

1/19/23

**Town of Winchendon  
Winchendon Community Park Committee  
December 5, 2022 Minutes-6:00pm  
4<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room Town Hall**

**Committee Members Present:** Debra Bradley (Chair), Jane Lapointe, Debra Kane, Tiffany Newton (Recreation Coordinator)  
**Committee Members On Phone:** Dawn Bilodeau  
**Absent Member:** Dave Romanowski, Dylan Romanowski  
**Non- Members:** David Alexander

WINCHENDON TOWN CLERK  
ROD BAYLOR  
10/2023 AM 10:44

Meeting called to order at 6:07 p.m.

**Business/Discussion -**

**Updates**

*Amphitheater*

- No new updates about the opening
- Most big things will be done before winter

*Disc Golf*

- The conservation meeting was moved to December 15.

*Friends*

- Not much motion-Jane is going to look into this more

**Old Buisness.**

*Robinson-Broadhurst Grant 2022*

- We need to revote on how to use some of these funds from our 4 Seasons Grant due to lack of quorum.
- The committee voted to fund these 4 items and then to re-evaluate the remaining expenses and other options for uses at our next meeting.
  - Fund 1 disc golf basket
  - Tags for Cindy's upcoming project
  - Fund 2 outdoor heaters at \$148.99 each
  - 3 Refills of propane for each heating unit.

The motion was made by Deb B and Jane 2<sup>nd</sup>

Deb B (Y) Deb K (Y) Dawn (Y) Dave ( ) Jane (Y) Dylan ( )

*Cindy Carvill- Nature's Notebook*

- The committee needs to revote from last meeting on this project due to lack of quorum.
- Cindy is doing a project for a class and intends to keep this "program" going for the foreseeable future.
  - This would require the observation of plants and animals and setting up observation points along the trails in a manageable way.

- The pollinator garden is a great location to start.
  - She has a background in Biology and horticulture. This project looks at Phenology: the natural life cycles of nature.
  - The next aspect of this project would be to train Junior observers as this is a type of citizen science project.
  - Tiffany pointed out that this project above and beyond meeting the goals of the park will be beneficial to the Cultural aspect of the barn restoration grant.
  - Deb made a motion for Cindy to move forward with her project and bring back the final plan to the committee. Jane 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion
- Deb B (Y) Deb K (Y) Dawn (Y) Dave () Jane (Y) Dylan ()

### **New Business**

#### *Porta Potty*

- Due to the increased cost and decreased usage Jane made a motion to have the Scotties Potty removed from the WCP. Deb K 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Deb B (Y) Jane (Y) Deb K (Y) Dawn (Y) Dave () Dylan ()

#### *Meeting Date*

- Jane made a motion to hold our regular meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month instead of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday and that all meetings be hybrid through March. Dawn 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Deb B (Y) Jane (Y) Deb K (Y) Dawn (Y) Dave () Dylan ()
- There will be no meeting in January

### **Financial Update:**

- The only charge is Scotties
  - The committee was asked to vote to ask Robinson-Broadhurst to allow funds from 2017 to also include Programming for the park and Amphitheater.
  - Jane wanted to ensure that funds would be coming back to the park 1<sup>st</sup>
  - Tiffany agreed to speak with Justin about how funds coming into the park will be allocated.
  - Jane made a motion to allow Tiffany and Justin to negotiate use of the Robinson-Broadhurst funds to cover Fireworks and opening 2023 season bands and performances with the understanding that this account will be replenished prior to allocating funds anywhere else.
- Jane (Y) Dawn (Y) Deb K (Y) Deb B (Y) Dave () Dylan ()

### **Other**

- How to partner with local businesses
- Johnny Appleseed ¼ page ad-should go to Rec for a vote
- Calendar with events as a promotional item for next year?
- Deb asks that we define our volunteer expectations
- Final upgrade to BOS in April before we merge
- David Alexander asked about hosting an orienteering at the park

**Minutes**

- Jane made a motion to approve the minutes from October 3<sup>rd</sup> and Nov 7<sup>th</sup> and Deb B 2<sup>nd</sup>

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Deb B made a motion and Deb K 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.

**Adjourned:** 7:12 p.m.

Motion by Jane 2<sup>nd</sup> by Deb K

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**Approved:**

Debra Kane  
John Bradley  
Jane LaPointe