RECREATION & COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES COMMISSION Tuesday, March 1, 2011 - 7:30 pm Town Hall Community Room

Special Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: 7:33 pm by Chair, Troy Lake

ROLL CALL OF COMMISSION MEMBERS

Present: Troy Lake, Chair, Laura Petix, Gordon Hansen, Juan Arriola, Gay Wagner,

ARRIVING LATE: 7:40pm Kaye Johnson, at 9:25pm Ed Burchfield

ABSENT: Mark Davis (Vice Chair), Charlie Young (alternate), Dan Meade (alternate)

SEATING OF ALTERNATES: None

AUDIENCE FOR CITIZENS:

Dayna McDermott: Questions were posed regarding the requested funds of surplus to YS, what is the criteria of scholarships, and indicated that the REC Commission has no authority to disperse public funds. Surplus was designated to be kept for a larger funded project for the community. Also, indicated that this public money that is being discussed and the public has a right to know how this money is being spent that is being requested.

Kathy Newcombe: Has information regarding #3 on New Business, also questioned why the Community Center ran out of oil. Encouraged the REC Commission to determine who is responsible for the building under the guidelines of the Steap Grant.

Chairman Troy Lake: Agreed and will look into it.

Allan Cahill: Indicated that an alarm system should be in place to warn oil company of getting below the desired temperature.

Gay Wagner: Indicated that this is being done, HCC has a warning system, it just isn't working at the time, but is being corrected.

Sue Hochstetter: Commented that the REC Commission should be fair to all entities YS, adult/family and Playscape.

Christine Ayotte: Encouraged the REC Commission to consider the children of YS.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Troy Lake: Read letter from Brian K. Murphy regarding funds for YS and from Tara Murphy regarding funds for Youth Sports (**Attachment A**)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES for Agenda January 27, 2011

Minutes Approved, unanimous.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Kaye Johnson: Reported bank balance as of January 31st, 2011, \$11,711 this is a carry forward for the current fiscal year.

OLD BUSINESS:

MOTION: Motion was passed unanimously to move agenda item #3 under New Business to be heard before item #1 under Old Business.

Item #3 Under New Business: HRCA support of blood drive in Hampton. Kathy Newcombe of the *Gazette* would like to co-sponsor with the REC Commission and the *Gazette* to for a blood drive to take place in the Spring of the year.

MOTION: Passed unanimously to aid and support the *Gazette* in this blood drive.

Old Business Item #1:

Discussion and potential action on division of funds with YSC.

5 Different options were discussed to determine how to divide funds with Youth Sports:

- 1)Amount requested by YSC in October of 2010 (Attachment B)
- 2) Balance at 'merge of committees' end of FY08 (Attachment C)
- 3) Split bank balance end of year 2010 (Attachment D)
- 4) Playscape Earmark, then split the remaining balance (Attachment E)
- 5)Earmark Playscape money at \$8,000 and division of funds (Attachment F)

Discussion took place as to how to vote on these options.

By majority vote, Option #4, Playscape Earmark was decided how to divide funds with Youth Sports: Playscape earmarked with \$5,000. Splitting the remaining balance of \$6,711.17 = \$3,355.59 - Youth Sports check of November 20, 2010 of

\$2,270.00 givings YS \$1,085.59

Item #2: Finalize budget and budget request to Town

MOTION: Finalized budget unanimously accepted. (Attachment G)

Item #3: Approval of revision recommendation to Town Ordinance concerning HRCA Commission (Attachment H)

This had been approved, adding some definitions and information regarding alternates to the revision. (Attachment I)

Item #4: Community Center Endowment Fund Management

Discussed the how the endowment fund originated. Agreement was made with the Grange Restoration Committee and the REC Commission that 1/2 of all fundraising monies will be put back into the Endowment Fund for second generation care of the building. 3 Options were presented by Gay Wagner:

- 1. A line item on the Town Budget as to the money is.
- 2. An ordinance created outline what the fund and the appropriate use of the funds
- 3. Create a 501.C3 Fund with another Commission in town that has one, a suggestion was made that the Historical Society may be an option. Currently, the Trustees of the Historical Society have not been presented with this option.

Discussed that the fund was not for recreation but for restoration. Chair Troy Lake requested all endowment information be presented to him so that he may review.

Item #5: Commission Membership - 2 potential vacancies Motion made by Laura Petix to nominate Matt LaFontaine to the REC Commission. **Motion passed: 6 yes, 1 abstaining.**

Item #6: Update on potential donation of Organ from Claire Donahue-Hicks Motion: to have the further investigation into the condition of the organ before accepting donation. **Motion passed: unanimous.**

Item #7: Process for initiation of Public Hunting research activity: Motion: Add this activity to the Outdoor Sub-committee. Motion passed: unanimously

NEW BUSINESS:

Item #1: Summer outdoor play - Flock Theatre
Possible dates for the play Aug 25-28.
Item #2: Request for funds in support of Little River Music Series
Motion: passed, 1 abstaining: Funds have been approved.

Item #3: HRCA support of Blood Drive in Hampton:

This item has been discussed under Old Business.

Item #4: Future event discussion - Laura Petix

Discussion for possible dates of Windham Band Concert, Puppet Show - get DVD of show. Also discussed an example of Mandolin making by Bob Inman.

AUDIENCE FOR CITIZENS

Allan Cahil: asked for the number of people currently serving on the REC Commission.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn at 9:48pm, Motion passed unanimously.

Next REC Commission meeting is scheduled for April 28, 2011 at 7:30.

Minutes submitted by:

Qaura Q. Petix

Laura L. Petix Secretary