

Sanbornton Town Park Committee Minutes

June 9, 2022

Sanbornton Town Office

10:30 AM

Present: Barbara Whetstone, Chair; Amanda Pelissier, Recreation Coordinator; Colleen Longo; Patty Kasparian

1. The minutes of May 12, 2022 were read. Patty moved to accept the minutes as read and seconded by Colleen. All present approved the minutes as read.

2. Patty and Barbara shared information from the June 8th Board of Selectmen meeting. The BOS accepted our latest Town Park Proposals and Recommendations report of June, 2022, and approved beginning the process of moving ahead with the recommendations. They would like our committee to continue to gather information about costs of park projects and suggest possible construction contractors. Scott Auger gave a detailed presentation of what he thinks needs to be done to prepare the park before further development and adding of facilities. The BOS will have Trish contact Gilford Well regarding the well situation. The BOS will address Scott Auger's recommendations. (See The Sanbornton Town Park Proposals and Recommendations, June, 2022).

3. Cost estimates are needed for the following projects:

a. 24 x 40 foot pavilion. Patty, Colleen and Barbara will research contractors. Barbara has been in touch with Eric Howard, executive Director of the Timber Framers Guild. Will Ellis will contact Jared The Barn Builder, a Sanbornton resident, who may be interested in building a pavilion.

b. ADA bathroom, 10 x 10 feet. Colleen and Amanda will research contractors.

c. Storage building, 1000 square feet. Amanda and Colleen will research contractors.

d. Multipurpose court. Barbara will research contractors.

e. Landscaping design. Barbara will contact Eric Bock, Turnwood Landscaping and Design, as recommended by Jim Piscopo.

4. Publicity. The committee discussed the need to publicize the town park project. Patty will write an article and Amanda will post information on the Town of Sanbornton Recreation web site and on Facebook. We think a picture of the committee with the Town Park sign in the

background would help when submitting to the newspapers (Laconia Daily Sun and the Winnisquam Echo).

5. The committee raised \$80 at the Historic District Workshop. These donations will be placed in the Recreation Commission Revolving Fund to be used for town park projects. Amanda accepted the check for \$80. The committee would like to have a booth at Sanbornton Old Home Day to inform the community about the development of the park, seek more volunteers and donations. We discussed having an item with the town park name displayed, such as on Koozies and Frisbees. Colleen will contact the Old Home Day Committee to discuss and research advertising items.

6. Amanda reported she has ordered four picnic tables.

7. Heather DeVincent is interested in becoming a new member to the committee. Barbara will contact her.

8. Patty has sent thank you notes to those who contributed items to the bake sale fund raiser. Thank you Patty!

9. Patty suggested a town park fund raising group be formed, such as the "Friends of Sanbornton Town Park". The committee thought this was worth pursuing.

10. Amanda has been posting our minutes and agendas. Thank you Amanda!

11. After discussion, the committee has decided to change the meeting time and location. Due to work schedules, a daytime meeting prevents some town residents from volunteering and attending. Due to conversion of the town offices to a police station, a new meeting place will be needed. Barbara contacted Heather, librarian, at the Sanbornton Town Library, who has agreed to reserve the library meeting room for us on the second Wednesdays of the month from 6-8 pm. The committee agreed to this change.

12. Next meeting: August 10, 2022, Sanbornton Town Library, 6 pm. Since there will not be an official meeting in July, committee members will email information on projects researched to the committee.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Whetstone, Chairperson