



TOWN OF HUDSON

Benson Park Committee

Harry Schibanoff, Chairman

Benjamin Nadeau, Selectmen Liaison



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Meeting Minutes June 7, 2012

1. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Benson Committee was called to order by Chair Harry Schibanoff at 7:10 p.m. June 7, 2012 in the Buxton Community Development Room at Town Hall with the Pledge of Allegiance led by John Leone.

2. Attendance:

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

3. Public Input

None

4. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of May 17, 2012

J. Barnes made a motion to accept Minutes of May 17, 2012

D. Briand Second the Motion

One abstention- Motion Carried

5. Old Business

A. Rules and Signs

P. Nichols made a motion to accept Park Rules as discussed at last meeting.

J. Leone second the motion

All in favor-Motion Carries

A sign for the Old Shoe is needed. This will be tabled until a later date.

B. Roping of Areas

Chair H. Schibanoff asked if anyone had information on the hydro-seeded area near the playground. Selectman B. Nadeau said that the Highway Dept. was leaving this area as is. The grass seems to be growing. C. Gagnon said she visited the park before the meeting and the only area roped off was above the playground and the area nearest the Gorilla House is no longer roped off. The consensus of the Committee at this time is to leave it as is.

C. Update on Trail Grant

Chair H. Schibanoff asked D. Empey on an update of Trail Grant. D. Empey said that this grant was renewed for one (1) year. Vice Chair J. Barnes asked

what funds were left in this Grant. D. Empey thought it was approximately \$21,000.

6. New Business

A. Financials

Chair H. Schibanoff made available the financials through May. The budget ends June 30, 2012 and he wanted everyone to know what was available at this time. Chair H. Schibanoff said he has a question for Selectman Liaison B. Nadeau. We are confused about the payment of the sewer line, electric line, and gas line to the Gorilla House after the Train Station is moved. That was included in this budget to be done. Chair H. Schibanoff was told by Town Engineer G. Webster, that this money is now part of the Trail Grant. Chair H. Schibanoff asked if this was a true statement. Selectman Liaison B. Nadeau said he was not sure at this time but would look into it. Chair H. Schibanoff asked if he should encumber these funds. Selectman Liaison B. Nadeau said he should encumber the funds. Chair H. Schibanoff asked how we should go about this. Selectman Liaison B. Nadeau said to inform the Finance Department about this and to inform them that this could be done in the fall. If the money is not allowed to be encumbered it would go into surplus. On a related item, regarding the services of an Archeologist from the State when we move the Train Station, should we try to encumber that too? Selectman Liaison B. Nadeau said it this was a part of the project it should be encumbered too. Chair H. Schibanoff will talk to the Finance Department on this.

B. Request for Additional Tools

C. Gagnon requested additional tools to be purchased during the next fiscal year not to exceed \$1,000. Chair H. Schibanoff asked if tools have been missing. C. Gagnon said that once in a while a tool is left in the park but it is found and returned. C. Gagnon gave a listing of some of the tools that would be needed in the future. She will do an inventory of the tools that we have and keep a listing of what is purchased in the future.

C. Gagnon made a motion to purchase tools not to exceed \$1,000

N. Undercofler second the motion

All in favor-Motion Carries

C. Workshops in the Park

Chair H. Schibanoff said that during the summer months, the meetings are dealing with issues in the park and he felt that once a month we meet at the park in the Office Building for a workshop. If an area in the park is the topic for discussion it would be easier to walk to that area. He thought that having our second meeting of the month in the park during July and August would be feasible.

P. Nichols made a motion that the second meeting of the month of the Benson Committee be a workshop meeting to be held at the park in the Office Building for July and August.

C. Gagnon second the motion

Selectman Liaison B. Nadeau said he thought it would be a good idea to extend this meeting through September.

P. Nichols amended her motion to hold the second Benson Park Committee Meetings of the month to be workshop meetings from June through September

C. Gagnon second the motion

All in favor-Motion Carries

D. Attorney's Opinion

Chair H. Schibanoff sent the Committee an opinion regarding vendors selling ice cream, etc. in the parking lot at Benson Park. He said he thought this was in violation of the Deed. Selectman Liaison B. Nadeau said that a sign at the entrance stating the rule would be good. P. Nichols said that this is already in the rules listing but Selectman Liaison B. Nadeau said that the vendors would not be at the Kiosk reading the rules.

E. CPR/AED Training

Chair H. Schibanoff received an email from Town Hall in regards to CPR/AED Training. If anyone is interested in this or has questions, please contact Donna in the BOS office. Selectman Liaison B. Nadeau said that eventually an AED box be placed in the park, due to the amount of people coming to enjoy the park or attending special events. This will be looked into further. Selectman Liaison B. Nadeau said that if the Committee wanted to take this training as a group, it could be arraigned.

7. Other Business/Remarks by Committee Members

A. **C. Gagnon** said the next clean-up date will be June 9, 2012 from 9:00am to 2:00pm, with rain date of June 10, 2012.

J. Leone requested a gallon or so of paint to touch-up the old shoe

Chair H. Schibanoff announced the next meeting will be held on June 21, 2012 at 7:00 pm at the Office Building at Benson Park.

Adjournment: 7:31 pm

N. Undercofler made a motion to adjourn

C. Gagnon second the motion

All in favor-Motion Carries