

**** Minutes of the Parks and Recreation Meeting, May 22, 2003 ****

Attending were Kenneth Andersen, Denny Byrnes, Jane Crooks, Annemarie Harris, John Parry, and Frank Pilar from the Parks and Recreation Committee, Nancy Lambert from UNH Cooperative Extension, and Tony Federer, mapmaker from Durham.

I. The Minutes of April 24, 2003 were approved.

II. There were no public comments.

III. Discussion Items

1. Mike Lynch, Director of Public Works, reported on three items.

A request by private citizens for permission to build two baseball dugouts at the Father Lawless Woodridge Recreational Fields was discussed. The Committee approved the request unanimously.

Some of the present playground equipment at the Father Lawless Woodridge Recreational Fields is made of pressure treated lumber and is a potential health hazard. It needs to be replaced. A letter urging that this be done will be sent to the Town Council via Todd Selig.

We were brought up to date on the construction of two soccer fields at the Town gravel pit on Packers Falls Road, a project which has been under consideration for some time.

2. Review of the accuracy of the "Outdoor Recreation Sites" 1991 publication.

Kenneth Andersen, Jane Crooks, John Parry, Frank Pilar, Melanie Rose and Laurel Adams are to update

the descriptions of the recreational sites which they visited using the format used in the 1991 Conservation Commission brochure. Ken Andersen will collect the revised information and put together an updated brochure during the summer.

3. GPS/GIS trail mapping.

A subcommittee (John Parry, Nancy Lambert, Tony Federer, Melanie Rose and Laurel Adams) will meet before our next meeting on June 26 to plan how to proceed in mapping trails in Durham.

4. Mill Pond Brush Clearance

John Parry, Bill Skinner and Mike Lynch marked brush which needs to be cleared from the banks of Mill Pond. A brush clearing "party" is scheduled for May 31st from 9 to 11 am. Volunteer workers are needed. Bring gloves, clippers, saws and perhaps waterproof boots.

There being no new business the meeting was adjourned at 9 pm.