



TOWN OF HUDSON

Benson Park Committee

Jim Barnes, Chairman David Morin, Selectmen Liaison



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July 20, 2017 – 7:00pm
HCTV Center, 19 Kimball Hill Road, Hudson, NH 03051
Downstairs Meeting Room

Minutes

1. **Call to Order at 7:05 P.M.**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance led by Paula Hubert**
3. **Attendance: Jim Barnes, Dick Empey, Jeremy Griffus, Paula Hubert, Ann Desrosiers, and John Leone,**

Excused – Dave Morin and Ralph Alio

Absent – Ben Nadeau

Resigned – Shawn Jasper

The TV audience was made aware that a committee member's and an alternate's positions were open on the committee.

4. **Public Input**

Jack Madden – listed under **Old Business**

Fire Chief Robert Buxton and Fire Prevention Ofc, Steve Dube – listed under **New Business**

5. **Approval of Minutes**

Dick made a motion to approve the minute of July 6, 2017; Paula seconded the motion. All in Favor – 4; Abstentions - 2

6. **Old Business**

- a. Meeting with the Board of Selectmen has been scheduled for August 1, 2017. Several committee members will be attending the workshop session.
- b. Project Updates
*Jack Madden came before the committee to provide updates on the asbestos testing required on the **Train Station**. The Town Engineer, Elvis Dhima, has also suggested that lead paint testing should be conducted. Mr. Madden will meet with Peter Michaud of the DHR in early August and hopes to speak to him on July 31st when the Council visits the park. Since the town is the owner of the Train Station, it should be contacted regarding the asbestos testing. Mr. Madden will appear at the BOS Workshop to on August 1st to present his proposal to the board. Meanwhile he will contact the NH Department of Environmental Services to learn if there is a recommended listing of vendors for asbestos testing.

It was suggested that Steve Bedard be contacted for his input. John Leone will check his records for payments made a few years ago for the cost of asbestos removal from the Elephant Barn.

*John Leone made a motion to propose Phase One of the Electricity Project at the Board of Selectmen's meeting on August 1st for discussion and put out to bid for \$7,298.00; seconded by Jeremy; All in favor

*Marc Gagnon of Eversource had submitted an estimate of \$4,016.75 to run an underground primary from the existing pole on Kimball Hill Rd. to the northeast end of the Train Station, install a pad mount transformer, and run services to the Train Station and Office/Kitchen. To run primary from the new transformer and add new transformer at the Gorilla House comes to \$8,485.00.

- c. Master Plan – next steps
A suggestion was offered to present a comparison and contrast report between what was detailed in the Master Plan of 2002 and what activities/projects have been carried out in the park since 2009.

7. New Business

- a. KnoxBox proposal
Steve Dube and Robert Buxton of the Hudson Fire Department came before the committee to propose the installation of a KnoxBox on the pedestal which houses the keypad for the electronic gate into the park. The purpose of the box is to allow emergency agents access to keys and combinations to enter various buildings in the park. Steve Dube will contact Jim about the cost for the box which will come from our operating budget. The Highway Department should be able to perform the installation.
- b. Budget and Spending
Updates were provided.

8. Other Business/Remarks by Committee Members

The replacement for the sign at The Shoe will be addressed.

The locations of trash bins will be identified.

- a. Next meeting date – Aug. 3
- b. Volunteer cleanup – August 19

9. Adjournment at 7:56 P.M.

John made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Paula: All in Favor