

**Town of Seven Devils
Parks and Recreation Committee
Minutes—Regular Session
February 11, 2021**

The Town of Seven Devils Recreation Commission met at 9:00 a.m. in Town Hall on February 11, 2021.

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

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

Old Business

Jewel McKinney gave us an update on Old Town Hall. Exercise equipment will be delivered on February 18, and on February 19, outlets will be installed after the equipment is set in place. A lock system will be installed in the exercise room entrance door. Policies for the exercise room have been established, and everyone who has access will receive a copy. Bob Bridges recommended that one of the policies include a ban on mobile phone conversations. Mark Williams suggested that headphones be required when listening to media. The room will be cleaned professionally weekly, but will be cleaned more frequently if it becomes necessary. Users will be responsible for cleaning the equipment before and after use, and cleaning supplies will be provided.

Debbie Powers gave us an update on New Town Hall. Brush has been burned, and the town has applied for a permit to continue with the plans for the property. The town is gathering more information about possible trails. Only twelve percent of the area may be covered with structures, so gravel will be used for the parking lot.

New Business

Jewel McKinney reported on planned summer programs.

Two of the summer Music on the Lawn concerts have been scheduled. The Jeff Little Trio will play on Friday, July 16, and Woodie and the String Pullers will play on Friday, July 23. There will be a concert in August, but the group and the date are to be determined. Concerts will be held at New Town Hall if a space has been prepared. If not, they will be held at Old Town Hall.

Pickleball games will be played on Tuesdays and Thursdays, starting Tuesday, May 18 and continuing through Thursday, September 23. There will be pickleball clinics for beginners, and Lee Metzger said he might hold clinics for more advanced players if there is enough interest. Debbie Powers and Jewel McKinney have contacted some tennis court companies to look at the courts and

consider ways to adapt them for pickleball, and they will schedule a visit after the snow melts.

The book club will meet at 2:00 on the fourth Tuesday of each month May through September, and the book club is open to anyone. Jewel McKinney has made a brochure that provides information about the book club, and information is also available on the town website.

Yoga classes will be held in Old Town Hall on Saturdays from 9:00 to 10:00, starting on May 17 and ending on August 28.

Exercise for Mature Ladies will be held at Old Town Hall from 9:00 to 10:00 on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, May 17 through October 15.

There will be three Ranger Workshops—Thursday, June 3 at 1:30 in Old Town Hall, Thursday, July 8 at 1:30 at Otter Falls, and Thursday, August 12 at 1:30 at Otter Falls.

There will be group hikes on four Fridays—June 18, July 30, August 27, and September 10.

A moonlight canoe trip is proposed for June 24 or 25.

There will be a CPR workshop with lunch at Old Town Hall on Tuesday, August 10.

We discussed ideas for new activities.

We decided to go forward with a Yard of the Month award during May, June, July, August, and September. Homeowners would probably need to register if they want to participate or could be nominated by others. A sign would be posted in the winner's yard each month. Judging details will be worked out later.

Ed Beck will plan a group walk to be held during June. If participation is good, additional walks will be planned.

Helga Kleinert will teach a photography class at 11:00 on June 12 in Old Town Hall if enough people register for it. There could also be a photo contest for class participants, with photographs featuring Seven Devils..

Jewel McKinney will contact Liz Tortuondo about teaching art classes.

We will sponsor a Christmas decorating contest. Details will be finalized later.

Jewel McKinney reported that she had surveyed community members about ideas for activities via email and the town Facebook website. Suggestions included concerts, a community picnic, bridge games, a farmer's market, and a Christmas decoration workshop.

Debbie Powers said that a day-long celebration may be planned on the same day as the August Music on the Lawn concert. Rack cards listing summer activities will be included with the May 1 water bill. Rental agents will get information about summer activities.

Fay Brock made a motion to adjourn. Kay Lambert seconded the motion, and it passed.

Submitted by

Martha Stearns, Secretary