## Seven Devils Recreation Commission January 17, 2012

The Seven Devils Recreation Commission met at 4:30 on Tuesday, January 17, 2012. Members present were Anne Fontaine, Lou McLean, and Martha Stearns. Tom Bookstaver was absent. Kay Lambert, Leigh Sasse, and Brad Lambert were also present.

Martha Stearns nominated Anne Fontaine to continue as chair of the Recreation Commission, and she was elected unanimously. Because all members were not present, the choice of vice-chair was tabled until the February meeting.

So far, there are two applicants for membership on the Recreation Commission. Applications will close before our February meeting, when we will make recommendations to the town council. Then the town council will choose new Recreation Commission members at their March meeting.

It was decided that we should request the town council to place the Recreation Commission as a line item in the budget. This would provide funds for printing of walking route brochures, other possible printing costs, recreation projects, and publicity.

Anne Fontaine announced that the artists' group has requested membership cards. This would allow them to obtain discounts at local art stores. There was a discussion about a possible art show or donations of art connected with SafetyFest. The Recreation Commission would like to offer duplicate library books for donations at the 2012 SafetyFest. There was also a discussion about providing a children's activities booth.

The Great Backyard Bird Count will take place February 17-20. To encourage participation of Seven Devils residents, we will host a meeting at Town Hall on Saturday, February 11, to discuss how to participate and which species might be seen. Anne Fontaine will locate a person who is knowledgeable about birds to lead a discussion.

Anne asked for ideas about some additional activities that the Recreation Commission might sponsor this year. Suggestions were group walks, exercise classes, participation in litter sweeps, and development of a PARS course on town-owned land.

It was decided that our meeting in February will be devoted to a discussion about the playground project.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30.

Submitted by Martha Stearns, Secretary