

Durham Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting Thursday, March 15, 2007, 7:00 PM, Town Hall

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Chair Parry called the meeting to order at 1910 hours. Andersen, Crooks, Lamb and Parry in attendance
Minutes of Feb 15 meeting reviewed and approved as written.

Public Comment: None

Recent Correspondence

Chair Parry has received an e-mail from Steve Cardwell conveying appreciation for work done by P&R Committee on Longmarsh trail and Jackson's Landing Projects. Parry will bring copies to next meeting.

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Organizational Items:

Committee Vacancies

Current vacancies 4; 3: Regular, 1 Alternate

Byrne joined the meeting at 1925 hrs.

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Joint Meeting with Con. Comm and LRAC :

Meeting held in March. Crooks and Parry attended.

Roles and objectives of parties need clarification. Crooks will meet with Cynthia Belowski to define roles. P&R members agreed that trail rehab and trail signage are activities of interest.

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Update on Public Survey for Recreation in Durham

Over 400 responses received by survey team. Question about yield vs cost of sending out fourth mailing. Survey results seen as vital element in preparation of P&R strategic plan. Byrne will contact Bob Barcelona and determine plans and status.

Review 2007 Project List:

Discussion of impact of defeat of ORYA warrant article to construct playing fields at High School. That plus indication of preferring to go it alone expressed at the meetings suggest the need for a careful documentation of needs and a program to convey the information to town residents.

3 Town Committee Update::

First meeting held December 21, chaired by Cathy Leach. Areas of common interest and enthusiasm not easily identified. Second meeting attendance disappointing. How or whether to proceed not evident.

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New Business/ Announcements: None

Lamb recommended that P&R limit areas of effort to Jackson's Landing and trails improvement projects.

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Easter Egg Hunt:

A great program that is in need of a sponsor/coordinator/implementer. Can P&R step in and get it done in two weeks?

Decided to give it a try. Will see if it can be returned

to the town landing site. Crooks will take the lead. Other members offered to help.

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Strategic Planning - > Confirm Process, Discussion of Vision, Mission:

Discussion deferred until receive survey results.

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Meeting adjourned at 20:50.

Respectfully submitted,

George Lamb