

Sohier Park Committee
October 14, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Members Present:

Barry Leibovitz
Brenda Knapp
Brian Ross
Diane Ross
Susan Moran

Others Present: Marquis MacGlashing, Kathy O'Donnell, Donna Allard-Flett

Topics Discussed:

1. Public Comment

- Kathy discussed the parking issue at Sohier Park and she emphasized the important item is to manage the parking as best we can in the new plan. We are never going to fit enough parking with the present boundaries of the park.

2. Gift Shop Update

- Improvements mad to the handrails and interior lights at the Gift Shop. As of October 14 the Gift Shop had 140 buses visiting in October and 117 in September. The Gift Shop will be closing on October 26th.

3. Discussion on Fundraising

- Barry introduced Donna and the committee. Donna discussed fundraising opportunities for the new improvements at the Park. The committee appreciated Donna's interest in assisting with fundraising. The committee needed some more detailed information from Peter and the Town's Finance Director before further discussion on fundraising. Brenda and the committee will send Peter our needs for further information that will assist us in understanding issues regarding the project and fundraising.

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4. Parking at Sohier Park

- The committee wants to have a work session on parking and ways to deal with future parking issues. We would invite other Sohier Park and Gift Shop volunteers to the work session for input. Dates and times to be determined.

Next Meeting: November 12th at 5:00pm

Suggested Agenda Topics:

- Financing Improvements
- Parking work session

Submitted by Brian Ross, Vice Chairman

