



CITY OF DOVER

DOVER MASTER PLAN RECREATION SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting
Meeting Location: Dover Ice Arena – 110 Portland Ave, Dover, NH 03820
Meeting Date: **Saturday, July 12, 2008**
Meeting Time: **7:00AM**

Meeting was recorded as required.

Present: Cova Greig, Carrie Keech, Bob Carrier, Kirt Schuman, Jan Nedelka.

Consultant: Norm Fracassa

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:10 AM
2. 6.28.2008 meeting notes were reviewed and approved.
3. There was no public comment.
4. Jan Nedelka updated the committee on the questionnaire results. Some of the early findings are: 75% of respondents use parks more than once a week, over 40% use the McConnell Center and the Ice Arena, 60% use Henry Law Park. There is a clear message to take care of what we have and enhance before adding more in terms of fields and parks.

Discussion revolved around how people get their information on recreation and many stated it was through Community Notes, which is slated to be discontinued. Committee members stated that Dover would miss a segment of it's population if they discontinued the mailings. It was asked if the city has investigated the possibility of getting advertisers to help with the cost of production and mailing. It was suggested that the Community Notes could be done more efficiently saving money. It was mentioned that if eliminated, it needs to be replaced by another media that matches or exceeds the reach of Community Notes.

5. Drafts of the chapter update were handed out along with a draft map depicting all the city parks. Adjustments were recommended for the map which the consultant will pass on to city staff. The handout prepared by Ron Cole on the reasons people visit the parks was distributed and discussed. Jan will include this information as part of the results summary from the questionnaire. The consultant asked for feedback on the preliminary recommendations and will complete them for review and ranking at the next meeting.
6. Next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, July 19th at the Dover Ice Arena, 7-9 AM. Tasks to be completed will be a summary of the questionnaire results and highlights by Jan Nedelka and completion of park recommendations by Consultant
7. Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 AM