

**Town of Seven Devils
Parks and Recreation Committee
Minutes—Regular Session
October 14, 2021**

The Town of Seven Devils Parks and Recreation Committee met at 9:00 a.m. in Town Hall on October 14, 2021.

Bob Bridges called the meeting to order. Members present were Martha Stearns and Mark Williams. Ed Beck, Faye Brock, Anne Fontaine, Kay Lambert, and Lee Metzger were absent. Jewel McKinney, Debbie Powers, and Johnathan Harris also attended.

Mark Williams made a motion to approve the agenda. Martha Stearns seconded the motion, and it passed. Martha Stearns made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 16, 2021, meeting. Mark Williams seconded the motion, and it passed.

Old Business

New Parks and Recreation Committee member applications are due November 1. Two citizens have already applied. Four current members' terms are expiring. Ed Beck and Kay Lambert are applying for another term. Lee Metzger and Martha Stearns are not.

Debbie Powers reported that the grading inspection was approved. Parts of the silt fence remain but will be removed when the project is finished. A 2.0 map has been developed, and it shows the location of the planned amenities.

Town Council has deferred a decision on a name for the park. Jewel McKinney is going to send a list of all the suggested names to Parks & Recreation committee members so that we can rank them. This will help us make a decision about our recommendation for a name.

We looked at Banner Elk's Rules and Regulations Governing the Use of Town Parks and discussed what our Parks & Recreation Ordinances should include.

New Business

Jewel McKinney reported that so far, seven participants have signed up for Trunk or Treat. She hopes that more will sign up.

We will plan to have Lite the Nite December 3. There will definitely be lights, but other activities will depend on the COVID State of Emergency existing at that time. There will also be a food drive to support Feeding Avery Families.

Seven Devils will apply to remain a Tree City USA. We have met all the requirements. We will also apply to the NC Legislature for approval of our Tree Ordinance.

Debbie Powers reported that Town Council passed a Bear Ordinance, so Seven Devils is now a BearWise Community.

Jewel McKinney would like to have suggestions about music groups to contact about performing at the five concerts planned for next summer.

We discussed potential new activities for 2022. Suggestions included a plant sale, a men's book club, classes about how to use equipment in the exercise room, and art/craft gatherings where people could meet and work on their projects.

Pickleball players sent a note of thanks to all involved in getting the pickleball/tennis courts resurfaced to provide dedicated pickleball courts.

Bob Bridges commended the appearance and effectiveness of the new Seven Devils Community Center signs.

We will not meet in November or December, so the next meeting will be January 13, 2022.

Mark Williams made a motion to adjourn. Martha Stearns seconded the motion, and it passed.

Submitted by
Martha Stearns, Secretary