Town of Seven Devils Recreation Commission Minutes--Regular Session February 20, 2012

The Town of Seven Devils Recreation met at Town Hall at 4:30 on February 20, 2012. Members present were Anne Fontaine, Lou McLean, and Martha Stearns. Tom Bookstaver was absent. Also present were Kay Lambert and Leigh Sasse.

Martha Stearns made a motion that we recommend to the Town Council that the commission consist of six members rather than five because of the amount of work to be done and that Kay Lambert and Leigh Sasse be added as new members. Lou McLean seconded the motion, and it passed.

It was decided to request the Town Council to add the Recreation Commission as a line item in the 2012-2013 budget at \$50.00 per month to support printing costs, activities, seminars, and workshops.

There was a lengthy discussion about playground equipment. We decided to develop separate areas for younger children and older children in stages, starting with one piece of equipment and adding more as funding is available. We will request \$5000.00 from the Town Council for the first stage.

The Recreation Commission will not sponsor participation in the North Carolina DOT litter sweep April 14-28 because of limited population in Seven Devils at that time. Instead, we will place an article in the *Seven Devils Echo* encouraging citizens to pick up litter as they walk on the roads.

The Bird Watching workshop scheduled for February 11 was cancelled because of snow, but several Seven Devils residents participated in the Great Backyard Bird Count, and we will publish the results in the next *Seven Devils Echo*. We will sponsor a bird-watching workshop during the summer.

Possible activities of the Recreation Commission were discussed, including workshops, classes, seminars, group walks, and a children's booth at SafetyFest. We will definitely have a book sale at SafetyFest. Lou McLean volunteered to be in charge of this.

Next month we will discuss activities for SafetyFest and summer workshops that we might offer.

Submitted by: Martha Stearns, Secretary