

**Town of Seven Devils  
Parks and Recreation Committee  
Minutes—Regular Session  
March**

The Town of Seven Devils Recreation Commission met at 9:00am in Town Hall on March 11, 2021.

Bob Bridges called the meeting to order and called the roll. Members present were Ed Beck, Bob Bridges, Faye Brock, Anne Fontaine, Kay Lambert, Lee Metzger, Martha Stearns, and Mark Williams. Wayne Bonomo, Brad Lambert, Jewel McKinney, and Debbie Powers also attended.

Bob asked for motions to approve the agenda and the minutes of the February 11, 2021, meeting. Anne Fontaine made a motion to accept the agenda. Kay Lambert seconded the motion, and it passed. Faye Brock made a motion to accept the minutes of the January 14, 2021, meeting. Anne Fontaine seconded the motion, and it passed.

**Old Business**

Jewel McKinney gave us an update on Old Town Hall. Exercise equipment and electrical outlets have been installed in the exercise room. Jewel and Debbie Powers are in the process of obtaining cable TV service. The exercise room will open soon, and a grand opening will take place in the summer.

Debbie Powers gave us an update on New Town Hall. A permit from the NCDEMLR is expected to be issued soon, and then grading can start. Public works has been clearing out old tires and trash from the wooded section. The town is in the process of purchasing an adjoining two and a half acres. TDA has funded a new mower to assist with maintenance of the property.

**New Business**

Jewel McKinney reported on planned summer programs. Faye Brock and Mary Metzger will be judges in the Yard of the Month contest. Contestants will be required to register.

There was a discussion about how to notify residents about how to get on the email list that is used to dispense information about programs and activities. Suggestions included notices on the town website and Facebook pages, notices on bulletin boards, a note on the drive-thru window, a notice in the water bill.

Jewel reported about some activities that have been scheduled since we met in February. Helga Kleinert will offer a photography workshop, Introduction to Waterfall Photography, on Saturday, June 12, from 11:00am-12:30pm. Details about a photography contest are still being worked out. Ed Beck will lead a group walk on Wednesday, June 16. Walkers will meet at Old Town Hall at 10:00am. The Moonlight Canoe Trip will take place on June 24. Mountain Home Bluegrass Boys will play at the Music on the Lawn concert from 6:00pm-8:00pm on August 13. Jewel is still working on details with Liz Tortuondo about an art class.

If state guidelines allow gatherings, there may be a community lunch and an Arbor Day celebration on August 13, which is also the day of the last Music on the Lawn concert.

Kay Lambert thanked Jewel McKinney for everything she does. Bob Bridges asked about a name for Old Town Hall. Debbie Powers said she had been calling it The Community Center. Bob suggested that we might ask for name suggestions from the community, with suggestions being sent to Jewel. Jewel will send monthly notices about town activities and also notices about activities each week. Debbie Powers reported that rack cards listing summer activities and events will be included in the May water bills.

Anne Fontaine made a motion to adjourn. Fay Brock seconded the motion, and it passed.

Submitted by

Martha Stearns, Secretary