

Parks & Recreation Committee Minutes,
Thursday, October 23, 2003
Durham Court House

Attending were: Ken Andersen, Denny Byrne, Jane Crooks, Annmarie Harris, John Parry, and Frank Pilar.

I. Approval of the Minutes of September 25, 2003

The minutes were approved.

II. Public Comments.

There were no public comments.

III. Discussion Items.

1. Review of our descriptions of the Durham recreation sites.

The descriptions were deemed ready to post on the Durham web site. Ken Andersen will follow up on this. Mike Lynch will be contacted about placing trail signs at various places, especially trailheads.

2. Review of the "Recommended Site Activities."

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3. Discussion of Melanie Rose and Laurel Adams trail stewardship proposal which will eventually be included with items 1 and 2.

Melanie Rose sent a copy of her and Laurel's proposal to us. We suggested some changes. A copy of the amended proposal will be sent to Rose and Laurel for their comments.

4. Update on trail mapping project by John Parry.

John gave us an update of the proceedings of the Trail Mapping group's Monday, 10/21/03 meeting. A hands-on introduction to the use of UNH's GPS instrument will be on Saturday, 11/1/03 at 9 am beginning at the entrance to East Foss Farm. Plans are proceeding to have some maps and trail descriptions on the Town web site in the spring, 2004.

5. Skateboard update by Denny Byrne.

Denny informed us that steps to build a skate board park in Durham are going well. An effort to secure funding through grants is in progress.

6. Selection of November, December and January meeting dates.

To avoid meeting on Thanksgiving, our next meeting will be on Thursday, November 13 in the Court House, if it is available. No December meeting is planned. The January meeting will be on the fourth Thursday as is usual - 1/22/04 - at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers.

7. Plans for the coming year.

Copies of the Recreation Chapter from the Town's Master Plan 2000 were distributed. We hope to discuss their suggestions to see if they can form the basis for our future work.

IV. New Business

There being no new business the meeting was adjourned at about 9:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth K. Andersen