

Approved Waterbury Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes 11-08-17

Members present: Eric Weeber, Frank Spaulding, Bill Minter, Barb Blauvelt

Guests: Herschel Murry, Deb Fowler (Recreation Director)

Absent: Paul Lawson, Diane Gildea, Phoebe Pelkey

1. Note taker: Eric/Frank Timekeeper: Bill
Summarizer(Clarifies discussions/decisions): Barb -5 min.

2. Adopt Meeting Agenda: -5 min.

A. Motion: Frank

B. 2ND: Bill

C. Discussion: Long Range planning bumped to next meeting

D. Vote: Passed

3. Adopt Meeting Minutes from September 13th, 2017: -5 min.

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1MBbU3piBVtzTPVtOwUHJxgN0v1XYRvWy5jUXF53nQoA/edit>

Motion: Bill moved to accept as presented

A. 2ND: Frank

B. Discussion: None

D. Vote: Passed

4. Recreation Director Reports- Deb Fowler: -10 min.

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<https://docs.google.com/document/d/15Tr3zs3uy2Qs2PR4CJlkwKUoJ5G5ntjvUJr-EaELoIw/edit>

Additional Conversation

Details about River of Light

5. Tour of Waterbury Recreation Assets- To Be Scheduled: Group -10 min.

- Tabled until later. Recommended to push out to beginning of next season.

6. Winterfest planning update- Bill: -10 min. Next meeting is 7 PM, Wednesday the 15TH of November at Zenbarn. All are welcome to attend and get involved. Auction moved to same night as River of Light.

7. FORWARD presentation- Herschel Murry: -10 min.

- Friends for Waterbury Area Recreation Development
- Organizations who wish to collaborate with FORWARD must enter into an annual MOU.
- FORWARD receives 5% of all donations for organizational costs.
- Bill requests a mission statement to add to the description.

8. Upcoming Dates of interest: -5 min.

- See Recreation opportunities at:
<https://www.waterburyvt.com/departments/recreation/> for full calendar of events.
- River of Lights: 12/02/17 with fires starting at 6 PM
- Next Winterfest meeting: 11/15/17 - 7 PM @ Zenbarn on Guptil Rd.
 - January 26 - February 4, 2018 Dates for Winterfest

9. Waterbury Recreation Bike & Pedestrian Planning Committee update: Bill-10 min.

- Committee members: Bill, Frank and Phoebe
- WATA is a large local player: Dana Allen, President

10. Pending items (addressed): -5 min.

- Concept to have notes taken by objective third party, non Recreation Committee member: Deb will check into particulars in order to place a FPF ad or check with HUHS for a Senior in need of community service hours.
 - Answer: **We have been okayed to advertise for a note taker with the offer of a free pool membership in Lieu of payment. I believe Paul you were going to follow up with this once permission was received. If we do not get takers through the posting I will contact the high school to see if we could get a volunteer that way.**

11. New business and agenda items for next meeting on 12/13/17: -5 min.

- Proposed Budget

- Hope Davey Playground proposal

- (HM) Trash can needed at Pump track
 - Answer: **Garbage and recycle at the parking lot of the bike paths are the responsibility of the organization maintaining them. *Phoebe* if you do not mind contacting WATA to see if they could provide and take care of containers there to try and keep that area looking nice.**
 - **Phoebe reply: Deb, I spoke with WATA people and they said in no way shape or form can a 5 board volunteer group possibly maintain trash at the pump track. I agree that it should NOT be their responsibility. Perry Hill certainly is a town asset and brings a ton of people to the area. Perhaps the town should evaluate a trash/recycle bin in the area! Let me know if you want me to talk to someone at the town. The season is winding down anyway but maybe it could be discussed in the spring! Thanks**

- (HM) Daffodilization of the Village and Colbyville and.... points beyond
 - Deb to find out who is coordinating and link in Rec as needed.
 - Answer: **This was a movement taken on by Harriet Grenier and now has a committee addressing it. The plan is to try to increase the beautification of Waterbury and start to get the Town also recognized for the spring flower. The Town, through beautification funds, has purchased 2000 bulbs and businesses in the area have purchased another 1000 bulbs that will be planted by Nov. 1 for blooming in the Spring. The bulbs will be planted at the Roundabout, the two welcome signs, up and down main street, the Best Western, The Fairfield and I have committed to planting some in the Recreation Building garden. Beyond the purchasing and planting this year there is no other plans. It takes a few years for the bulbs to mature and grow into their full beauty so down the road more may be looked into for events around the Daffodils.**

- (HM) Auto show coming to Farr Field next year.
 - RW and Recreation will have to coordinate on use of town facilities.
 - Answer: **Karen, from RW and I are meeting next week to beginning discussion around the Car Show and how they see recreation helping out. I will at that time invite her to an upcoming Recreation Committee meeting for a chance to discuss and share thoughts.**

- Indoor Pickleball request

- **Answer: I have emailed my contact at the Armory to see if they would be willing to host Pickle Ball during the winter. I will update you on their answer once received as well as follow up with the Pickleball people.**

Move to adjourn: Frank

Second : Barb

Passed

Meeting officially adjourned at: 8:26 PM

