



**CITY OF DOVER**

## DOVER RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD - MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting  
Meeting Location: McConnell Center, 61 Locust Street, Dover, NH 03820  
Room 220  
Meeting Date: Monday, July 11, 2011  
Meeting Time: **7:00pm**

### DRAFT

**CALL TO ORDER:** Joe Tenuta called the meeting to order at 7:04PM

### ROLL CALL

#### Present

Recreation Director: Gary Bannon

City Council Liaison: Bob Carrier

#### Recreation Board Members in attendance:

Joe Tenuta

Jerry Newcomb

Jon Towle

Rich Johnson

Scott Kelley

Mark Hyson

Kathy Morrison

#### Recreation Board Members/Liaison absent:

Assistant Recreation Director: Krista Trefethen

**Open Positions on Rec Board:** Two full time and three alternates.

A full board consists of nine (9) full time members and three (3) alternate members.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

June 13, 2011 minutes - Rich made a motion to accept, Kathy seconded - board voted & approved.

**CITIZENS' FORUM:** None.

### REPORTS

#### A. ADVISORY BOARD

None.

#### B. RECREATION DIRECTOR, GARY BANNON

4<sup>th</sup> of July recap. It went very well and was well attended. Chamber of Commerce really stepped up, paid for it, made it part of the Cochecho summer events. Great job by Chamber and everyone that pitched in and supported it.

Budget was adopted.

CIP project work is ongoing. Gravel money is going toward park improvement projects.



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### **C. ASSISTANT RECREATION DIRECTOR, KRISTA TREFETHEN**

Summer programs going well. Summer fitness is going well.

Track program, which is used mostly for prep for Hershey Track is going well. This is getting kids involved in track and field at earlier ages. 39 kids are using the program.

Senior center trips are going well. Trips to Italy and Ireland are being planned.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Looking to create a Friends of Dover Recreation 501 (C ) 3** organization so that they can fundraise for the senior center, pools, skate park, recreation and apply for grants as a nonprofit. Rich Johnson filled out the application for "The Friends of Dover Recreation, Inc".

Rich is moving the process along. He has the federal tax id numbers and will finalize the IRS application.

Bylaws need to be created and finalized.

### **Shaw's Lane Field Plans**

Progress is being made on filling in pit, city is helping. Jon reported that while he was working at Shaw's Lane, dogs are still being let off the leashes and let to run free. Dog owners are starting on track then are letting them off the leash to run and of course they are not picking up after the dogs. These dog owners are driving to Shaw's Lane to let their dogs run.

### **Dog Ordinance Change**

Recreation Advisory Board may want to recommend a change to the ordinance to include no dogs allowed on any city fields, tracks, or parks. There is a dog park in the city that dog owners can use. Shaw's Lane may have to be off limits to dogs.

### **Well at Shaw's Lane**

6/13 - Bob spoke to the city manager about it. It's doable but it's still being investigated. Need to see what the savings to the city could be.

3/14 - Bob received figures from Ronan showing costs of \$15,000 - \$18,000 per year in water costs. City has paid \$64,500 over the past four years. Bob said he would follow up again with the city manager.

### **Garrison Hill Ski Park**

Gary is working to trouble shoot this project through they city system. Planning, conservation, forester, insurance costs, property boundaries, Rollinsford impact, etc.



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### **Skate Park**

Joe to follow up with Matt Johnson from Skate Park group. Recreation Board made a motion. Motion was made by Rich Johnson and seconded by Jon Towle: Letter has to be put together to the Mayor, Council, Rotary, etc. Jerry emailed letter to board for review.

**Jenny Thompson Pool Bath House** - It's out to bid presently for \$185,000 which was received from gravel funds. 34 year old building that needs work.

3 bids came in at \$307,000, \$316,000 and \$406,000. Gary to go back and go over what can be done for \$185,000 and get new bids for work.

**Park St. Update** – Had a burst of activity trying to get landscaping, benches, picnic tables, etc done. Kevin Goodwin is going to do the sign. Marion Cheney working on thank you sign. Ribbon cutting ceremony expected in August.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Jenny Thompson at pools and McDonalds** – Event went very well and raised \$12,000 for pools. 88 swimmers registered.

**Trophy case at McConnell Center** – Mark Hyson asked about possibly building a trophy case for Dover Sports organizations to put championship trophies.

### **F. ADJOURN**

Mark made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Scott seconded the motion.

The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 8:22pm

Respectfully,  
Jerry Newcomb