

HILL PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

November 16, 2011

Called meeting to order 6:20 pm

In Attendance

Member, Karen Welch
Member, Desiree L. Mahurin
Member, Victoria Dickinson
Member, December Fortin

Absent

Member, Paula McDonough
Member, Lindsay Bush

OLD BUSINESS:

Review of 2012 Parks & Recreation Committee town budget – It was agreed to request level funding all line items from 2011 to 2012 budget with the exception of the Old Home Day line item which total \$8,200.

The Committee would like to request the Board of Selectmen to create a Capital Improvement account or an Expendable Trust account for Parks & Recreational property, activities and programs and use the remaining amount from the 2011 unexpended Old Home Day line item of \$4,150. This request would be in the form of a warrant article to be voted on at Town Meeting.

Appointments to P& R Committee – Victoria Dickinson & December Fortin were sworn in as P&R Committee members by Town Clerk, Desiree L. Mahurin.

Friends of Hill P&R Committee – The committee drafted a letter of invitation to the Chairperson of FOHPR as well as the other 2 last known members to come to our next meeting of January 18, 2012. The P&R Committee would like to discuss future plans, help to re-activate the group with possible new members, discuss funds availability, fundraising options, etc.

Horseshoe Tournament & Cook Out – The event was held as planned. There was little turn out but those that did attend had a good time. Future fall events should be planned earlier than November.

NEW BUSINESS:

Maurice P. Wheeler Park Revitalization Plans – The committee made a list of items in need of repair and improvement that they wish to be able to accomplish with the 2012 budget and applications of grants. Such items include but are not limited to: ground surfacing under all play equipment, address drainage issues around play equipment and ball field, repair equipment per insurance inspection report, repair fencing around home plate and the Libby Memorial Park area, have lighting, power & possibly water installed. Other wish list items include: repurposing the bike park area but with always keeping the Dillion Libby Memorial attached to that area, improve the access to the Town Office and School buildings via the Park and expand the parking area.

The committee agreed to do research between now and the next meeting on grant opportunities. At the January meeting decisions will be made as to who and where applications will be made to help achieve our goals for the park revitalization.

Meeting adjourned 8:15 pm
Respectfully submitted by: Desiree L. Mahurin

Next Meeting January 18, 2012