

TOWN OF HUDSON

Benson Park Committee

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Meeting Minutes

June 15, 2017 – 7:00pm HCTV Center, 19 Kimball Hill Road, Hudson, NH 03051 Downstairs Meeting Room

- 1. Call to Order at 7:01 P.M.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ann Desrosiers
- Attendance Ralph Alio, Jim Barnes, Ann Desrosiers, Dick Empey, Jeremy Griffus, , John Leone, and Dave Morin Excused: Joe Undercofler, Ben Nadeau, and Paula Hubert Absent: Shawn Jasper
- 4. Public Input None

5. Approval of Minutes

Minutes for May 18, 2017 Jeremy made a motion to accept the minutes; seconded by Ralph. All in favor.

Minutes for June 1, 2017 Jeremy made a motion to accept the minutes; seconded by John. All in favor

6. Old Business

Project updates

*Race track restoral

Kevin Burns would not be able to start the project until next year. This topic has been deferred until our Workshop Meeting in August.

*Restroom Facility

At the Board of Selectmen's Meeting on June 13, 2017 questions were raised about responsibilities and roles for the facility. A Workshop Meeting will be schedule in August between the Board and the Committee for further discussion. Committee members will read over the <u>Master Plan</u> to determine goals and expectations for the park over the next 5 to 10 years. The committee will also take inventory of completed projects, Adopt-a-Spots, and park activities. A subcommittee (Dave, Ralph and Dick) was formed to list what needs to be done at the park.

It has been suggested that a "Design to Build" proposal for the restroom facility would be the best route to pursue.

Benson Park has evolved at a rapid pace. Plans should be directed for updating the Master Plan and where we go from here.

*Utilities

The <u>Sewer</u> System has been completed. <u>Water</u> is very close to completion. <u>Electricity</u> will be installed to connect the Office to the Elephant Barn. An RFP for \$4,298 plus trenching will be filed shortly. Discussions with Eversource will begin to determine how we meet the standards, 100 or 200 amp service, and possibility of connecting to other structures in the future. The emphasis was "to do right the first time."

Gas – Liberty Utilities will bring in the line at no cost to 4 buildings. The Warrant Article for Phase 1 did not include gas. Discussions to follow.

*Office building

No updates at this time

7. New Business

*Correspondence

Solar Panels for the Elephant Barn will require more information. The Portable Toilets have been reported as being unsanitary and vandalized.

*Playground Bumblebee Repair

John made a motion to purchase one spring for the Bumble Bee apparatus for \$250; seconded by Dick; All on favor

8. Other Business/Remarks by Committee Members

- HPD has begun Direct Patrol in the park
- Skateboarders continue to abuse the decking at the Train Station.
- The FoBP were very pleased with their first concert at the park and hope to sponsor more entertainment throughout the summer.
- Mal's Pals will be installing the Mallory Gray plaque at the amphitheater this summer and eventually will present the gift at an upcoming Board of Selectmen's meeting.
 - A. Next meeting date July 6
 - B. Volunteer cleanup June 17

9. Adjournment

John made a motion to close the meeting; seconded by Dick: All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:12 P.M.