

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: Monday, April 11, 2016
Meeting Time: **7:00pm**

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Call to order: Peg Purcell - 7:03pm

Roll Call: Martha Haley, David Hurlburt, Mara Allaire, Ken Wolfe, Stan Kaubris, John O'Connor, Peg Purcell, Krista Trefethen, Gary Bannon

Approval of Minutes for March 16, 2016:

Motion to Approve: Martha Haley

Second: Stan Kaubris

All in favor - approved

Citizens Forum: None

Reports:

Advisory Board:

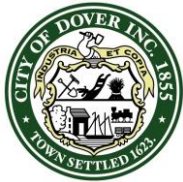
- Park Street -
- Bellamy Park – Plaque is rotted – not a property of Dover Rec
- Willand Park – lots of litter
- Woodman Park – rotten board, track needs to be renewed
- Long Hill Park – spring cleanup, signage no dogs
- Downtown Park – sad state of affairs, who is responsible? Main Street coordinates Dover Cleanup Day, bench is solid, it's just the slots rotted away

Recreation Director, Gary Bannon:

Introduced Bill Simons, Parking Manager for the City of Dover, who wishes to have specific parking rules for the parks (especially for Park Street Park). Community is concerned about parking there, neighbors reminded them about parking—not used properly, call police how do they enforce? Park hours: 7am-7pm, Oct-March – that spelled out in city ordinance.

Bill Simons reports that this past winter started getting calls again. He suggests: no parking after certain hours. He encourages the Advisory Board to make a recommendation as Board to City Council.

Shaws Lane, we plow it. Park Street Park doesn't get plowed. Bill gets calls about Park Street Park and no other park. Gary and Bill have been discussing this for a while; each park will have to have specific rules, allowed/not allowed. He recommends parking during park hours, except winter, during day only park users, parking ban: April 1-Dec 1. Come up with draft wording specific to Park Street and get some information about the other parks situation. Think about all the parks, based on whether they have parking or not. We can work it out over the next few months; don't have to do it now. If any ideas, send them to Gary.



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Budget presentation April 20. Dover Pride first week of May. Bellamy Park got complaints /comments from the Bellamy Village, questions about parking, disc golf, etc. A lot of things were easily coordinated, clarifying not to encourage people staying past certain hours. We have addressed the concerns with the disc golfers and hope there will be no further issues.

Assistant Director, Krista Trefethen:

Getting ready for summer

Camp Kool registration starts this Friday

Volleyball back in gym

All leagues waiting to get on the fields—not getting fields because it's wet, and getting more rain tomorrow, 4/12/16

Senior center was good, had a nice presentation last week, Alzheimer's Association is coming this month, April 28, to talk about healthy habits for a healthy living

This year we have had a lot of competition to find qualified staff. Counselors stay for 7 weeks; one requirement is that they should have graduated from HS.

Old Business:

Henry Law Park Project Status: It is moving right ahead. Work on gundalow, Paul Rollins is doing the technical work. Getting features for the park ordered and delivered. Timing: early summer (no specific date). Looking for the ribbon cutting this summer

Volunteer and Sponsor of the Year Awards Update: It went well. Recipients were prepared. Financially we were about just even at in donations with \$800 received,

New Business: None

Motion to adjourn

8:09 pm – Stan Kaubris

Second: Martha Haley

Submitted by Mara Allaire