Town of Seven Devils Recreation Commission Minutes--Regular Session August 13, 2013

The Town of Seven Devils Recreation Commission met at 4:00 in Town Hall on August 13, 2013. Members present were Anne Fontaine, Kay Lambert, Leigh Sasse, Mike Potter, 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.

Mike Potter made a motion to accept the minutes of June 11, 2013. Leigh Sasse seconded the motion, and it passed.

New Business

Mike Potter reported that it doesn't make sense to use social media to advertise recreation events, because it would be a complicated process. He recommended that we continue to use the town website to publicize events. Ed Evans said that the town website will be redesigned to eliminate scrolling. There will be a separate tab for Recreation, and news about events will be easy to access.

Fifty-five people attended the bear workshop. It was so popular that we will repeat it in the spring. Suggestions for new workshops include mushrooms and animals and birds present in Seven Devils (bobcats, coyotes, groundhogs, turkeys, and owls).

Anne Fontaine announced that Grandfather Mountain State Park will hold a Nature Journaling workshop at the Profile Trail from 1:00-4:00 pm, August 22. If there is enough interest, we could organize a car pool from Seven Devils.

Anne Fontaine reported that we have \$495.43 remaining in this year's budget and \$360.68 in PBSD. We also received \$250.00 in donations at SafetyFest, for a total of \$1106.11.

Old Business

The structure that will shelter the picnic tables at the playground has arrived. Town employees will erect it when they catch up on other projects.

Anne Fontaine reported that residents have walked 3287 miles so far. We will have our Walking Challenge celebration on October 8 at 4:00 instead of our regular meeting. Our refreshments will be a cake, trail mix, energy bars, and beverages. Key Lambert, Leigh Sasse, and Martha Stearns will provide refreshments.

The prize for the walker with the most miles will receive a \$25.00 gift card and a walking stick that names the challenge and the number of miles walked. Other top walkers will receive gifts cards for \$20.00. Top walkers will also receive gag gifts, such as Bandaids, Ben Gay, etc., and ribbons. Mike Potter will provide the walking stick. Anne Fontaine will get ribbons and the gag gifts. We will make final plans at our September meeting.

Anne Fontaine reported that the Art Guild has not been meeting. We will publicize it next year.

We will probably not need to meet in November or December, so in September we will make membership recommendations for new terms. At our January meeting we will organize and go over the Recreation Plan.

Leigh Sasse made a motion to adjourn. Mike Potter seconded the motion, and it passed.

Submitted by: Martha Stearns, Secretary