

**Town of Seven Devils  
Parks and Recreation Committee  
Minutes - Regular Session  
January 13, 2022**

The Town of Seven Devils Parks and Recreation Committee met at 9:00 AM in Town Hall on January 13, 2022.

Debbie Powers called the meeting to order. Members present were: Bob Bridges, Kay Lambert, Stu Ryan, Ed Beck and Freddie Blonshine. Anne Fontaine and Marino Fernandez attended via GoToMeeting.com. Faye Brock and Mark Williams were absent. Also in attendance was Wayne Bonomo and Chief Johnathan Harris.

Bob Bridges was nominated for Chair and Ed Beck was nominated for Vice-Chair. Both were unanimously approved. Freddie Blonshine was then appointed Secretary.

Kay Lambert made a motion to approve the Agenda with the following addition: Item 15a - Book Exchange. Ed Beck seconded. Ed Beck made a motion to approve the minutes and Kay Lambert seconded.

There were no citizen comments.

### **Old Business**

The Park at Seven Devils is the official name of the town park. Debbie Powers reported that well and septic permits have been received, and the Town Council has approved an architect for both plans. Public Works has the gravel to rough in 1/3 mile of the trail. There is a preliminary plan for power and security cameras throughout the park. Construction should begin in March.

### **New Business**

#### **A. Summer Programs**

1. Music on the Lawn - Two bands have already been booked, and the Committee ranked the following bands to fill the additional three slots: Chatham Rabbits, Presley Barker and Wayne Henderson, The Rockabillys, Super Sixties and Little Known Legends.
2. Bear Decorating Contest - Super Bears was accepted as the theme for the contest.
3. Yard of the Month - This program will continue during June, July, and August. Jewel McKinney will secure the judges.

4. Ranger Workshops - Three dates have been secured with Ranger Andy Sicard: June 10, July 8 and August 5. Suggestions for topics: stream side ecology, orienteering and bear talk.
5. Group Hikes - Bob Bridges will continue to lead this group with four scheduled walks in June, July, August, and September.
6. Group Walks - Ed Beck will continue to lead this group. Chief Johnathan Harris will help with any permissions needed for hikes outside of town limits.
7. Book Club - Laurie Kuzminski will lead the Book Club.
8. Pickleball - Marino Fernandez is the new lead for Pickleball.
9. Moonlight Canoe Trip - this event is limited to 10 and will be either June 10 or 17.
10. Art Classes - Liz Portuondo will be contacted to conduct a journaling class.
11. Yoga - Yoga will continue May through August. It was suggested to investigate a chair yoga class.
12. Exercise for Mature Ladies - Phyllis Miller will continue to lead this class on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.
13. CPR Lunch and Learn - This program will continue. It was suggested to send Matt Millsaps for additional training to lead this class.
14. Community Celebration Day - this event will continue.
15. New Ideas - Trunk or Treat to continue, Spring Plant Day, Community Garden, ongoing food donations to support hunger, Food Truck Friday.
- 15a. Book Exchange - a motion was made by Bob Bridges to recommend that the TDA fund purchase of new board games and books for the children's portion of the Book Exchange. Stu Ryan seconded, and it was approved unanimously.

**B. Arbor Day** - we have applied for renewal for Tree City USA and are waiting for the designation.

**C. Member Comments** - Debbie Powers reported we have applied for a 2-year extension for the Peak Mountain Trail grant due to COVID.

Thanks to Stu Ryan for taking over the decoration of the bear at the Community Center. Thanks to Jewel McKinney for all of her hard work.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 AM.