

Draft Minutes for Johnson Sk8Park & Bike Track Committee Meeting
Town Offices, 5:00 p.m., Thursday, November 2, 2017

Present were: Casey Romero, Howard Romero, Jon Girard, Rick Aupperlee, & Greg Fatigate

1. Call To Order Meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m.
2. Minutes of October 5, 2017 Rick moved to approve as presented; approved by consensus.
3. Directors Orders No Oct. bills so far, but we need a dumpster pickup, some possible maintenance items before year's end, and a final Town payroll bill. Casey said we've received our FY 2018 Town allocation of \$3800 plus \$6500 in grants for Bike Terrain, so anticipated expenses can be covered. Estimated current balance is \$14,359. She reported conversation with Brian Story re: need to increase Town allocation to cover payroll and basic maintenance and services. She asked for \$7000; Brian thought that was reasonable and will relay that request to Selectboard. Rick asked about need for a petition; that's up to the Selectboard. They are working on their budget now. Casey will work on 2018 budget and Report for Town meeting.
4. Site Manager's Report On Nate's behalf, Casey reported that he's mostly been doing cleanup and minor repairs, and that Park use is winding down.
5. Laraway Report Rick said their Open House went well and that business leaders understood and appreciated that the Park works via a collaboration: Town, Committee, and LYFS. They are concerned about lack of free, local recreation for youth and believe the Park helps meet that need.
6. Bike Terrain Project: Grants & Fundraising update; Act 250 requirements; work with Brooke Scatchard (Sinuosity Design). New grants mean we have \$6500 for project work; another \$2500 grant application was submitted but won't be decided until December. Casey described progress in meeting Act 250 requirements; apparently our initial application for Administrative Amendment can include the Terrain project, once more documentation can be provided, hopefully by end of November.

Greg asked about GIS maps and drawing programs. He'd like to experiment with what he can come up with to avoid outside expense on this. Howard suggested a program; Casey will get info to him about Town's GIS program; Greg will shoot some sitelines, and we'll see what is possible. The Act 250 app. does need more specific info about proposed design than Howard's sketch provides, but we do have a GIS map of site from LCPC.
7. Jon Girard: Basketball Hoops Update Another stand has been donated; it needs a hoop (est. \$200). Jon will store it at his house and we can look for a hoop later on. He suggested we set them up at the far end next spring and see how much use they get. If well-used, we will talk to Selectboard about paving etc. needed to set them up going across that road. Agreement by consensus.
8. Mon. Nov. 6, Sports Management class at the Park, 11:45 – 12:30. Casey described the class; she and Greg will present info about the Park. There is good potential for more collaboration and student volunteer work via Andrew LaFranz's Sports Management program: he sees more collaboration as mutually beneficial.
9. Review revised Mission statement: *To give youth, young adults and families recreation opportunities in a site that is safe and free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol. Also consider describing our goal: to operate and improve the Park to support responsible riders and their friends & families.* Discussion of how Mission statements are used, and the difference between Mission statement and Goals. Consensus: this is workable.

10. Other Business Greg will be gone in December and January. Our next meeting will be Dec. 7.

11. Adjourn By consensus, meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.