

Town of Sanbornton ~ Recreation Commission~ Meeting Minutes

January 10th, 2017 ~ 7:00 p.m. ~ DPW Garage

Members: Tracy Wood – Chair, Marc Cray, Heather Goodwin, Joel Smith, and Karen Ober-Selectmen Representative

Present: Tracy Wood – Chair, Marc Cray, Joel Smith, Heather Goodwin, Selectmen Rep. Karen Ober.

Non-members: Tracy Seavey, Julie Presher, and Coordinator Lonergan

Meeting opened at 7:12pm.

Meeting Minutes: A motion was made by Cray and seconded by Goodwin to accept the meeting minutes as read with corrections for the November 8, 2016. The motion passed with Selectmen Ober abstaining.

Financials: Monthly financials sheets were reviewed for November & December. Lonergan updated that she had met with the BOS to review the 2017-18 Recreation budget. The total of the budget submitted was \$115,150.00. The BOS made adjustments to the budget and reduced the budget by \$4,729 to \$110,423. The Commission repays 50% of the total budget, therefore \$55,212 will be the anticipated amount of money returned to the town from the NLF. Significant cuts were \$2000 for cameras at the Town Park, \$750 on professional services, and \$1,559 for extra staff coverage.

Dinner Dance Fundraiser: Goodwin updated the Commission on the status of the Dinner Dance to be held at Steele Hill Resort on Saturday, March 18th. The J Street Band is reserved. Bill Cutillo has greatly reduced the cost of this event so it will be a fabulous fundraiser. The event has been moved from the Carriage House to the Main Lodge. The food will consist of an Italian buffet, with coffee and cookies. Goodwin said we can have 50 couples or 100 guest. Goodwin asked that everyone sell ten tickets and to promote the fundraiser. Goodwin stated that she would not sign the contract if the event was not supported.

Lonergan brought up the discussion that she was informed that if we are raising for a specific thing like a building that a trust fund would be needed. Lonergan also said that it was her understanding that the BOS would have to approve the fundraiser. Ober agreed that the money should go into a trust fund however she was not sure how that would-be setup and when one could be set up. Ober indicated she would support a trust fund. Smith asked Ober if all the money needed for the building was raised would the BOS support the building at the Town Park. Ober said she could not answer for the BOS. Ober stated she wished that more input was received from the Commission. Goodwin asked Ober would you support the Dinner Dance? Selectmen, Ober replied yes, as long as we did not build in June. Goodwin and Wood will attend the BOS meeting on Wednesday, January 11th to ask the BOS to support the Dinner Dance. Lonergan asked if there was a warrant article at this time for a building at the Town Park. Ober said at this time there was no warrant article and that they have not yet worked on warrant articles. Wood stated the Commission has not yet discussed a warrant article. Smith hopes that the BOS will support the establishment of a Trust Fund for the Town Park. **Motion:** A motion was made by Cray and seconded by Smith to authorize Heather Goodwin & Julie Lonergan to sign the event contract for the Dinner Dance at Steele Hill and to send out letter for donations as long as the BOS approves the fundraiser. The motion passed, with Selectman Ober abstaining.

Pre-Proposal: Pickle Ball

Lonergan presented to the Commission the goal is to increase recreation activity for the adult Sanbornton Community. Pickle Ball is an adult activity that is low impact and played by many. The Basics of it is that it is a fun sport that combines many elements of tennis, badminton and ping-pong. Played both indoors or outdoors on a badminton-sized court and a slightly modified tennis net. The game is played with a paddle and a plastic ball with holes. It can be played as doubles or singles. Lonergan would like to start the program in the spring. It would be offered as “free come try it out” for adults. After the short introduction period, it would then promote as a regular recreational activity for adults same as adult volleyball & basketball. Lonergan said the startup cost would be no more than \$700.

Equipment needed: Master Set-Larger Tapered Paddles, Yellow indoor balls, Med kit and tape. Lonergan will be asked to be on the BOS agenda at the end of January to discuss offering this new adult activity.

Town Report: Lonergan handed out a draft copy of the Town Report. Lonergan asked if the Commission could review and send back any changes by Friday. Lonergan noted she needed to add a short paragraph to the basketball section on the summer basketball that took place at WRMS.

Joint Meeting with BOS: The Commission will meet with the BOS on Wednesday, January 18th at 7:30pm for an open communication on the role of the Commission. Lonergan said she had contacted NHMA for information on training for Commission members. NHMA will come and do a training for \$475. Selectmen Ober suggested Lonergan to reach out to see if they offer free training and suggested contact the TA for assistance.

Job Descriptions: Lonergan updated that all the job description had been revised and updated.

Coordinators Update:

- The B&A Program November attendance numbers for the 16 days were: Before Care average: 20, After Care average: 24. December had 13 days and the Before Care average: 24, After Care average: 24. The average for August- December: Before Care:21 After Care: 24 for the 74 days the program was open.
- The Gunstock Outreach program: 35 registered in the program. 26 Sanbornton and 11 from the Pines, of which 5 are renters, 6 are snow boards, and 29 Skiers. Lonergan noted that 10 chaperone tickets will need to be purchased.
- Ice Skating at Tilton School started on Sunday evening. Great turn out for the learn to skate. The family & open skate times were well attended.

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- Youth Basketball is in full swing with games almost every week night and Saturdays for the month of January. K-2 Basketball scheduled to start on Saturday, January 21st at SCS.
- Senior/ Adult trips: Lonergan said she will be sending a flyer out for the Boston Flower Show, Thursday, March 23rd. Lonergan also said she would like to do a trip to Strawberry Bank in late Spring and a trip in early December to take a bus around to see Christmas lights.
- Christmas Social update. The event was well attended however Lonergan would like to see changes and somehow increase activity and get a wider group of residents to attend. A huge thank you to John Kelly and to SFD & PD for helping out.
- Ice-Skating at the Town Park. Lonergan updated that as she did not ask permission from the BOS to install the ice rink therefore she did not move ahead with the activity. No materials were purchased and no money was spent. Lonergan said she had been approached by a resident to see if we could use a pond on private property. After contacting Primex and what it would take Lonergan said she didn't want to put the homeowner or town in a position of liability. However great information was given by Primex on how to construct an outdoor rink and signage. Lonergan hopes that next year the activity can take place at the Town Park and she will work with the BOS.
- Easter Egg Hunts will take place on either April 8th Or April 15th.
- Winterfest: Once again we will collaborate with the Library for a fun outdoor afternoon of activities. Lonergan stated she already reserved the snow shoes for the day. Lonergan working with staff is going to offer an all-day event at SCS of indoor games and activity and then go over to the Library for the afternoon. Lonergan hopes this will increase attendance and give the kids and parents a break in the middle of vacation week.

NLF Request: Lonergan requested the following payment from the NLF. \$75. BB reimbursement to Lisa McComiskey, \$595 Maya Hardcastle- Yoga classes, Janice Filter 105 -Yoga classes, \$41.82 First Bank Card- Table for B&A program, \$300 Francouer Basketball Tournament- 3 teams, \$450 Franklin Parks & Rec- 3 teams Bb Tournament, \$50 I Tunes card for music for skating and other programs. Motion: Goodwin made a motion and seconded by Smith to pay from the NLF the following: Refund \$75. to Lisa McComiskey, \$595 Maya Hardcastle, \$105 Janice Filter, \$41.82 First Bank Card, \$300 Francouer Basketball Tournament, \$450 Franklin Parks & Rec, and to purchase a \$50 I Tunes card. Motion passes -unanimous.

Commission Terms: Lonergan talked about where everyone was on their terms and when they expire. Goodwin questioned why her term had changes and how did that happen. Lonergan could not give the answer as these were handled by another person in the past. Wood said she would gladly give her seat up to open space for a new member.

Smith thanked Julie Presher and Tracy Seavey for attending the meetings and was so very glad they supported the Commission and hopes they will continue to come.

A tentative meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, February 15th 7pm at the DPW garage. The purpose of the meeting is to work on the Dinner dance. Lonergan will post the meeting once she receives confirmation from Wood.

Smith made a motion to adjourn at 9:00pm.

Next regular schedule meeting is Tuesday, March 14th 7:00pm at the DPW garage.

Respectfully Submitted:

Juliana E. Lonergan, Coordinator

These minutes are subject to review and approval of the Recreation Commission.