

HANOVER PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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Hanover Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Monday, April 11, 2011 at 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Jeff Graham, Clare Brauch, Dean Lacy, Dave Parsons, Jay Rozzi

Members Absent: Kathy Boghosian, Tom Lyons

Staff Present: Hank Tenney, Liz Burdette

MEETING NOTES

1. Approval of March 2011 Minutes

2. **Public Input** - none

3. **"250" Report**

Town will have a large festival July 3 with a bigger parade and longer route than the Town's usual Fourth of July parade. A meeting about the parade will be held on Tuesday, April 12. People are working on posters of downtown from the 1700s to today. A map of the downtown posters will be posted for the event. The "Pig & Wolf" project is moving forward. The artists have their statues. On May 25 all of the Pig & Wolf statues will be displayed together.

4. **Muster Day Report**

Muster Day, May 30th, is the start of the 250th Upper Valley Celebration. The Muster Day committee is meeting every week on Thursday. The event will include a dedication of park benches to Lillian Bailey and the Chambers Family. Jay Barrett will be the speaker.

5. **Spring Update**

All spring events are underway. Baseball has 5 teams in the K-3 group, including 2 teams of 2nd/3rd graders. The 3rd/4th softball group includes players from Lyme. A coach was still needed for 5th/6th softball. 7th/8th softball has 18 girls and is coached by Liz Burdette. Track and Field for 6th-8th graders is underway with 44 participants. Lacrosse has moved to the new format where the Rec Dept organizes only the 5th/6th grade teams. The 5th/6th girls team has over 20 girls.

6. **DACC Report** – DACC has not since met the last Rec Board meeting. Nothing to report.

7. **Reports from Directors**

Director, Hank Tenney

The Etna Fire Station fields will be renovated with funds from the Pig & Wolf project. The Rec Dept is waiting for funds from Pig & Wolf before proceeding with modifications to the land behind the Etna Fire Station that the Town purchased last year. The Thompson Terrace fields are in fine shape but Sachem is still muddy.

Assistant Director, Liz Burdette

Summer Camp

The Rec Dept is reviewing applications for camp counselors for this summer. The applicant pool has 10 applications for 8 slots. The late last day of school (June 23) poses challenges for getting counselors trained and finding a good start date for camp.

April 1 school dance

The school dance on April 1 was canceled due to a snow day.

April Vacation Camp

Enrollment is low thus far.

Next Event

The next special event is the 33rd Eggstravaganza at 12pm on Saturday, April 16. The event includes games and an egg hunt, divided by ages. Liz works with the 8th grade student council on this event. They stuff the eggs and volunteer at the event. It is great to have their help!

HASP

A vote to dissolve HASP is still coming in. If HASP is dissolved, the Town would start its own program.

After School Adventures, Nicole Leonard

Written Report submitted by Nicole

Special Events

The children enjoyed our half day trip on March 30th the River Valley Club. We had a rock climbing wall and swimming open for the kids to do in one hour blocks of time.

April 6th we had a tour of the new black and white exhibit at AVA Art Gallery in Lebanon and then made some black and white prints of our own in the art studio.

April 13th we will be working on creating a new ASA logo for our silk screen printing project we will complete on April 27th. Shelley Jarvis, from Windsor, VT, came to ASA last year and took our drawings (including things students have enjoyed at ASA so far this school year) and created a logo including a piece from each child's drawing. We are very excited to create a new logo.

Facility Manager, Sherry Colfer

Written report submitted by Sherry

- 1) A new Town website is up and running and we are learning how to use it and edit our pages. Any ideas please pass them on.
- 2) The dinner for Japan Relief was a huge success. We received only 89 advanced reservations but over 200 people attended the event. The food was donated and was delicious and the children really enjoyed the movie and doing Japanese paper crafts. All proceeds, along with those earned during the sell-out Pottery sale, will be wired to Japan.
- 3) Saturday is the Annual Egg Hunt at the Center...noon sharp! It is run in the conjunction with the RMS Student Council. Hoping to draw our usual large crowd.
- 4) On May 13 we are hosting a Family Music Event featuring Grammy Nominee Judy Pancoast. Judy is from Manchester NH and was a 2011 Grammy Nominee for "Best Music Album for Children" (she lost to Pete Seeger). Should be a great time!
- 5) To-date we have collected reservation revenue totaling \$52,909 for the fiscal year 2011. Last year at this time we were at \$48,276.

8. **New Business** – Further discussion of the possibility of adding an outdoor ice rink next to Campion.

9. Future Agenda Items

Volunteer of the Year.

Next Meeting – May 9, 2011 at 6:30 p.m.