

**Parks & Recreation Committee Minutes**  
**Thursday, January 29, 2005**  
**Durham Town Hall – Council Chambers**  
**7:00 PM**

Attending: Ken Andersen, Denny Byrne, Jane Crooks, George Lamb, Jerry Needell, John Parry, and Frank Pilar

Frank Pilar was drafted to act as recording secretary. The meeting was called to order by Chair Andersen shortly after 1900 (that's 7 p.m. for all you landlubbers!)

I. There were no public comments.

II. The minutes of 16 December 2004 were approved.

III. Discussion Items

1. Jane Crooks, chair of the Trail Policy subcommittee, reported on their activities. A full report will be made available at a future date. A copy of a Trail Grant application was passed around. Some needs mentioned include money for signs and trail marking and precisely what such signs should contain.

2. John Parry mentioned a proposed Forest Service program re trails for handicapped persons.

3. Denny Byrne suggested the use of UNH students for volunteer trail work in an Adopt-a-Trail program.

IV. New Business

1. The Planning Board is discussing rezoning in the Beech Hill area. Some abutting residents are concerned about possible deleterious effects on the area. One major concern is upgrading the status of Beech Hill road from Class VI to Class V. It was suggested that our committee needs more specific information before we develop an opinion on this matter. Chair Andersen will draft an appropriate letter for approval by our committee.

2. Denny Byrne suggested that the Town Council be questioned about their intent to deal with the 2000 Master Plan. The Parks and Recreation Committee would like to develop its own plans consistent with the Master Plan goals. Denny will discuss the Master Plan at our next meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2023.

Respectfully submitted,  
Frank L. Pilar, Secretary