & Co., Wellesley, . . . . .	15,250.00

It was Voted, subject to the approval of the Mayor, to award the contract to the lowest bidder, M. S. Kelliher, for the sum of \$11,999.00.

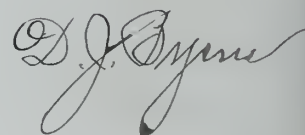
Bids were opened at this office today at 12 M for constructing a convenience station on Boston Common as follows:-

McKenzie & Temple, 180 Milk st., Boston, . . . . .	\$14,272.00
McGahey & O'Connor, 319 Milk st., Boston, . . . . .	14,941.00
I.F.Woodbury & Sons Co., 185 Summer st., Boston, . . . . .	15,459.00
John J. Flynn, 319 Washington st., . . . . .	15,569.00
John Bowen, 1208 Harrison Ave., Boston, . . . . .	15,788.00
John Daniel, 41 Bristol st., Boston, . . . . .	16,790.00
M.D.Mealey & Co., 32 Riverway, Boston, . . . . .	18,360.00

It was Voted, subject to the approval of the Mayor, to award the contract to the lowest bidder, McKenzie & Temple, for the sum of \$14,272.00.

It was Voted, to accept offer of the Van Amringe Granite Co., to place a tablet on the water-tower at Highland Park, Roxbury, as per plans submitted for the sum of Four Hundred Eighty Two and 50/100 dollars.

A communication was received from the Street Laying Out Dept., requesting the assent of this Board to the transfer from the Park and Recreation Department to the Street Laying Out Department, the parkway known as Neptune Road, East Boston. It was Voted, that this Board assent to the transfer with the understanding that it include the railroad bridge, also.



Secretary.

October 6, 1915.

A public hearing was held at this office today, Wednesday, October 6, 1915, at three o'clock P.M. on the following petition:-



"To the Park and Recreation Department of the  
City of Boston.

Gentlemen:-

The West End Street Railway Company, by the Boston Elevated Railway Company, its Attorney, respectfully petitions for leave to construct, maintain and use an alteration of and an addition to its existing locations as follows:

On Seaver street, from Walnut avenue to Blue Hill Avenue, (so far as the jurisdiction of your Board may extend), a relocation of the existing double tracks.

In Franklin Park, opposite Humboldt Avenue, a loop track with turnout, and four branch tracks to Seaver street, east and west of Humboldt Avenue.

substantially as shown by red lines on plan of A.L. Plimpton, Civil Engineer, dated May 13, 1915, filed herewith; together with all necessary curves, crossovers, switches and connections; said alterations being in substitution for existing tracks as shown by dotted black lines on the aforesaid plan.

Also, that permission be given said company to establish and maintain the overhead single trolley electric system of motive power in the operation of its cars on said new tracks, and to erect, maintain and use the necessary poles, (as indicated by red dots on said plan); also wires, appliances and electrical appliances and apparatus and to make the underground and surface alterations of the streets necessary for that purpose.

WEST END STREET RAILWAY COMPANY

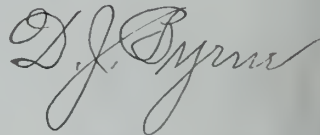
by BOSTON ELEVATED RAILWAY COMPANY, Its Attorney.

By (Signed) Wm. A. Bancroft, President."

Present;- Chairman Dillon and Commissioner Gibson.

The Chairman stated that he considered this an important petition, and desiring that it be given the utmost publicity in order that all who wished to protest might be given an opportunity, he ordered the hearing advertised in the Boston Herald, Globe, Post, Evening Record and Transcript in the daily issues of Oct. 1, 2, 3 and 4; also, the Boston American and the Boston Journal in their issues of October 2, 3, 4 and 5. In other words, it was advertised, he stated, four different times in the daily press of Boston.

The Chairman then stated that the Commission was now ready to listen to arguments in favor of the petition. Major Thomas F. Sullivan, Joseph Webber, and Senator Prentiss Parker addressed the meeting. The Chairman then asked if anybody present desired to protest against giving permission for locating the tracks in Franklin Park, and there being no one to object, the Chairman stated the hearing was closed, and the Commission would give further consideration to the petition.



Secretary.

October 8, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park & Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street at 10.30 A.M.

Present:- Commissioners Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The reports of Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

An application was made by the South Boston Yacht Club to store their rafts on L street Beach and it was Voted to grant them permission to do same.

It was Voted to cancel the award of contract for building convenience station on Boston Common given on October 1, 1915, to McKenzie & Temple for the sum of \$14,272.00 for the reason that the lowest bidder was higher than the amount of the appropriation on hand for that purpose.

A communication was received relative to holding a public meeting before an exchange of playgrounds in East Boston was made, and it was Voted to lay the matter over for some future meeting.

An application was made by Mr. Rockett for location of three carriage stands at 930 Commonwealth Avenue, and it was VOTED to refer same to Commissioner Gibson to make report at the next meeting.

It was VOTED to hold a special meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 13, at 10 a. m. to take action on the granting of permission to the Boston Elevated Railway Company to construct a loop at Franklin Park in accordance with outline and plan submitted at the Public Hearing held at this office on Oct. 6th, 1915.

It was VOTED to increase the wages of George C. Freeman, 199 W. Fifth St., life guard and helper in this Department from \$2.50 per day to \$3.00 per day, same to take effect Oct. 8, 1915.

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Secretary

Oct. 13, 1915.

A special meeting was called at 10.30 a. m. but there being no quorum present the meeting was adjourned.

*[Handwritten Signature]*  
Secretary

Oct. 15, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park & Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 10.30 a. m.

Present:- Commissioners Dillon and Gibson.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The reports from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to G. Henri Desmond the sum of Four Hundred Thirty one and 96/100 Dollars being for architects commission on contract for sanitary & locker building at Ronan Park, as per bill attached dated Oct. 6, 1915.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to W. M. Flynn the

sum of one hundred thirty-five and 15/100 dollars, being for second and quantities final estimate of work done and material furnished on Horse Shed on Franklin Field, under his contract approved March 11, 1915

An application was made by Mr. Walter A. Thompson for permission to deliver milk by automobile at Charlesgate East, and it was VOTED to grant same.

A communication was received from the Street Commissioners stating they saw no necessity for the extension of Mount Ida Road to Robinson Avenue at the present time. On motion the matter was referred to Mr. Putnam to report on at a later meeting.

Commissioner Gibson made a progressive report on application of Mr. Rockett for automobile stands on Commonwealth Avenue.

It was VOTED to ask Mr. Putnam to submit estimates for making repairs to floor and hand ball court at the East Boston Gymnasium.

It was VOTED to advertise for bids to repair floor of the East Boston Gymnasium and also the walls of the hand ball court, upon receipt of estimates from Mr. Putnam.

Bids were opened at this office today at 12M for constructing a convenience station, on Boston Common as follows:-

M. S. Kelliher 379 Neponset Ave.	\$13,009.00
McKenzie & Temple 180 Milk St.	13,240.00
John J. Flynn 319 Washington St.	13,482.00
Archdeacon & Sullivan 5 East Concord St.	13,500.00
I. F. Woodbury Sons Co. 185 Summer St.	13,856.00

It was VOTED subject to the approval of the Mayor to award the contract to M. S. Kelliher, the lowest bidder, for the sum of \$13,009.

*J. J. Sullivan*  
Secretary

Oct. 22, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park & Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon Street, at 10.30. am.

Present:- Commissioners Dillon and Gibson.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The reports of Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

Mr. McGrath presented a request from Mr. LaBohn asking for reimbursement of two weeks' salary stating that he had worked overtime previously to offset it. The matter was laid over to the next meeting.

A report was made on request for locating carriage stands in front of 930 Commonwealth Avenue with the recommendation that it be laid over until next year. On motion the report was accepted and same placed on file.

It was voted that there be allowed and paid to Mr. G. Henri Desmond the sum of Four Hundred Sixty-Eight and 32/100 Dollars, being for commission account of contract for convenience station, Boston Common, as per bill attached dated Oct. 18, 1915.

It was voted that there be allowed and paid to Olmsted Brothers the sum of Four Hundred Thirty Two & 50/100 Dollars being for professional services on account of revision of planting along Parkway from Huntington Avenue to Franklin Park.

It was voted that there be allowed and paid to Olmsted Brothers the sum of Three Hundred One and 4/100 Dollars being for professional services in revising preliminary and grading plans for Ronan Park.

It was voted to grant permission to the Boston Elevated Railway Company for the renewal of the snow dump and fence privileges granted in past years as follows:-

- A The maintenance of about 300 ft of snow fence on the North Brighton Playground adjoining Western Ave. opposite Riverdale St. This fence is to be about 50 ft. from the sidewalk and in every way satisfactory to this Board. The fence tends not only to keep the snow from drifting on the tracks but more especially upon the abutting sidewalk thus saving foot passengers considerable annoyance and inconvenience.
- B On the Charlestown playground corner of Main and Alford Sts. snow dump privilege.
- C A snow dump privilege on the Strandway, South Boston, at the entrance opposite Mercer Street just west of the skating pond.

It is understood that the grounds will be left in a clean and proper condition.

*D. J. Byrne,*  
Secretary.

October 29, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park & Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 10.30 a. m.

Present Commissioners Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The reports of Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

An application was made by the Public Works Department to lay a ten inch water pipe on Stratton Street, Dorchester, and upon approval of Mr. Putnam, it was VOTED to grant permission to lay same.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to J. C. Coleman & Sons Co., the sum of Six thousand nine hundred fifty-one and 30/100 Dollars, being first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Grading, Drainage, Walks and Concrete Work on Ronan Park, under its contract approved Sept. 29, 1915.

A petition was received signed by citizens living near Ronan Park asking that the Commission retain caretaker Brady's house on Ronan Park, and on motion it was VOTED to lay the matter over to a later meeting.

A letter was received from Mr. J. F. F. Brewster calling the attention of the Commission to a sewer on Sigourney Street, contending that this Department had no right to use it, and asking us to make other arrangement to dispose of the Park water, and it was VOTED to instruct Mr. Putnam to have the condition corrected.

An application was made by the Edison Electric Light to install a conduit on Columbia Road, same being approved by Mr. Putnam, and it was VOTED to grant them permission for this work.

*D. J. Byrne*  
Secretary

Nov. 5, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon Street, at 10.30 a. m.

Present, Commissioners Dillon, and Gibson.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The reports from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

Mr. Shea also reported an accident to his automobile, the Lenox Car, stating the damage would cost about \$75.00, and same was placed on file.

It was VOTED to instruct Mr. McGrath to make a personal inspection of the various houses under his charge and to make a written report stating the number of locks needing to be repaired and the number of locks now in proper condition, also the number of broken lights of glass. This report is to be made giving a separate statement for each house.

A petition was received from Mr. William P. Long asking that his rating be changed from that of Foreman to Superintendent of Street Trees and Moth Work, and on motion it was VOTED to approve the change of rating subject to the approval of the Civil Service Commission and His Honor, the Mayor.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to William J. Rafferty and Co. the sum of Four Hundred Seventy Four and 30/100 Dollars, being for third approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on erecting concrete balustrade on Marine Park under their contract approved July 21, 1915.

*D. J. Byrne*  
Secretary

Nov. 12, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon St., at 10.30 a. m.

Present, Commissioners Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The reports from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file. Mr. McGrath also made report of an accident to a boy named Kane which happened in the Ward 17 Gymnasium on November 10th and same was placed on file.

An application was made by Mr. Patrick J. Owens for retirement from the labor service of this Department for the reason that he was unable to fully perform his duties; he having been employed in this Department since Sept. 20, 1889, and it was VOTED that he be retired subject to the approval of the Mayor.

An application was made by the Edison Electric Illuminating Co., for permission to construct conduit, etc., on Commonwealth Ave., near Griggs St. same being approved by Mr. Putman and it was

VOTED to grant permission to do said work.

It was VOTED to instruct Mr. Dailey, Foreman Painter, to arrange to have three barrels, same to be painted green, place in the Public Garden as follows:- One at the corner of Arlington and Beacon Streets, one at the corner of Charles and Beacon Streets and one in the center of the Beacon Street Mall.

It was VOTED to instruct Mr. McGrath to make arrangements with the Public Buildings Department to have defects in the walls at Curtis Hall repaired at once.

*D. J. Sykes*  
Secretary

Nov. 19, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon Street at 5 o'clock p. m.

Present:- Commissioners Dillon and Galvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The reports from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

A communication was received from Dr. Joel E. Goldthwait asking permission to use skiffs rowed by girls on the waterways in the Fenway and there being no objection it was VOTED that permission be granted subject to the rules of this Commission.

A communication from the Boston American relative to supplying native edible fish in the South Boston Aquarium was read and it was VOTED to refer the matter to the Chairman for such action as he deemed necessary.

A communication from the Street Commissioners stating that the Board had taken certain parcels of land for the purpose of enlarging the Phillips Street Playground (Ward 19) and that the said taking had been approved by His Honor, the Mayor, and would be recorded on Nov. 17, 1915 was read, and it was VOTED to instruct the Secretary to arrange to have buildings on said land sold at auction at an early date.

A communication from the school committee asking that this Commission grant the use of the swimming pools free two afternoons a week one afternoon for the boys, and one for the girls to enable Boston



Public School pupils to meet the school requirements in swimming, and it was VOTED to grant permission under the same conditions as that of last year.

Mr. Putnam submitted an estimate for improvements of Savin Hill Playground, as per plans approved by Messrs. Olmsted Brothers, and same was placed on file.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to Mrs. Julia Savage the sum of One Hundred and 00/100 Dollars, being in settlement of claim, on recommendation of the Law Department, for compensation for injuries received on account of defect in the Castle Island Bridge, on July 18, 1915.

A communication was received from Mr. Charles A. Bova, relative to the condition of the Head House, stating that the interior of the Head House, Bath House, and Boiler Room are in as good condition as they were when same were leased to him. It was VOTED to instruct the Secretary to advertise for bids for leasing same for a term of five years.

It was VOTED to grant permission to the New England Inter-Collegiate Athletic Association to allow not exceeding five automobiles to go over the various roads and drives for the cross-country race at Franklin Park on Saturday morning, Nov. 22nd.

*C. J. Byrne*  
Secretary.

Nov. 26, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon Street at 11:55 a. m.

Present:- Commissioners Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved, Mr. Gibson not voting for the reason that he was not present at the last meeting. The reports from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

A special draft was read for Two Hundred Dollars payable to John F. Griffin Co. being final payment on contract for Elephant House, and on motion it was VOTED to refer the matter to Mr. Gibson with instructions to confer with Mr. Desmond about the work to be done.

A petition was received from the committee in charge of the Guild memorial to remove existing steps from the Beacon Street Mall of the Boston Common, same to be replaced with steps in memory of the late

Honorable Curtis Guild. It was VOTED to refer the matter to Commissioner Gibson with authority to arrange a conference between the committee and this Commission at this office.

An application was read for permission to build a driveway twelve feet wide for a private garage at 1848 Commonwealth Avenue, and it was VOTED to refer the matter to Commissioner Gibson and Mr. Putnam for a report at the next meeting.

Communications were read from Olmsted Brothers relative to Savin Hill Playground, the planting of Jamaica way to South Huntington Avenue and the planting of the parkway at the Little Wanderers' Home, same were placed on file. A communication was read from Olmsted Brothers requesting the use of colored plan exhibited at St. Alphonsus Hall for the development of the Ward 19 Playground, and it was VOTED to instruct Mr. Putnam to send them said plan.

A report was made by Mr. Putnam relative to the Custodian's house at Ronan Park and it was VOTED that after due consideration in conference with Mr. Gallagher, of Olmsted Brothers, of all the protests that had been placed before the Board that plan No 8, file 961, of Olmsted Brothers be approved with the reservation that the locker building be moved northwest at least twenty feet and the building now occupied by the Custodian be removed. It was also VOTED to request the Custodian to vacate in a reasonable time.

A protest was read from the Executive Committee of the Boston Common Society against the continuance of the newspaper stand on the Common near the corner of Park Street, and it was VOTED to refer the matter to Commissioner Gibson for a report at the next meeting.

An application was made by Messrs Newhall and Blevins for approval of proposed hotel plan to be built at the corner of Boylston and Ipswich Streets, and it was VOTED to refer same to Commissioner Gibson and Mr. Putnam for report.

An application was made for the approval of a cross walk to be built on Commonwealth Avenue at the entrance of St. Paul Street, and it was VOTED to refer same to Commissioner Gibson and Mr. Putnam for report.

An estimate was submitted by Mr. Putnam of the cost of repairs necessary to put the Head House at Marine Park in proper condition, and it was VOTED to lay this matter over until the next meeting.

Playground were read as follows:-

Old Colony Foundry & Fence Co.,	\$470.00
Wright Wire Co.	597.50
Broad Gauge Iron Works	869.00
W. A. Snow Irons Works	876.00
Shawmut Iron & Wire Works	885.00
Smith & Lovett Co.	990.00

It was VOTED to refer the above bids to Commissioner Gibson and Mr. Putnam to be considered at a later meeting.

A communication was received with plan from the City Planning Board for the development of the East Boston water front, and it was VOTED to refer same to Commissioner Gibson for a report at a later meeting.

It was VOTED that the plans and recommendations of Messrs Olmsted Brothers for the improvement of the grounds adjacent to the Little Wanderers Home be hereby approved.

*D. J. Ryan*  
Secretary

Dec. 3, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon Street at 10.30 a. m.

Present:- Commissioners Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The reports from Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to John Beck the sum of Thirteen Hundred Thirty five and 50/100 Dollars, being for expert services in connection with land takings, Ward 19 playground, as per bill attached dated November 30, 1915.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to J. C. Coleman & Sons Co., the sum of Seven Thousand Four Hundred Forty-five and 66/100 Dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Grading, Drainage, Walks and Concrete Work on Ronan Park, under its contract approved Sept. 29, 1915.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to W. M. Flynn the sum of One Hundred Fifty Eight & 85/100 Dollars, being for third payment on contract for Horse Shed on Franklin Field, under his contract approved March 11, 1915.

An application was made by John Morrissey, a Laborer in this Department to be retired as he is now physically unable to perform his duties, and it was VOTED that he be retired subject to the Mayor's approval.

Commissioner Gibson made a progressive report on each matter referred to him at the last meeting. He stated that a final report will be made at a later meeting

An application was made by the Edison Electric Illuminating Co., to install manhole and service on Columbia Road and same being approved by Mr. Putnam it was VOTED to grant permission for same.

It was VOTED to grant permission to Mr. Edward Pope, 1848 Commonwealth Avenue to make opening in sidewalk for entrance to garage.

It was VOTED to make the necessary repairs at the Head House at once in order to have it in proper condition for the next lessee.

*G. J. Byrne*  
Secretary.

Dec. 10, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon Street at 10.30 a. m.

Present:- Commissioners Dillon, Gibson and Galvin.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The reports of Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

Commissioner Gibson made a report on the application of Messrs. Newhall & Blevins to build hotel on the corner of Boylston & Ipswich Streets, stating that the plans of the proposed building does not comply with the restrictions and it was VOTED to refer the application to the Law Department for information relative to them.

A communication was read from Olmsted Brothers relative to the planting of Lombardy trees on South Huntington Avenue and it was VOTED that the recommendations of Messrs Olmsted Brothers, as outlined in their letter, be approved.

A communication from the State House Building Commission was read relative to the action of the various boards interested in the proposed street widening of Boston Common and it was VOTED that this Commission take no action at this time and to lay the matter on the table for the present.

It was VOTED to advertise for proposals for drainage work at Hyde Park, Smith's Pond Playground.

An application was made by Miss Alice P. Vanston for permission to have a Christmas tree in the North End Park on the evening of December 24th, and it was VOTED to grant same.

A communication was read from Mr. John J. Conroy submitting a proposal for the purchase of additional land on Tremont Street for the Ward 19 Playground, and it was VOTED to lay the matter on the table.

In making recommendations for the increases to be included in the segregated budget it was VOTED that the salary of Mr. James B. Shea, Deputy Commissioner be increased from \$3,500 to \$4,000 per year; that the salary of Mr. Hugh C. McGrath, Superintendent of Baths be increased from \$2,600 to \$3,000; that the salary of Mr. Charles E. Putnam, Chief Engineer be increased from \$2,500 to \$3,000.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to Buick-Boston Company the sum of Ten Hundred Thirty-eight & 00/100 Dollars, being for one Buick Model D-45 Touring Car, as per bill attached dated November 8, 1915.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to Batchelder Bros., the sum of Seventeen Hundred Four & 71/100 Dollars, being for coal delivered during November 1915, as per bill attached dated November 30, 1915.

*[Handwritten Signature]*  
Secretary

Dec. 17, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon Street at 10.30 a. m.

Present:- Commissioners Lillon and Gibson.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The reports of Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

It was VOTED that, whereas, the Board of Street Commissioners has taken, at the request of this board, and with the approval of the Mayor a parcel of land on Smith Street, Roxbury, containing 1419 square feet and buildings, for playground purposes, there be awarded and paid to David Johnson the sum of Two Thousand Eight Hundred and 00/100 Dollars

upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said taking, satisfactory to the Law Department.

It was VOTED, that whereas, the board of Street Commissioners has taken, at the request of this Board, and with the approval of the Mayor a parcel of land on Smith Street place, Roxbury, containing 2768 square feet and buildings, for playground purposes, there be awarded and paid to Christine Johnson  $5/6$  and John Johnson  $1/6$ , the sum of Seven Thousand Two Hundred Fifty and  $00/100$  (\$7,250.00) Dollars, upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said taking, satisfactory to the Law Department.

It was VOTED that, whereas, the Board of Street Commissioners has taken, at the request of this Board, and with the approval of the Mayor, a parcel of land on Smith Street, Roxbury, containing 2925 square feet and building, for playground purposes, there be awarded and paid to William N. Schemack the sum of Two Thousand Three Hundred and  $00/100$  (\$2,300.00) Dollars, upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said taking, satisfactory to the Law Department.

It was VOTED, that, whereas, the Board of Street Commissioners has taken, at the request of this Board, and with the approval of the Mayor, a parcel of land on Smith Street place, Roxbury, containing 3537 square feet and building, for playground purposes, there be awarded and paid to Henrietta Bertram the sum of Seven Thousand Eight Hundred and  $00/100$  (\$7,800.00) Dollars, upon her proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said taking, satisfactory to the Law Department.

It was VOTED, that, whereas, the Board of Street Commissioners has taken, at the request of this Board and with the approval of the Mayor, a parcel of land on Tremont Street, Roxbury, containing 4344 square feet, for playground purposes, there be awarded and paid to Adalbert Frank the sum of Sixty-Five Hundred (\$6,500) Dollars, upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and

expenses on account of said taking, satisfactory to the Law Department. 281

It was VOTED, that, whereas, the Board of Street Commissioners has taken, at the request of this Board, and with the approval of the Mayor, a parcel of land on Smith Street, Roxbury, containing 2220 square feet and buildings, for playground purposes, there be awarded and paid to George J. Dusold the sum of nine thousand (\$9,000) Dollars, upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said taking, satisfactory to the Law Department.

It was VOTED, that, whereas, the Board of Street Commissioners has taken, at the request of this Board, and with the approval of the Mayor, a parcel of land on Smith Street, Roxbury, containing 1431 square feet and building, for playground purposes there be awarded and paid to Catherine Hart and Patrick Hart the sum of Eighteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,800), upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said taking, satisfactory to the Law Department.

A communication was read from the South Boston Citizen's Association, asking that Mr. Bova be given consideration in granting the lease of the South Boston Head House at Marine Park, and same was placed on file.

A communication was read from Olmsted Brothers relative to proposed change at the intersection of Jamaica Way and the driveway to the Children's Museum, and it was VOTED to lay same on the table.

An application was made by the Boston Consolidated Gas Co. to place gas main in Franklin Field, same being approved by Mr. Putnam, and it was VOTED to grant permission.

Consideration of the changing the name of a short street running from Boylston Street to Ipswich Street was referred to the next meeting, and the Secretary was instructed to ask Mr. Longley to be present at said meeting.

Bids were opened at this office for leasing the Head House at Marine Park for a term of five years as follows:-

Henry W. Wansker, 797 Washington St. Newtonville.	\$5,200.00 per annum
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Charles F. Abbott 70 Devonshire St., Boston, Mass.	\$3,950.00
Peter C. De Luca, Charles De Luca 89 O St., S. Boston,	3,500.00
Charles A. Bova, Head House, S. Boston,	3,000.00
James A. Healy 56 Thomas Pk, S. Boston,	1,000.00

It was VOTED to postpone action on awarding lease until next meeting. A communication was read from Deputy Commissioner Shea relative to the new law about head lights which goes into effect on Jan. 1, 1915 and it was VOTED to adopt the recommendations and ask Mr. Putnam and Mr. Shea to see Mr. Wade and make such changes in the electric light service in the Parks as is necessary.

*D. J. Sympson*  
Secretary.

December 24, 1915:

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon Street, at 10.30 A. M. Present: Commissioners -Dillon and Gibson.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The reports of Mr. Shea and Mr. McGrath were read and placed on file.

It was VOTED, subject to the approval of the Mayor, to award the Head House concession to the highest bidder, Mr. Henry Wansker, 797 Washington St., Newtonville, for the sum of \$5,200.00, each year for five years.

An application was received from S. Wolk and Son, #39 Hansborough St., for permission to have the use of 15 ft. of the playground at Portsmouth Street, Brighton, for the storage of building materials. and, upon recommendation of Mr. Murphy, it was VOTED not to grant the same.

A communication was received from G. Henri Desmond relative to payment for architectural services on plans for the Ward 19 playground, and it was VOTED to lay the matter on the table.



A communication was received from Mr. Delcevare King relative to placing charts, showing where the different animals are located in Franklin Park, and it was VOTED, to refer the matter to Mr. Putnam.

A communication was received from Mr. John Beck asking if this department was willing to sell, or lease, the building at 33 Beacon Street, and it was VOTED, to instruct the Secretary to write to Mr. Beck and ask for further information; who are the parties who desire the lease, what is the nature of their business, what amount of money has been offered, and how long the lease is desired.

A communication from Mr. Pope was received stating that it would cost \$12,500.00 to place his statue " Vanishing Wild Life " in Franklin Park, and same was placed on file.

A communication was received and read from Mr. Obert Ssletten relative to statue, and same was referred to Commissioner Gibson, to confer with the Law Department.

A communication was received from the Art Commission stating that they had sent copy of same to the Mayor relative to their opinion on the building of the Convenient Station on Boston Common, and same was placed on file.

A communication was received from Mr. John T. Benson - making a report for the year 1914-15, on the activities of the Zoo at Franklin Park, and same was placed on file.

An application was received from Mr. William P. Long, asking for an increase of salary from \$1500 to \$2000 per year, and it was VOTED to grant same, subject to the approval of the Mayor.

It was VOTED to instruct the Secretary to confer with the Law Department relative to what action this Board should take about charging rental for house now occupied by Deputy Commissioner Shea.

It was VOTED to rescind the vote of May 8, 1914, whereby Mr. Shea was ordered to vacate the house occupied by him at Franklin Park.

Bids were opened at this office for Drainage Work to be done at Smith's Pond Playground, Hyde Park, as follows:

	<u>Approximate Estimate:</u>
Dean L. Chilson, Franklin, Mass.	\$8,685.50
J.C.Coleman & Sons Co., 1620 Tremont St., Boston, Mass.	9,799.00
John McCourt Co., 46 Wait St., Roxbury, Mass.	11,768.00
Thomas Russo & Co., 240 North St., Boston, Mass.	12,247.25
Daddario & Booth, 49 Edgewater Drive, Mattapan, Mass.	12,593.50
C.J.Jacobs Co., 107 Terrace St., Roxbury, Mass.	12,702.50
Anthony Barnffaldi, 9 Parker Place, Somerville, Mass	13,174.50
Bernard F. Hanrahan, 190 Paris St., E.Boston, Mass.	14,182.50
Bruno & Petitti, 18 Tremont St., Boston, Mass.	15,993.50

  
Secretary.

Dec. 31, 1915.

A meeting of the Board of Park and Recreation Commissioners was held at 10.30. a. m. at 33 Beacon Street.

Present:- Commissioners Dillon and Gibson.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The reports from Mr. Shea and McGrath were read and placed on file.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to G. Henri Desmond, the sum of Four Hundred Sixty Four & 40/100 Dollars, being for professional services on plans and specifications for Playground Building, Ward 19, as per bill dated December 21, 1915.

It was VOTED that there be allowed and paid to Wm. J. Rafferty & Co., the sum of Three Hundred Thirty Nine & 30/100 Dollars, being for fourth and final estimate of work done and material furnished on erecting concrete balustrade on Marine Park, under their contract approved July 21, 1915.

It was Voted that there be allowed and paid to the Onoto Chemical Co., the sum of Eighty two and 45/100 dollars, being for bug-a-side as per bill attached dated December 21, 1915.

It was Voted to refer the letter from the Law Department relative to the rental to be charged to Mr. Shea for house at Franklin Park, to the Chairman to confer with the Mayor on same.

It was Voted, to appoint William H. Cronan, 40 Glendale street, Dorchester, as a physical instructor in this Department with a salary of \$1,000.00 per year.

It was Voted to appoint Thomas H. Nines, 91 Horace street, East Boston, as a physical instructor in this Department with a salary of \$1,000 per year.

It was Voted, to ask for the transfer of Mr. Eugene Cray, 52 Woodcliff street, Dorchester, from the Water Service of the Public Works Department as a Laborer in this Department at \$2.50 per day.

It was Voted, subject to the approval of the Mayor, to award the contract for drainage work at Smith's Pond Playground, Hyde Park, to Dean L. Chilson, Franklin, Mass., the lowest bidder, for the approximate amount of \$8,685.50.

A report was received from Mr. John Beck relative to land on Allston street, Allston, recommended for playground purposes by the City Planning Board, and it was Voted to write to the City Council asking for an appropriation to purchase said land.

It was Voted, to hold a public hearing in the Aldermanic Chamber, City Hall, on January 20th, relative to transfer of land at Orient Heights, East Boston.

It was Voted to hold a public hearing at this office on Wednesday, January 19th at 12 M. relative to considering changing the name of part of street now called Charlesgate East, between Ipswich street and railroad.

A communication was received from His Honor, the Mayor, stating that the Ward 6 Building, Blossom Street, had been transferred to the Health Department, and same was placed on file.

It was Voted, to grant permission to skate on that part of the Fenway called Muddy River until further notice at such places as may be designated by Foreman Hogan.

A communication was received from Mr. John C. Kiley, relative to additional land to enlarge the Norfolk street Playground, and it was Voted to refer the matter to Mr. Putnam.

Communications were received from the officers of the Boston Common Society and Mrs. Alice Brown relative to providing fence and posts on the Tremont street Side of Boston Common, and it was Voted to lay the matter on the table.

It was Voted, to ask Mr. Alexander Pope to submit estimate of cost to furnish statue in bronze of "Vanishing Wild Life".

It was Voted to ask Mr. Putnam to submit estimates of cost necessary to repair roof of band stand on Boston Common.

A communication was received from Mr. Henry A. Root, relative to exchanging land between the City of Boston, Park & Recreation Department and the Forsyth Dental Infirmary, and it was Voted to refer the matter to the Law Department.

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Secretary.



