Town of Sanbornton ~ Recreation Commission~ Meeting Minutes

May 11, 2021 ~ 7:00 p.m. ~ DPW Building

Members: Joel Smith (Chair), Tracy Seavey (immediate past Secretary), Kaela Hobby-Reichstein, Colleen Longo, Jacqulyn Riendeau, Barbara Whetstone and John Olmstead (Selectmen Representative)

Meeting opened at 7:00pm.

Present:

Joel Smith, Tracy Seavey, Kaela Hobby, Amanda Pelissier, Barbara Whetstone, Colleen Longo, Dolly Elliott

Meeting Minutes:

Meeting minutes from April 13, 2021 meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Smith and seconded by Longo to accept the meeting minutes, with corrections.

Vote: Smith-Affirmative, Seavey-Affirmative, Hobby-Reichstein-Affirmative, Longo-Affirmative. Whetstone-Abstain. Motion Passes.

Financials:

A motion was made by Whetstone and seconded by Smith to accept the April financials.

Vote: All Affirmative. Motion passes.

Open Commission Position:

The position of Secretary remains open. Seavey will continue to take notes through June, if needed. Whetstone and Hobby-Reichstein have volunteered to rotate taking notes each month.

Help Wanted:

Ad has been posted on social media, Town website and at the Town office seeking a part-time employee to help maintain the cleanliness of both Hermit Lake Beach and Winnisquam Beach. This is a 16 week, paid position.

Swimming Lines & Raft:

Lines and rafts are being stored by a resident that previously helped set up and take down each year. The Commission expressed gratitude for this voluntary commitment. This volunteer has requested the equipment being moved from their property so the Commission is looking for volunteers to help move and set up the lines and rafts for the summer. Pelissier will continue to look for future storage options.

Before and After School Program:

- Elliott stated that the program is going well. The number of participants has increased for the Before School
 Program but as of today, the After School Program still has less than 12 participants. She anticipates this
 number will grow as school is now back to five days per week.
- There are limited activities that can be done in the gym due to the continued COVID restrictions, so Elliott has been taking the children outside at the Before School Program and in addition to going outside in the afternoon, she has implemented crafts, planting, and cooking projects (with parental permission)
- One issue that has risen is the type of masks participants are wearing. The bandeau style does not stay up
 when running around occurs. She encourages them to wear traditional style masks to remain compliant with
 COVID safety standards.
- The DHHS grant has been received, totaling \$5,400

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Summer Camp:

- Camp is full! Currently 30 enrollees.
- School procedures for COVID have been duplicated
- COVID guidelines and screening sheets will be utilized daily
- If a camper tests positive, they will need to quarantine for 10 days. Parents need to be prepared in the instance that camp needs to be shut down due to COVID exposure.
- Elliott stated that she will have the kids outside most of the time

Swim Lessons:

Will run first two weeks of August. The first week is full. The second week has four slots left (slots are per family/group)

Town Park:

- Little League and Softball League are still utilizing and no issues have been reported
- DPW is leveling out the parking lot
- Trails are available at the park to use

Senior Walking Group

This has been pushed back to June. Sanbornton Connects group has sent out registrations. For more details on the group or the walking routes, please contact Pelissier.

Town Park Sub-Committee

- Whetstone reported that this is progressing. She is meeting with Trish to discuss logistics, meetings, minutes, posting online, and being added to the website
- The first meeting date is TBD but will be held at the Town Park
- Longo stated that she has been recruiting members and volunteers via Facebook and has compiled a list of
 emails addresses from those that have expressed interest.
- Looking for someone from the Conservation Commission to join
- Ideal Commission at a minimum, would consist of the following:
 - Recreation Coordinator
 - o Two representatives from the Recreation Commission
 - One representative from the Conservation Commission
 - One representative form the DPW
 - No limit at this time for Members at Large

Yoga

Two instructors interested in running classes. One class to potentially be held at the Old Town Hall and one at Hermit Beach. Having two instructors with two locations/times could attract more attendees.

Revolving Funds:

Pelissier has requested \$2,500 for Summer Camp, including totes, buckets, supplies needed to remain compliant with COVID safety guidelines. A motion was made by Smith and seconded by Seavey to approve.

Vote: All Affirmative. Motion passes.

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Other Business:

- Whetstone asked when the Commission generally contributes to the Town budget. Pelissier stated that June would be the next time and how much we are able to contribute will be discussed at the June meeting.
- Longo requested an email list be created for communication beyond Facebook and youth activities. Pelissier stated she will put something together for the Town meeting so attendees can start to sign up there.

A motion to adjourn was made by Seavey and seconded by Smith.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 8, 2021 at 7:00 pm at the DPW Building.

Respectfully Submitted:

Amanda Pelissier

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These minutes are in draft form and are subject to review/change and approval of the Recreation Commission