

TOWN OF HUDSON

Benson Park Committee



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Town of Hudson Benson Park Committee **Meeting Minutes** May 7, 2015

1. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Benson Park Committee was called to order by "acting" Chair J. Barnes at 8:00 P.M., May 7, 2015 at the Hudson Community Television Access Center.

2. Attendance:

R. Alio, Chair J. Barnes, A. Desrosiers, D. Empey, J. Leone, Selectman Liaison P. Nichols, and Alternate J. Griffus

Excused: S. Kancharla and S. Jasper Absent: K. Bowen and C. Cummings

The Committee members arrived at Benson Park at 6:30 P.M. for a Walk Through to comply a list of projects which should be addressed over the next several months.

3. Public Input - None

4. Old Business

Fifth Year Anniversary Update

J. Leone (Friends of Benson Park) updated the committee on the plans for the anniversary celebration which will be held Saturday, May 30, 2015 between the hours of 1:00 and 4:00 P.M. The Friends have been busy within the community and surrounding areas contacting groups and organizations to lend support in providing a fun-filled afternoon for our 5 year anniversary. Musical entertainment, raffles, give-aways, children's activities, water, popcorn have been scheduled, and over the next couple of weeks the Friends will continue to recruit sponsors. This celebration will hopefully inform the public about opportunities to be involved with park activities, sub-committees, and volunteering, Advertising for the event will be viewed by signage, Facebook, Hudson Community Television ads, and NH.com. The Hudson Police will also be contacted about the day's event.

5. New Business

A. Walk Through

After compiling a list of priorities for future projects D. Empey will contact Kevin Burns to determine if certain projects deemed beyond the volunteers' capabilities can be scheduled with the Highway Department. Selectman Liaison P. Nichols requested a copy of the list in the event questions arose from the Highway Department.

B. Elections

Selectman Liaison P. Nichols made a motion to elect J. Barnes as the <u>Chair for the Benson Park Committee</u>.

J.Leone Second the motion.

All in favor - Motion carried unanimously

R. Alio made a motion to elect D. Empey as <u>Vice Chair</u> for the Benson Park Committee.

J. Griffus Second the motion.

All in favor - Motion carried unanimously.

D. Empey made a motion to elect A. Desrosiers as <u>Clerk</u> for the Benson Park Committee.

Selectman Liaison P. Nichols Second the motion.

All in favor - Motion carried unanimously.

C. Absences

D. Empey made a motion to remove any member for 3 consecutive unexcused absences.

R. Alio second the motion.

All in favor - Motion carried unanimously.

D. Empey would like clarification from the Board of Selectmen as to the definition of an excused absence.

5. Other Business

Projects — with 6 weeks remaining until the end of this budget year, specific park projects were identified. At the Old Shoe area - the broken and uneven pavement needs to be replaced. A fence in front of the Gorilla House would be beneficial in directing foot traffic from the grassy areas. The Swan Lake outlet is in need of medium sized boulders. Additional materials to be purchased are 10 bags of cement, paint, brushes, and small tools.

Next Meeting – June 4, 2015

Adjourment 9:15 P.M.
J. Leone made a Motion to Adjourn
Selectman Liaison P. Nichols Second the Motion
All in favor – Motion Carries