

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, January 11, 2016
Meeting Time: **7:00pm**

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Call to Order: Stan Kaubris - 7:00pm

Roll Call: Wayne Boucher, Stan Kaubris, Ken Wolfe, John O'Connor, Gary Bannon, Krista Trefethen, Peg Purcell

Absent: Arianna Adams, Mara Allaire

Stan – Welcomed Ken Wolfe to the RAB.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to Approve: Wayne Boucher

Second: Peg Purcell

All in favor – approved

Citizens Forum: None

Election of Officers: Chair, Vice Chair & Secretary

Peg nominates Mara for Secretary

Peg nominates Wayne for Chair

Wayne nominates Peg for Vice Chair

Motion to accept the slate – Unanimous

Reports:

Advisory board:

Peg – parking lot at Willand Park not plowed on both sides, no access. Dover PD has been chasing people off the ice. Ken Wolfe reported still seeing them today. Gary said Somersworth typically doesn't plow their end, Gary will check on our side. No trash receptacles and no pet waste signs

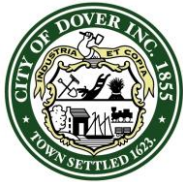
Peg – Bellamy Park – ok

Peg – Woodman Park School – Ok/driveway

Peg – Longhill – Picked up four full Hannaford bags of dog waste at the park this past weekend. Wants more strongly worded signage. Gary asked them not to post signs without talking to him.

Gary:

Cova Greig (former Recreation Director and many other positions within the City – worked here 22 years) passed away last week. She hired Gary in 1989 as the Assistant Director. Very active with Red Cross, Rotary Club, etc. Took responsibility for coordinating Rotary



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Gardens, etc.. Was a member of the last Master Plan committee for Recreation. We will be collecting donations from our employees, etc., to send to the Dover SHARE fund.

So far so good with winter – we’ve been lucky with a mild winter so far.

Budget – final stages of submitting the budget. We haven’t received any feedback from Finance since we inputted our information. Trying to add more capital into the budget. Only fee that is being raised is Camp Kool. We are looking at changing custodial staffing for McConnell Center. Goes to Council in mid-March, adopted by mid-May. New Council sworn in last week. Visioning meeting coming up on the 23rd.

Tourism stakeholders meeting – Gary attends those monthly meetings – hospitality folks mentioned the impact on them (full hotels) due to hockey tournaments, swim meets, etc.

Campaign events – we’ve hosted Clinton, Sanders, Rubio, likely hosting another candidate next week.

Krista:

Basketball season fully underway

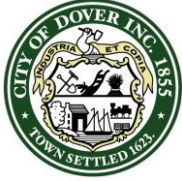
Senior center is busy with travel, fitness activities.

Old Business:

HLP: Well underway – Community Service department is doing an excellent job of doing the infrastructure – demo, site grading, removal of a lot of old material – stockpiling some of it off-site. Met with architect to talk about site prep for the Gundalow. Fully flowing water source under that piece of property. Standing water under the wading pool. Put a drainage system in to send it to the river. We are trying to figure out how to use that water for watering the plants. Doing well budget wise because we’re using in-house staff. Biggest hurdle is the Gundalow – rehab & moving.

Waterfront Project: Meeting w/architects – subcontractors. Company called Ironwood out of Newmarket – putting together concept plan. Peg thinks there is a CWDAC meeting on the 14th. Biggest issue is the permitting process.

Park Assignments: Four are currently empty – Garrison Hill, Horne Street, Overlook & Park Street. Ken will take over those. Stan will fill in and send to all. Concerns re: Fish Ladder Park – will involve CIP/CS & Mill owners.



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New Business:

Volunteer/Sponsor of the Year awards program: Gary explained to new Board Members. Stan asked re: Scott's list of businesses. We'll send out information to those that sponsored last year & we will update RAB members at the February meeting.

Motion to Adjourn:

7:55pm – Ken Wolfe

Second – Wayne Boucher