



TOWN OF HUDSON

Benson Park Committee



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Benson Park Committee
Meeting Minutes
October 18, 2012

1. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Benson Committee was called to order Vice Chair J. Barnes at 7:03 p.m. Oct. 18, 2012, in the Ann Seabury Room, at the Hudson Police Station with P. Nichols leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Attendance:

Vice Chair J. Barnes, A. Desrosiers, D. Empey, C Gagnon, John Leone, P. Nichols, N. Undercofler, Alternate R. Alio
Excused: D. Briand, Chair H. Schibanoff
Absent: Selectman Liaison B. Nadeau

3. Public Input

None

4. Presentations

None

5. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of October 4, 2012, with one correction

A. Desrosiers made a Motion to accept minutes with correction

N. Undercofler second the Motion

All in favor-Motion Carries

6. Work Shop

A. Budget update

Vice Chair J. Barnes gave an update on the budget that was brought before the BOS. A few questions were asked in regard to the portable toilets, but otherwise, the budget was approved to be sent to the Budget Committee. A. Desrosiers asked where the fuel that we use comes from. Vice Chair J. Barnes said it came from the Highway Department in the past but it should, in reality, be from our budget. D. Empey told the committee that we use fuel for the brush mower, volunteers using own equipment, etc. His explanation answered all committee member questions. Vice Chair J. Barnes picked up expenses for the month but didn't make many copies so members will share them for this meeting. The first three (3) pages are a summary of the two (2) accounts. The last two (2) pages show specific charges for September. This shows left over money for Park Maintenance expense in the spring. Questions were asked and answered to the satisfaction of the committee.

B. Projects

J. Leone asked if the monies donated by the Eagle Scouts to the building committee could be used for up-coming projects this winter and spring. Vice Chair J. Barnes thought it could be used but did not know how to access it at this time.

J. Leone spoke about the Friends of Benson Park future asbestos Mitigation Plan. R. Tassi showed an architectural plan for the inside of the Elephant Barn. He spoke about the asbestos removal also. Most of the asbestos has been removed and there may be small pockets left at this time. They are hoping to bring in more donations to close of the back room and start construction on the front half with approval from BOS and asbestos removal. They will be documenting all work and plans for the future. If Insurance and License Contractor of the State were shown, the project could go forward. Discussion followed about who would be responsible in paying for the asbestos removal. This went on for quite a while with no conclusion. The Friends of Benson Park will return with a Plan (A or B) to the next Committee Meeting and we will decide how we can show our approval of this endeavor. J. Leone also reported on the following Building Committee related plans:

1. Work on Office Building discussed to repair windows, sills, level building, etc. just to keep building from further deterioration
2. Replace windows in back of office and replace rotten wood sills.
3. Expend up to \$600 for electrical work using track lighting, done by a licensed (in New Hampshire) Electrician
4. Repair and replace Picnic Tables that are unsafe and add more for the park.

C. Gagnon made a motion to expend no more than \$600 for electrical work in the Office Building

P. Nichols second the Motion

All in favor-Motion Carries

Other Business/Remarks by Committee Members

The next meeting of the Benson Park Committee will take place on November 4, 2012 Buxton Community Development Room at 7:00 pm.

Adjournment: 8:51 pm

C. Gagnon made a Motion to adjourn

N. Undercofler second the motion

All in favor-Motion Carries