

**Town of Seven Devils
Recreation Commission
Minutes--Regular Session
April 9, 2013**

The Town of Seven Devils Recreation Commission met at 4:00 in Town Hall on April 9, 2013. Members present were Anne Fontaine, Kay Lambert, Leigh Sasse, and Martha Stearns. Tom Bookstaver was absent. Ed Evans was also present.

Chair Anne Fontaine called the meeting to order and distributed copies of the agenda.

Leigh Sasse made a motion to accept the minutes of March 12, 2013. Kay Lambert seconded the motion, and it passed.

New Business

The playground cleanup will occur soon. We will visit the playground to see what is needed.

Old Business

Anne Fontaine reported that she has ordered a permanent sign that we can use to announce recreation events. Additional letters are available. The sign cost \$150.00, including shipping.

A tentative date for the kite workshop is June 14, which is after the school year is completed. The workshop will be for children and adults and will be held at the Seven Devils Resort Club. It will include information about the history of kites, and participants will make kites and fly them. We will provide water and cookies.

The next workshop is the Grandfather Mountain State Park wildflower walk on Wednesday, April 17. Walkers will meet at Town Hall at 9:00 and carpool to the Profile Trail.

Anne Fontaine will contact the rangers at Grandfather Mountain State Park about other possible workshops.

Kay Lambert will provide boxes for donations to Recreation Commission projects at SafetyFest. Anne Fontaine has ordered prizes for the children's activities. Anne will

also make pictures of the playground to be displayed at SafetyFest to illustrate the results of donations made for the playground at previous SafetyFests.

Leigh Sasse presented a form that Walking Challenge participants could use to chart their mileage. We decided to adopt this form. We will also keep a list of residents who have entered the Walking Challenge. We will place a graphic of a mountain on a board attached to the back of the sign in front of town hall. As the number of miles walked increases, we will paint the mountain from its base upward. We decided to award a certificate to each participant at the 100-mile point. Each participant will receive a certificate recording the total miles at the end of the challenge. The two walkers who have walked the most miles will receive a walking stick at the rewards program on October 8, 2013.

At the end of the meeting, we went to the playground to assess what cleanup is needed. Some fallen branches need to be picked up, and some leaves need to be raked. The equipment should be wiped off. The picnic tables need to be replaced, because one of the benches is broken, and they are full of splinters. One bench on the tennis court is broken and needs to be replaced. A sign designating the parking area is needed, and a sign identifying the private road should be installed. A Saturday work day will be scheduled soon.

Our next meeting will be May 14, 2013.

Submitted by:
Martha Stearns, Secretary