

*****ATTACHMENTS*****

III

4.7

Res. No. 70 -- 16 - 17. By Alderperson Belanger. August 1, 2016.

A RESOLUTION authorizing the Superintendent of Parks and Forestry to apply for a cost-share grant from the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission for the purpose of purchasing street trees as part of the City's program to mitigate the effects of the Emerald Ash Borer.

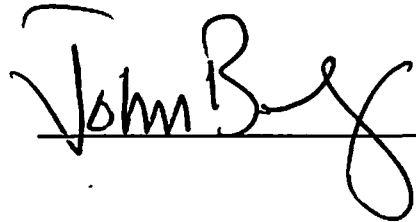
WHEREAS, the City of Sheboygan is interested in obtaining a cost-share grant from the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission for the purpose of funding Emerald Ash Borer mitigation projects using funding originating from the U.S. Forest Service Great Lakes Restoration Initiative; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Superintendent of Parks and Forestry is hereby authorized to apply for said grant is empowered to act on the City's behalf to:

1. Sign and submit the grant application.
2. Sign a grant agreement between applicant and the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission.
3. Submit interim and/or final reports to the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission to satisfy the grant agreement.
4. Submit reimbursement requests and, if applicable, contractor invoices to the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission.
5. Sign and submit other required documentation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: The City of Sheboygan shall budget a sum sufficient to fully and satisfactorily complete the project.

*Bo Marusa,
Parks & Forestry
and
Pub Works.*



I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution was duly passed by the Common Council of the City of Sheboygan, Wisconsin, on the _____ day of _____, 20__.

Dated _____ 20____, _____, City Clerk

Approved _____ 20____, _____, Mayor

CITY OF SHEBOYGAN

REQUEST FOR MARINA, PARKS AND FORESTRY COMMISSIONER CONSIDERATION

ITEM DESCRIPTION: Resolution Regarding a Request to Apply to Obtain a Cost-Share Grant to Purchas Street Trees.

REPORT PREPARED BY: Joseph L. Kerlin, Superintendent of Parks and Forestry

REPORT DATE: July 28, 2016

MEETING DATE: August 01, 2016

FISCAL SUMMARY:

STATUTORY REFERENCE:

Budget Line Item: N/A
Budget Summary: N/A
Budgeted Expenditure: N/A
Budgeted Revenue: N/A

Wisconsin Statutes: N/A
Municipal Code: N/A

BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS:

The City of Sheboygan has a newly adopted Urban Forestry Management Plan. The City's goal is to start planting 500 street trees a year.

STAFF COMMENTS:

At this time the City has 3,000 open street planting sights available. In the spring of this year 2016, EAB was found in the City. The UFM Plan projected that 5,000 Ash trees will die over the next four to six years. The planting of trees is crucial at this time to avoid furthering our Urban Forest deficiency.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Motion to recommend the Common Council refer to the Marina, Park & Forestry Commission and Public Works Committee to authorize the Superintendent of Parks and Forestry to apply for a cost-share grant from the Bay-Lake Regional Planning commission for the purpose of purchasing trees to be planted in the road right-of-way in the City of Sheboygan.

ATTACHMENTS:

- I. Resolution ___-16-17

III

Other Matters

8.4

R. O. No. 100 - 16 - 17. By CITY CLERK. September 6, 2016.

Submitting a communication from Joe Lamb, President of the Mid-Lake Softball Organization, requesting an agreement between the City of Sheboygan and the Wigg Brothers' Construction Company as they have expressed an interest in donating the entire cost of a new scoreboard for Wildwood Softball Complex.

Bd. Marina, Parks
& Forestry

+
Public Works

City Clerk

September 6th, 2016

To: Sheboygan Common Council, Please refer to Public Works and Parks Committees
Fr: Joe Lamb, President Mid-Lake Softball Organization
Re: Scoreboard donation

I am writing this letter to see if we can reach an agreement between the City of Sheboygan and the Wigg Brother's Construction Company.

The Wigg Brothers have expressed an interest in donating the entire cost of a new scoreboard for Wildwood Softball Complex. The cost of a new scoreboard is almost \$5,000.00. This includes the top advertising panel.

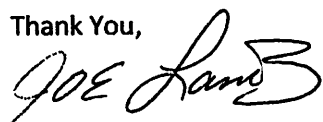
They are requesting that the City agrees to keep their name on the advertising panel for a minimum period of 10 years, possibly longer. They would like this agreement so that if the City changes providers for the softball program, the advertising remains the same.

The City's logo will also be a part of the panel and so will the MLSO. I will have a picture of the new scoreboard on Diamond 2, and will present them at the Committee Meetings. The space that we are referring to is the area that says "Scoreboard Courtesy of the players and sponsors". It would have Wigg Brothers referenced instead of players and sponsors.

If the City agrees to the terms, they are willing to issue us the MLSO a check to order the scoreboard. It could be delivered in time for a fall installation.

Please let me know the City's response.

Thank You,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "JOE Lamb". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "B" at the end.

Joe Lamb, President MLSO

VII

6.4

R. C. No. 186 - 16 - 17. By PUBLIC WORKS. October 3, 2016.

Your Committee to whom was referred R. C. No. 172-16-17 by Public to whom was referred Gen. Ord. No. 15-16-17 by Alderperson Belanger amending Section 74-63 of the City of Sheboygan Municipal Code entitled "Fire Control" so as to eliminate recreational fires on beaches; recommends that the documents be referred to the Board of Marina, Parks and Forestry.

*Refer to
Bd of Marina,
Parks & Forestry*

John Belanger
Billy A. Dale

Committee

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Committee Report was duly accepted and adopted by the Common Council of the City of Sheboygan, Wisconsin, on the _____ day of _____, 20____.

Dated _____ 20____. _____, City Clerk

Approved _____ 20____. _____, Mayor

IX

5.4

R. C. No. 172- 16 - 17. By PUBLIC WORKS. September 19, 2016.

Your Committee to whom was referred Gen. Ord. No. 15-16-17 by Alderperson Belanger amending Section 74-63 of the City of Sheboygan Municipal Code entitled "Fire Control" so as to eliminate recreational fires on beaches; recommends approving the Ordinance.

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P.W.
refer M, P & F.*

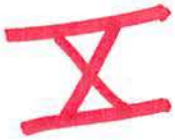
John B. [Signature]
James A. [Signature]
By: A. [Signature]

Committee

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Dated _____ 20____, _____, City Clerk

Approved _____ 20____, _____, Mayor



6.2

Gen. Ord. No. 15 - 16 - 17. By Alderperson Belanger. August 1, 2016.

AN ORDINANCE amending Section 74-63 of the City of Sheboygan Municipal Code entitled "Fire Control" so as to eliminate recreational fires on beaches.

THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHEBOYGAN DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 74-63 of the Sheboygan Municipal Code entitled "Fire Control" is amended so as to read as follows:

"Sec. 74-63. *Fire control.*

Fires shall be permitted in city parks and on city-owned property only under the following circumstances:

- (1) In metal grills in picnic areas;
- (2) As part of the officially sponsored activities of high schools within the city as set forth in section 50-182(10);
- (3) As otherwise permitted by the council; and
- (4) Except as specifically set forth above, all fires permitted in this section are further subject to the limitations on recreational bonfires set forth in section 50-182(6)."

Section 2. All ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and this ordinance shall be in effect from and after its passage and publication.

*Pat Belanger
approve*

John B. [Signature]

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Ordinance was duly passed by the Common Council of the City of Sheboygan, Wisconsin, on the ____ day of _____, 20____.

Dated _____ 20____. _____, City Clerk

Approved _____ 20____. _____, Mayor

CITY OF SHEBOYGAN

REQUEST FOR PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION

ITEM DESCRIPTION: Resolution Regarding a Request for Amending Section 74-63 of the City Municipal Code Entitled "Fire Control" so as to Eliminate Recreational Fires on Beaches.

REPORT PREPARED BY: Joseph L. Kerlin, Superintendent of Parks and Forestry

REPORT DATE: September 22, 2016

MEETING DATE: September 27, 2016

FISCAL SUMMARY:

Budget Line Item: N/A
Budget Summary: N/A
Budgeted Expenditure: N/A
Budgeted Revenue: N/A

STATUTORY REFERENCE:

Wisconsin Statutes: N/A
Municipal Code: 74-63

BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS:

Public Works, Fire Department and volunteers have worked hard to provide several fire pit rings to the public on the beaches of Lake Michigan since 2010. After closely monitoring this over the last two years, it has been determined that even with the guidelines set, there is an overabundance of hazardous garbage, nails, broken glass, burnt aluminum cans with sharp edges, buried burning wood, and the addition of tons of small charred wood that scatter the beach giving it an un-clean look.

This ordinance change was first introduced to the Public Works Committee on August 9, 2016. Several questions were asked by the committee with a motion to table and discuss again at the next meeting with representation from the Fire and Police department. This item was discussed again at the September 13, 2016 meeting. Below is a list of questions from the committee and answer from city staff.

- Has anything been done to improve the situation so fire rings can be kept?
Up until early 2015, the fire department staff would make an effort to clean the fire rings every week. After receiving several concerns from the city's fire companies, Fire Chief Mike Romas sent me a "Fire Ring Proposal" letter and asked to meet and discuss and implement the ideas on the proposal. This proposal is attached as well as the signs that were posted by each fire ring. The cleaning of the rings is now done by a volunteer group and signs are posted.

- Are fires allowed on the beach in areas other than the ring and is there a fine?
Fires are only allowed in designated fire rings. They are also allowed from 6pm – 10pm on the day that the fourth of July is celebrated and a fire permit can be obtained from the Fire Department for bigger events. The fines are posted on the signs with list of the rules. The first offense is \$187 and second is \$250.

- Are there other cities that allow fires on the beach?
The Attorney's office did a search of beaches in the area and found that fires are not allowed anywhere else except for the Town of Port Washington. Recreational fires including beach fires are allowed under certain conditions and the Sherriff's Department must be contacted first if fires are before or after sun set.
- Would it help to have a garbage can by each fire pit?
I do not feel that this would help in anyway in fact I believe it would add to the problem. The items of most concern are broken glass, nails, cans and tons of charred wood. Responsible users will carry in and carry out and use clean wood but the beach is still left with charred wood that pollutes the beach.
- Can we make people get a permit to use the fire rings?
Not only would this be an administration problem, the parks department would need an increase in staffing. I do not feel we would be able to hold users accountable. Also, people would continue use rings without a permit which brings us back to the same problem of not being able to enforce the set rules consistently.

At the September 13th Public Works Committee meeting, representatives from the Sheboygan Fire, Police and Public Works Department contributed their comments and concerns and asked that the fire rings be removed from the beaches and supported the ordinance change.

This recommendation was passed unanimously and presented to the Common Council on September 19th. The Council voted to return it to Public Works to be further discussed with some of the above questions being asked.

STAFF COMMENTS:

Providing fire pit rings along the beaches of Lake Michigan in 2010 was seen as a good thing for the community by the Fire and Public Works Department. Departments have posted signs with rules by each ring, asked for more enforcement and utilized volunteer groups to aid in the cleaning of the fire pit areas. Conditions have degraded each year and the beach areas around the rings are filling with hazardous debris. Lake Michigan has been allowed to be polluted, the Sheboygan River has been allowed to be polluted, do we want our beaches to also be polluted?

With that being said, the public has voiced concerns about the removal of the fire rings in different ways and I believe time can be taken to further listen to public concerns. I am suggesting that this agenda item be sent to the Marina, Parks and Forestry Board where public concerns can be heard at the October 4th, 2016 meeting.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Motion from the Public Works Committee to send R.C. 172-16-17 to the Marina, Parks and Forestry Commission for their review, allow public concerns to be heard and make a recommendation back to the Public Works Committee.

ATTACHMENTS:

- I. Fire Ring Proposal letter from Fire Chief Mike Romas
- II. Pictures of Fire Ring Sign and Fire Rings
- III. R.C. 172-16-17

Fire Ring Proposal

Several of my fire companies have recently brought concerns to me about the use and condition of our city's seven fire pits. This past Saturday, April 18th, a citizen living on top of the bluff above the North Side Beach called to report burning after hours. Sheboygan Police Department (SPD) Officer Matthew Heimrl responded and SFD Engine 1 with Lt. Roger Saeger also responded. Lt. Saeger reported to me that he witnessed 3 empty pickup trucks and a stack of 14 pallets, 2 doors, and at least one shelving unit in a pile ready to be burned.

In the past, SFD members have removed the following items from fire pit sites; pallets containing staples and nails, , doors, shelving units, syringes, pot pipes, condoms, glass bottles, metal cans, couches, chairs, golf clubs, air mattress, carpets, and AstroTurf to name a few.

I have the following recommendations to maintain and control the fire pits:

- 1) Increase burning enforcement on Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights. (SPD)
- 2) Install metal signs on heavy posts at each fire pit, between the road and the fire pit, with rules and regulations for burning. (DPW)
- 3) Increase the number of times the beach sanitizer/cleaner comes through each beach. (DPW)
- 4) Allow the organization responsible for cleaning to pile/stack fire pit debris along the road for pick up by the Department of Public Works at a specified time. (DPW)
- 5) It is my recommendation to end the Sheboygan fire department (SFD) cleaning the 7 fire rings along the City of Sheboygan beaches. I recommend transferring the cleaning of the pits to another responsible organization. The city could form a community partnership with a volunteer or youth organization to clean and maintain the fire rings, similar to the state's "adopt a highway" program. (SFD)

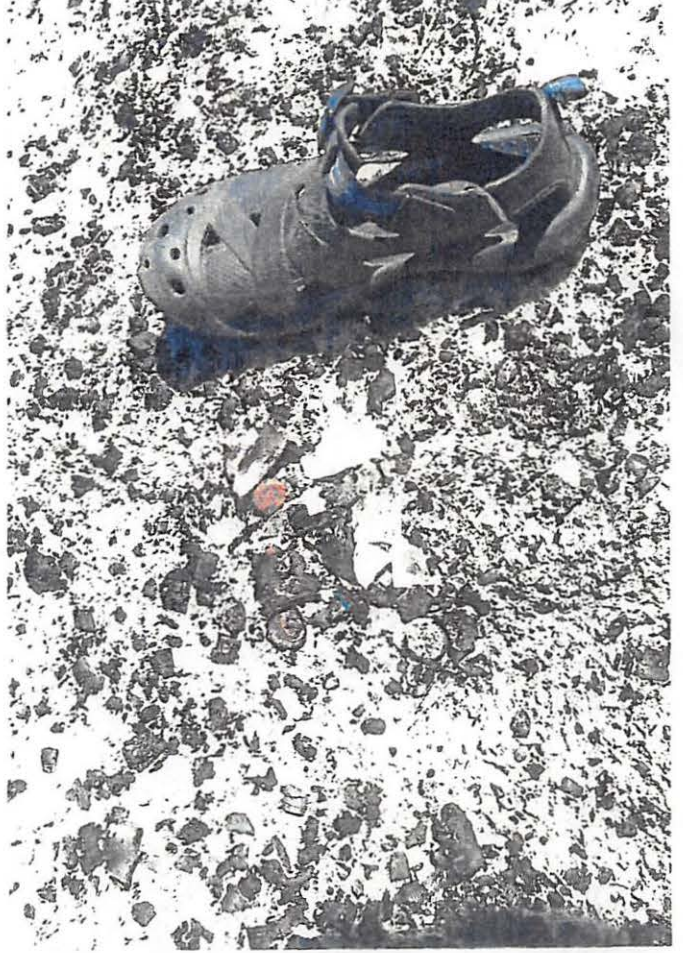
I feel that proper signage will go a long way to solve the above issues.

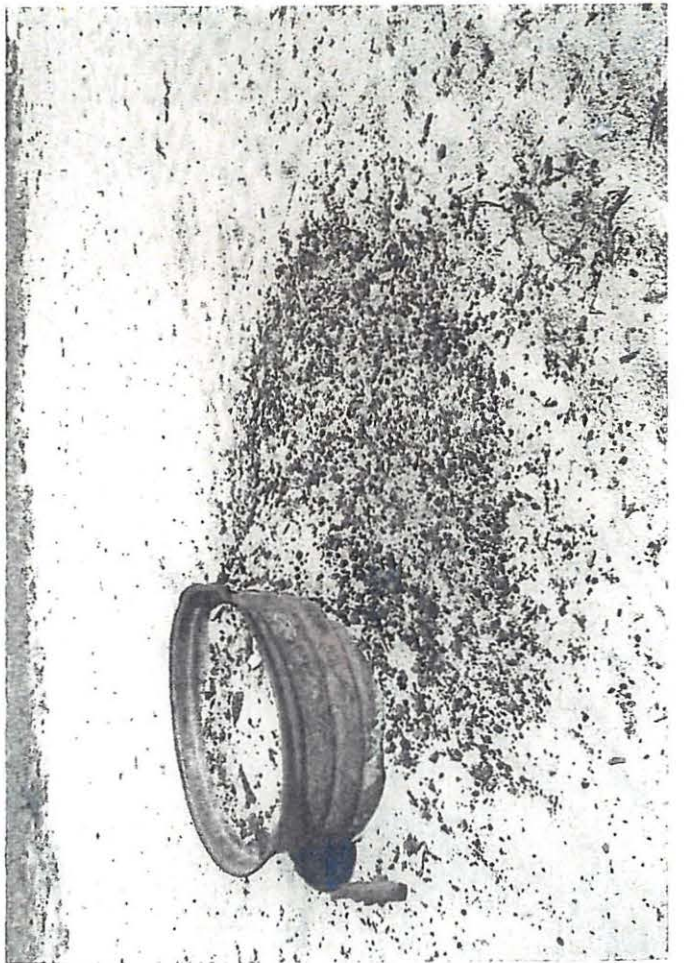
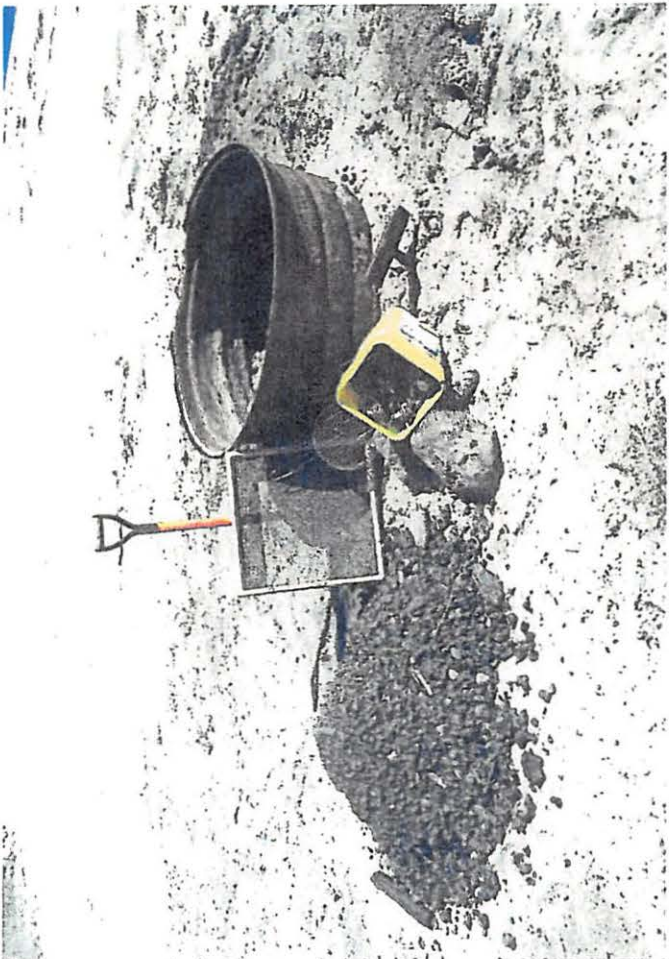
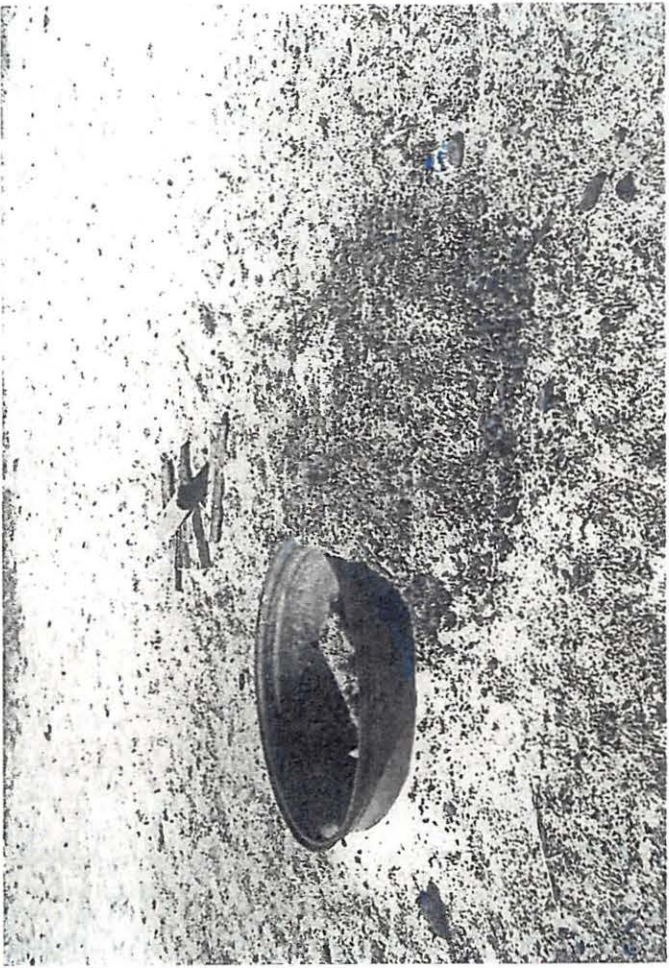


FIRE RING USE

- No Pallets or Furniture
- Clean fire wood, No nails
- No flammable liquids
- Extinguish with water
- No glass containers
- Fuel height, less than 18"
- Contain fire in ring
- Supervise at all times
- Extinguish fire by 11:00pm
- No alcohol on beach
- Use fire ring at own risk

City Ord Sec. 74-63
\$187 fine - 1st Offense
\$250 fine - 2nd Offense





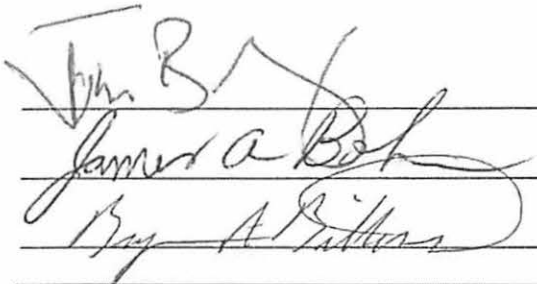
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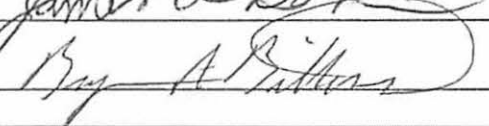
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Committee

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Pub-works approve

John B. [Signature]

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Approved _____ 20____. _____, Mayor

Community Input Meeting

Fire Rings on Beaches

10/26/2016

1. History – Handout
 - a. Staff Comments
 1. King Park’s fire ring will be moved to Deland for enforcement purposes
 2. Fire rings will be placed on beach from Memorial Day to Labor Day Weekend
 3. Enforcement needs to be in place and strictly enforced with fines
 4. A volunteer group should be formed and responsible for picking up trash and sifting out charred wood. This will be placed in bins provided along Broughton Drive and Parks Department will remove Mondays and Fridays. This needs to include any fires made out of the rings.
2. Items that need to be answered for the MPF Committee to recommend keeping rings
 - a. Enforcement
 1. Possible beach patrol during high use times, Friday and Saturday 7pm to 11pm
 2. Fire permits required vs no permits required
 3. Citizen call-ins to PD
 - b. Cleaning of rings and other fire area
 - c. Responsible department - Parks
3. Ideas for cleaning of fire rings
4. Other comments