



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, March 13, 2017
Meeting Time: **7:00pm**

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Call to Order at 7:01PM

Roll Call

Attendance: David Beaulieu, James Boos (Vice –Chair), Martha Haley (Secretary), Cindy Imbro, Peg Purcell (Chair), Aimee Sanderson, Aaron Wozmak (Alternate), Gary Bannon (Director of Recreation), John O’Connor (City Council Liaison)

Absent: Mara Allaire, David Hurlburt, Krista Morris, Krista Trefethen (Asst. Director of Recreation)

Approval of Minutes for January 9, 2017 and February 21, 2017 Meetings:

Motion to approve by David Beaulieu, Second by Cindy Imbro. Motion approved.

Citizen’s Forum: No public comment

Reports

Recreation Director

Gary reported some of the activities and schedules have been adjusted during inclement weather. Budget presentation is upcoming for City Council. Date of general presentation is March 22. Schedule for individual departments not yet determined. Gary has met with City Manager Joyal for preliminary budget. Increasing costs of benefits impact the capital budget monies.

Strategic plan: Continue to develop this along with other departments.

April 11 Gary will be part of the panel presenting at the Annual State of the City to give an update of the Henry Law Park project and the Waterfront project

Time: 7:30-9:30AM at the McConnell Center. All citizens are invited, breakfast included for \$15 cost.

Next council meeting: proposal for parking ordinance for Park Street Park will be reviewed.

Basketball for Youth has wrapped up. Reviewing the various programs, we are communicating with schools to coordinate the resources available to meet the programs needs. Men’s League is beginning playoffs. Gearing up for 4th of July celebration. Gary is soliciting donations for the cost of the fireworks. Gary confirmed the fireworks will still be launched from Maglaras Park. Gary reviewed the history of the location of fireworks displays in Dover and the reasoning behind the current location, which was intended to attract the community to the downtown area for an event.

Senior Center has added more trips with more variety.



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Gary reviewed the plan for addressing the relocation of the skateboard park. James Boos asked when the search for a new location would begin. Gary stated that would begin soon, based on the amount of land needed for the new park. John O'Connor reiterated the support of the City Council to find a new location for the new skate park.

James reviewed the options explored to date for the re-location: Maglaras Park, Guppy Park, and Woodman Park.

Old Business:

Henry Law Project: Work continues, only a few large items to complete. A 'mini' Garrison Hill Tower will be at the center of the new project. This will be delivered week of April 10. An 18 foot wide whale's tail will be placed on the roof of the indoor pool if all of the aspects can come together. Dedication: Looking at weekend of June 24. Ceremony would recognize all the donors and city workers who have contributed to the project.

Awards Program: Gary reports he has received enough in donations to cover cost of the awards program so far. He would like to bring in some more monies to make a donation to the Moose for hosting the event. Friday March 24th is the deadline for submitting sponsor copy. Annual Awards Program will take place March 30 at 6:00 PM at the Moose Hall

New Business

Park Signs: Aimee suggested a contest to design the format for new signs for the parks in Dover. Cindy suggested using the same design as the new signs at the Park Street and Hancock Street Parks. RAB members are asked to check out both of these designs and come prepared to the next meeting with a preference.

Spring Summer Schedule: Due to snow days, summer camps will probably not be starting until the first week of July.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by James Boos, second by Cindy Imbro. Meeting adjourned at 8:12PM

Respectfully submitted,
Martha J Haley, Secretary