



# TOWN OF HUDSON

## Benson Park Committee

Jim Barnes, Chairman      David Morin, Selectmen Liaison



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Oct. 5, 2017 – 7:00pm  
HCTV Center, 19 Kimball Hill Road, Hudson, NH 03051  
Downstairs Meeting Room

### Minutes

1. **Call to Order** at 7:02 P.M.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance** was led by Paula Hubert.
3. **Attendance: Ralph Alio, Jim Barnes, Ann Desrosiers, Dick Empey, Paula Hubert, John Leone, and Dave Morin**  
Excused – Mark Boulger and Jack Madden  
Absent Ben Nadeau  
Resigned – Jeremy Griffus
4. **Public Input - None**
5. **Approval of Minutes**  
**John made a motion to accept the Minutes from the September 7, 2017 meeting; Dick seconded the motion. All in Favor – 6; Abstentions – 1.**  
  
**Dick made a motion to accept the Minutes from the September 21, 2017; Ralph seconded the motion. All in Favor - 4 Abstentions – 3.**
6. **Old Business**
  - a. **Restroom Project – Sub-committee Report**

The sub-committee presented its list of Specifications for the Restroom Facility. The next step will be to receive bids from contractors for the specifications and design plans. (Modifications will possibly be needed for our drawing plans.) We will await the Design and Build estimates. An RFP will be required to cover the costs of electricity, sewer, and water to the facility – and the cost of a second contractor. All these costs (such as 1<sup>st</sup> year operational costs, maintenance, etc.) will be included in one Warrant Article.  
*(Board of Selectmen meeting on Oct. 10, 2017 – a recommendation was made that now is not the time to request bids for the restroom project.)*

**Ralph made a motion to compensate the original architect of the bathroom project for \$750.00. John seconded the motion. All in Favor – 6; one abstention.**

**b. Office Building Sill Restoration**

The Committee has been awarded \$9000 from the Moose Grant. The Board of Selectmen will be meeting Oct. 10, 2017 to formally accept the grant. Additional paperwork will need to be fulfilled. Contractor, Peter Ripaldi, will be contacted shortly to arrange a work schedule. The State of NH will be visiting the site to inspect the completion of the project..

**c. Master Plan** – review project discussion

Discussion will continue on the Master Plan at our next meeting. The Committee will review Jack's notes from our September 21<sup>st</sup> meeting and move onward.

**7. New Business**

**a. FY19 Budget Request**

A recommendation was made to increase the costs for the Portable Toilets to \$10,000.

An inquiry will be made regarding the remaining funds from the Warrant Article.

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

\*The YMCA group will be attending our Oct. 21<sup>st</sup> Clean-up.

\*The Chairman received a letter from a park visitor complaining about high speed bicyclists endangering pedestrians on the hiking trails.

\*The "Bear Bridge" section on the playground equipment has been ordered. The section should be covered under a 10 year warranty. The Committee will be following the matter closely.

\*A Boy Scout will be presenting his project to implement markers/ signs throughout the park for emergency services to locate park visitors in need of services.

\*Discussions and investigations concerning Haselton Barn will continue. A structural analysis is needed, and the committee will explore available resources.

\*Liberty Utilities will be sending 15 staff members to volunteer work efforts at the park. Dick will coordinate the weekday project.

a. Next meeting date – October 19, 2017 (not televised)

b. Volunteer cleanup – October 21, 2017

**9. Adjournment at 7:47 P.M.**

**John made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Paula seconded the motion; All in Favor.**