



# TOWN OF HUDSON

## Benson Park Committee

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### Minutes

February 15, 2018 – 7:00pm

HCTV Center, 19 Kimball Hill Road, Hudson, NH 03051

Downstairs Meeting Room

1. **Call to Order** at 7:00 P.M.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance** was led by Ann Desrosiers.
3. **Attendance: Ralph Alio, Chairman Jim Barnes, Ann Desrosiers, Dick Empey, John Leone, and Jack Madden**

Excused: Dave Morin and Paula Hubert

Absent: Mark Boulger

4. **Public Input** – Carolyn Goodwin came before the committee to report a dog biting incident at the Dog Park and to seek assistance in following the proper channels for reporting such incident. A suggestion was made to contact Jana McMillan, Animal Control Officer, for clarification and her follow-up. The committee will also pursue the matter.

5. **Approval of Minutes**

Dick made a motion to accept the Minutes of **Jan. 11, 2018**; seconded by Jack:  
All in Favor.

Ralph made a motion to accept the Minutes of **Jan. 18, 2018**; seconded by Dick:  
All in Favor.

Ralph made a motion to accept the Minutes of **Feb. 1, 2018**; seconded by Dick:  
Five (5) Yays    One (1) Abstention

6. **Old Business**

- a. **Restroom Project Warrant Article**

The Budget Committee re-voted on the article with 6 in favor and 4 nays. The Deliberative Session offered input for a Family Style/ADA facility which could be investigated for consideration in the final plans.

- b. **Master Plan Update – Next Steps**

Updates are needed for the costs on the Haselton Barn. Except for fine tuning on some aspects of the Master Plan, it is almost 90% pretty whole. There has been no contact from a structural analysis or Steve Bedard; we will reach out to other contractors.

Jack will be contacting the Department of Environmental Services for the Train Station possible asbestos assessment and cost of remediation.

**c. Security Update**

Coming Soon

**7. New Business**

**a. Volunteer Parking Permits**

Joe Undercofler and Jack Madden will be added to the list.

**b. Park Projects for 2018**

\*Dick and Paula will coordinate efforts in locating areas throughout the park for shade trees.

\*The Remote Car Area will be transformed into a shady picnic area.

\*Make a list of locations for the placement of Picnic Tables.

\*Clean up waste and organize materials (Loam, Mulch, etc.) at the lower end of the main parking lot; make walls using the large boulders.

**c. Collecting Park Usage Data**

A Traffic Monitor was discussed as a means to gather numbers for park visitors. Visitor numbers could vary depending upon time of year. Surveys were also mentioned as a possible way to discover high interest points in the park. One comment was – it was an admirable idea, but with a random check we could miss a lot of information.

**d. Date for Park Walk-thru**

The committee will wait until the April meeting to decide upon a date.

**8. Other Business/Remarks by Committee Members**

**a. Next meeting date – March 1, 2018**

The Cardboard Sled Race has been postponed due to lack of snow.

Alvirne High School has been contacted to participate in the Artists Day at the Park.

**9. Adjournment** at 7:56 P.M.

Dick made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by John; All in Favor