Town of Deerfield Parks & Recreation Commission Minutes April 9, 2013

Call to Order

06:05: by Chairman Dwight Barnes

Present

Committee Members: Dwight Barnes, Julie DeCosta, Jack Hutchinson, Ernie Robert, Jeff Shute, Melissa Robertson, Parks & Rec Director. Joe Manzi

Citizen's Comments

N/A

Minutes

n/a

Deerfield Fair Association Letter

- A letter to DPR & Board of Selectmen (BOS) was received from the Deerfield Fair Association (DFA) requesting a contribution of \$2000 from DPR for the fireworks on Old Home Day (OHD)
- In previous years, DFA would contribute to the OHD fireworks that was arranged by DPR.
- DPR has used Northstar (VT) in the past. DFA is negotiating with NH Pyrotecnics.
- Jack will meet with David O'Neal of the DFA to find out more about the plans for fireworks and who would be sponsoring this event on OHD.

5 Year Plan

- DPR needs to develop a 5 year plan and provide it to the BOS
- Items discussed as being needed are: bleachers (1-2 sets) for Hartford Brook Fields; storage facility outside GB White; tennis/basketball court resurfacing; cargo & passenger van replacement; Jim D'Alessio building needs (counters & other finish items); drainage work at Bicentennial Fields)

Joe Stone Trust Fund

- Trust fund to be established for the scholarship money only. Jack will set this up.
- Need more background information and need to know who will be in charge to contact the trustee.

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Old Home Day

- August 17th is the date
- Fireworks
- Road Race- Jim MacKenzie volunteered to organize and run this event
- Chicken- Melissa will check with Andy to see if he is willing/available to be in charge of this.

Hall of Fame (HOF)

- 3 year interval of holding this event
- Next HOF will be Sunday, January 26th
- Need candidates. Discussed using an application or creating some criteria
- Joe will work on framework for this.

Program Updates

- Foxwoods was a successful trip.
- Baseball and Softball makes this a busy time of year
- Joe Stone Scholarship- one application received thus far (Emily Festa)

Other News

- Dwight Barnes announced that this would be his last meeting. His term is up in April and he does not plan to continue on.
- Suggestion was made to seek some candidates who have children in the programs offered by DPR

Meeting Ended 7:25 PM

Next Meeting Wednesday, May 14, 2013 at 6 PM (GB White Building). Julie DeCosta (Acting Clerk)