



TOWN OF HUDSON

Benson Park Committee

Richard Empey, Chairman David Morin, Selectmen Liaison



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Committee Minutes

Date: 06/16/2022- 7:00pm

Location: HCTV Meeting Room, 19 Kimball Hill Road, Hudson, NH

- **Call to Order:** at 7:02 pm by Vice-Chairman Ralph Alio
- **Pledge of Allegiance by:** Judy Brouillette
- **Attendance:** Ralph Alio, John Leone, Selectman David S. Morin, Nancie Caron, Sarah Petkiewicz, and Judith Brouillette
Excused: John Madden
Absent:
- **Public Input:**
none
- **Approval of minutes:**

Postponed May 2022 minutes until the next meeting.
- **Old Business:**
 - A. The Haselton Barn Roof update - Board of Selectman approved the funds for the recent bid of a local contractor to complete the roof. It will be started as soon as possible.
 - B. Park Fee Discussion: After much discussion, a proposal to charge a fee for usage of the A Frame, and Gazebo location. Motioned from John Leone and 2nd by Judy Brouillette Passed 5/0
 - C. There are still 3 vacancies for the Benson's Park Committee.
 - D. Funding for the removal of asbestos in the Train Station was proposed to use the Capital Reserve Funds up to \$5000. Motioned by Ralph Alio 2nd by John Leone Passed 5/0

- **New Business:**

A. Trash Barrels - Judy Brouillette is concerned by the amount of overflowing trash at the bins. John Leone noticed a significant amount as well. Selectman David Morin stated that there will be moving bins around and placing more by the playground area to help with the overflow of trash.

B. Chalk Writing:

Ms. Brouillette discussed the amount of chalk writing all over the gorilla house and on the mural. It does not get washed off by the rain and mural is starting to get ruined from wear and tear plus some vandalism. Mr. Alio stated people are writing in different areas in the park as well. A Boy Scout troop will have some of their members come on Monday to wash it off but how can we prevent in the future? It was suggested that a volunteer artist could possibly fix the vandalized mural and have it sealed afterwards. Selectman Morin stated there is a sealant that can be used that they use on bridges to protect permanent damage - he will look into that piece. Ms Brouillette will look into local artist to see if they would like to volunteer their services.

C. Covered Bridge - Selectman Morin stated this past week there was an issue of a floor board and when staff came out to fix it they noticed underneath that it had deteriorated so much that they needed it to be closed immediately. They will be blocking it off.

- **Calendar:**

- a. Next Meeting scheduled for July 21, 2022
- b. Volunteer Clean Up - June 18, 2022 - Mr. Alio stated they will need help with someone organizing the pizza this week. Ms. Caron stated she can do it.

- **Other Business/Remarks by Committee Members**

Mr. Leone stated the Friends of Benson's concert was well received and the group stated they wanted to reserve the Saturday after graduation every year.

Ms. Petkiewicz stated she is very excited to be here and to help out with this park.

- **Motion to Adjourn by:** John Leone **Second by:** Nancie Caron
Passes unanimously and meeting adjourned at 7:47 pm.