

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Minutes  
Tuesday August 19, 2014  
Hooksett Municipal Building, Room 204

Attendance: Tom Prasol, Adam Jennings, Dave Elliot, Mike Young

**Meeting called at 7:11 by Tom Prasol**

No minutes received for June & July

No Public Input

**Recreation Dept. Report** - None

**Conservation Commission Report**

- Tom received copy of application from Steve Couture, HCC Chair. Application was for funding for the NHDOT Transportation Alternatives Program.
- The application was designed to request funding to help build scenic trails along the Merrimack riverfront.
- The proposed trails include:
  - Connector to the Heads Pond trail system already developed and being developed on the old Concord & Portsmouth RR bed in Hooksett.
  - Will provide major addition to NH's Granite State Trail System connecting Southern NH to Lebanon through Manchester.
- The funding will help with the costs of:
  - Footbridge from parking area to trailhead
  - 2 mi. routine trail construction
  - 1 mi. trail construction over abandoned RR corridor.
  - 1,000 ft elevated walkway materials
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    - **Total cost would be around \$336,000**

**HYAA Board Report**

- Softball/baseball finished, football/soccer going on

**New Business**

- **Tom Prasol received a comment from a person at work stating that the baseball fields in Hooksett were tremendously well kept and maintained. "Very professionally done." This comment was regarding the little league tourney during the**

**summer. (Congrats to Leo Lessard and the Parks and Recreation Department!)**

- **Dave Elliot asked why Hooksett does not have its own junior hockey leagues.**

Old Business:

- Pinnacle & Merrimack Riverfront
  - Pinnacle: overgrown brush in front of entrance. Would like to clean up entrance make more inviting and prevent ticks.
- Peter Brook Sport
  - No update

***5 year plan voting meeting:***

***Scheduled for October meeting (Tom cannot attend September meeting).***

Sport Field signage: updates as money is available

**Tom Prasol adjourned meeting at 7:30 (2<sup>nd</sup> by Dave Elliot)**