

**Town of Seven Devils
Tourism Development Authority Meeting
January 26, 2016**

The Town of Seven Devils Tourism Development Authority met in regular session on Tuesday, January 26, 2016 at Town Hall. Chair Bill Wilkinson, Member Anne Fontaine and Member Tom Gidley, Town Manager Debbie Powers and Finance Officer Helga Sappington were present.

Call to Order

Chair Bill Wilkinson called the meeting to order at 9:05 am.

Adopt Agenda

No agenda for January 2016. The TDA revisited the November 2015 agenda.

Approve Minutes

Anne made a motion to approve the minutes of November 24, 2015. Bill seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Citizen Comments

Kay Lambert thanked the TDA for funding the children's section in the Town's library. Brad Lambert suggested the need for "Keep Seven Devils Beautiful" signs, to prevent littering.

Larry Fontaine talked about the matching PARTF grant the Town received for further development of Otter Falls. The Town will start adding new trails in summer.

Old Business

- The members decided against bear proof trash cans for the Otter Falls parking lot.
- There was a discussion on the tennis court maintenance. Tom will check on cost, and Anne will gather more information about community interest and cost of adding Pickle-Ball to the tennis courts.

New Business

- Debbie volunteered to find out about cost and gather samples of signs to prevent littering.
- The committee agreed to sponsor a children's soccer team with players from the Seven Devils community (\$225.00). This request was presented by Skip Watts at the Recreation Committee meeting.
- The TDA asked for the public works department to take down the Christmas lights.
- The TDA suggested inviting Scott Stewart to talk about Firewise Communities Program.
- Debbie volunteered to gather details to meet the standards to qualify for Tree City USA.

- The TDA will revisit helping the Town with funds for the PARTF matching grant if needed in the future.
- Anne will talk to Randy about writing an article on the Connect NC bond proposal.

Financial Statement

- Bill made a motion to approve the November 2015 and January 2016 financial statements. Anne seconded the motion and it was agreed upon unanimously.

Adjourn

At 9:35 am, Bill made a motion to adjourn. Anne seconded the motion and it was agreed upon unanimously.