



**CITY OF DOVER**

## RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD - MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting  
Meeting Location: McConnell Center, 61 Locust Street, Dover, NH 03820  
Senior Center Activity Room  
Meeting Date: Tuesday, February 17, 2015  
Meeting Time: **7:00pm**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Scott Kelley @ 7:00pm

### **ROLL CALL:**

Recreation Director: Gay Bannon

### **Recreation Board Members in Attendance:**

Scott Kelley, Chair

Chris Lawrence (new board member, first meeting)

Stanley Kaubris

Richard Johnson

Wayne Boucher

City Council Liaison: John O'Connor

### **Also in Attendance:**

Mara Allaire, new board member (to be formally sworn in by City of Dover Clerk)

### **Recreation Board Members Not in Attendance:**

Jon Towle

### **Open Positions On Rec Board:**

2 regular board member and 3 alternates – A full board consists of nine (9) full time members and three (3) alternate members.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The minutes of the January 12, 2015 meeting were reviewed. Stan Kaubris motioned approval. Richard Johnson seconded. Passed Unanimously

### **CITIZENS FORUM:**

None No one in attendance

### **REPORTS:**

#### **Advisory Board Members:**

Scott Kelley attended the January, 2015 sports leagues Presidents' Meeting. He explained our function to the league representatives, and asked for volunteers to the Recreation Advisory Board.



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### Recreation Director Gary Bannon:

1. Welcome to Chris Lawrence and Mara Allaire, new members. Chris recently retired. He is an alternate on the City of Dover Planning Board. Was a school teacher at Oyster River High School (ten years) and Dover High School (fifteen years). Coached at the schools, Oyster River Youth Association, Dover Soccer, and Basketball. He was also the Kingston Summer Recreation Director. He moved to Dover in the early 1980s. His daughter attended Dover High School and his son attended St. Thomas Aquinas High School. He has the time, and wants to contribute.

Mara will be sworn in shortly, attending as an observer tonight. Mara has been a resident of Dover since 1998. Her son has been involved in local sports (baseball, soccer and football). She attended the City of Dover Leadership Committee last year and signed up to be on a board.

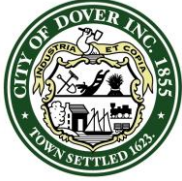
2. Heavy snows have affected schedules. Basketball was impacted for several weekends. Krista Trefethen has done a great job rescheduling. Basketball for fifth and sixth grades are wrapping up. All-Stars and high school still ongoing. Closed early this past Sunday, due to another storm. "Doing the best we can."
3. Budget was submitted. Met with Dover City Manager last week. Meeting went well. Example: Pool budget change = \$500. There is a request for a full-time Senior Center Coordinator in the 2015 budget. Round 2 of budget review coming up in approximately two weeks.
4. No news on Garrison Hill trail grant request. Should have heard back by January 31. Gary will follow-up. Wentworth Douglass Hospital contacted Gary. They want to partner with Dover Recreation Department.
5. Cash flow is good in Dover Recreation this year, so far.

### OLD BUSINESS:

#### **Skate Park Update:**

The skate park group met with Gary Bannon. The Aaron Wilkenson family started a fund raising campaign. They have raised approximately \$5k to \$6k. Gary asked the skate park group "What to do?" The group will put the money to good use for a pavilion shelter for the skate ramp and a memorial plaque.

The TIF FOR THE WATERFRONT HAS BEEN APPROVED. The bluff near the skate park may still be removed. Gary is to meet with the city planners regarding the ultimate location for the skate park.



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### **Henry Law Park Update:**

Gary met with the city purchasing agent. A draft RFP for engineering designs (including specifications) is being drafted. Demolition will occur in the spring of 2015. Construction will begin in the summer of 2015.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### **Awards Banquet:**

March 26, 2015. Need to raise \$1,000. It's up to the board members to raise the funds. Several donations came in last week. Gary explained how the leagues nominate their award winners and nominate sponsors. We are going to nominate winners tonight.

Stan Kaubris would like to cull the potential donor list down after March. Gary stated that the list can probably use a good editing.

#### **Award Nominees:**

Motion to go into non-public session and discuss nominees; Wayne Boucher motioned. Stan Kaubris seconded. Vote unanimous. Krista Trefethen joined at 7:47pm. She was refereeing a game in Somersworth, NH. Exited nonpublic session after voting on this year's Dover Recreation award winners

### **ADJOURN:**

Richard Johnson motioned.  
Stan Kaubris seconded.  
Motion passed unanimously.  
Adjourned at 8:07pm

Respectfully,  
Richard Johnson