

Camden Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes

May 5, 2010

5:15pm

Present: Ray Andresen (chair), Molly Mulhern, Jeff Kuller, Morgan Laidlaw (Select Board liaison), Sharon Gilbert, Brian Robinson and Beth Ward

Absent: Jen Conover, David Olivas and Duncan Matlack

Ray opened the meeting at 5:20pm

Molly moved to accept the April 7, 2010 meeting minutes, Sharon seconded the motion, and it passed.

Committee Reports

RMRA Redevelopment: Molly reported that the building committee has approved the new lodge design. They will meet again in a couple of weeks with the architects to review the design and costs of the mechanical systems.

US National Toboggan Championships®: The US National Toboggan Championships name is now an officially registered trademark. Ray reported that the committee will meet on Monday, May 10 to accept the new rule changes and discuss the schedule for 2011, possible new events, and a new division (open class).

Megunticook Rowing: has received a license agreement from the town, designed a new bridge over the stream bed at the trail entrance, and have cut the trail to the water. The float and ramp have yet to be placed for the season.

Old Business:

Strategic Plan: Subject was tabled for future discussion.

Playground Equipment: Beth formed a focus group to research different playground designs and to recommend an appropriate one for our site. They will meet Tuesday, May 11 at 10am.

Summer Rec Camp: Beth reported that the letter of understanding has been signed by the YMCA. The cost has been increased by \$30 for Camden residents who sign up for all six weeks and by \$10/week for non residents. This is to cover the actual cost of operating the program.

New Business:

Financial Report: Jeff reported that the Snow Bowl operating surplus for this year is projected at about \$37,000. Jeff plans to spend some of it on special projects and to add more to the "rainy season fund." He will be meeting 5/18 with Snow Bowl Managers to develop project priorities.

Shared Use Grant: Jeff reported that the State is still waiting for the final word on funding and that we should get official notification sometime this month. Jeff will begin the permitting process with the goal of building the trail this fall.

Upcoming Events:

National Trails Day - June 5th

Community Yard Sale - June 12th

First Day of Summer Rec Program – July 5th

Wednesdays in the Park Concert Series – begins July 7th

Adjournment: Sharon moved that the meeting be adjourned, Brain seconded the motion, and it passed at 6:20pm

Upcoming Meetings: Wednesdays, June 2nd and July 7th at 5:15pm in the Code Office.

Minutes recorded by Beth Ward.