TOWN OF HUDSON

Benson Park Committee



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Town of Hudson Benson Park Committee Meeting Minutes January 3, 2013

1. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Benson Park Committee was called to order by Chair H. Schibanoff at 7:00 p.m. January 3, 2013, Ann Seabury Room, Police Station

2. Attendance:

Vice Chair J. Barnes, A. Desrosiers, D. Empey, C Gagnon, John Leone, Selectman Liaison B. Nadeau, P. Nichols, Chair H. Schibanoff, N. Undercofler, Alternate D. Briand Excused: R. Alio,

3. Public Input

Jim Grey, the Contractor doing the roof of the Old Shoe, made a suggestion to the Committee about volunteering to plow from the Handicap area in the Historical District, down Benson Boulevard and around Swan Lake for people to walk. This has been discussed in the past and with all liabilities, etc., it has not been feasible. After many questions and answers, it was decided by the Committee that this not something to be addressed at this time.

4. Presentations

- A. Linda Kipnes-Butterfly Garden Award No Show
- **B.** Beth Baker Old Shoe issues No Show
- **C. Jim Grey** asked for a recommendation from the Committee to the BOS to replace the roof over the Old Shoe. He has strict Policy and Liability Insurance. After much discussion this has the support of the Committee and a recommendation will be sent to the BOS.

5. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of December 6, 2012, with correction

N. Undercofler made a Motion to accept minutes C. Gagnon second the Motion Motion Carries

6. Old Business

A. Office Update

J. Barnes said he made copies of the repairs to be done as a first step in updating the Office Building. He promised to send a copy to everyone on the Committee. He also let the committee know of grants that are available from DHR in the amount of \$10,000-there are 3 to 5 awarded every year and he will be looking into this.

B. Train Station Update

Selectman Liaison B. Nadeau stated at this time the Train Station is at a standstill. No progress has been made on this at the moment.

C. Dog Park Update

D. Briand said he has been checking on the dog park often and thanks those that cleanup after their dogs. He reminded everyone that this is a rule posted so those that bring their dog to the park should be aware of this.

7. New Business

A. Current Issues in Park

Empey spoke about posts being broken or pulled from the ground. This seems to be an ongoing issue that needs to be addressed soon.

Chair H. Schibanoff said he thought a Review of the past year should be discussed. Many remarks were made and this will be discussed in length at a later date.

7. Other Business/Remarks by Committee Members

Empey stated that Ordinance Issues should be resolved. Signs should be updated and building signs should be discussed.

Desrosiers reminded the committee of the upcoming cardboard Dog Sled Race to benefit the Amphitheater, to be built in memory of Mallory Gray. This event will take place January, 27 ,2013 at Benson Park at 11:00 am. All are invited to participated or attend.

Chair H. Schibanoff would also like to update the listing of projects that Eagle Scout candidates could work on.

Adjournment: 8:05 pm

C. Gagnon made a Motion to adjourn P. Nichols second the motion All in favor-Motion Carries

The next meeting of the Park Committee will take place on February 7, 2013 Buxton Community Development Room at Town Hall at 7:00 pm.