03-18-15 Meeting

Board Members Present: Andrew French, Livy Strong, Marcy Gibson, Jim Massingham

Board Members Absent: Robert Naylor, Marie Lynch

Guests Present: Quinn and Beth Hopwood, Jacob Wechsler, Andy Leach, Carol Smith

Meeting begins 7:05pm

Jacob as a boy scout wants to build a wheelchair accessible ramp at the gazebo, between 10 and 20 ft, and it doesn't need to be straight (can have a 90 degree turn). Also benches around the railing, flowers around the gazebo, and then finally some trail work. Stairs would remain, the ramp would be on the side, and would be in an L shape. Wide: 48in with railings on both sides. Livy thinks it would possibly be better to have it on the left side, because of potential sledding on the right side. He would make an effort to plant flowers around the gazebo, or shrubs, something that would not require very much care. He only needs approval from us, and will incorporate everything into one project. In terms of things to do, boy scouts have determined that grounds maintenance is important because you can incorporate many different age groups into it. Mr. Leach: there are lots of Eagle Scouts coming up in the next few years, and so there will be a lot of things to do. Scout will do a formal write up of the plan and come back to us. He has out initial approval though.

Motion: To approve the initial stages that have been outline just now. Passed.

Quinn: Brought in a sample of the signs he has proposed previously. 18x5 ½. Painted. Composite. He wonders whether we would like it with an arrow painted on, or cut on the end into an arrow on the end? We like the cut end.

Kiosk drawing and plans: 10ft tall with 3ft under the ground. 4ft of the ground a cross bar, with signage. Then a roof on top, whatever material we want. Shingles would look the most natural. There could maybe be a plexiglass cover on hinges. The board would like that. Location: somewhere near the trail entrances, up in the Upper Meadow.

So shingles, plexiglass cover, entrance by the upper meadow entrance. And cut sign w/ large letters, painted.

Quinn wondered if he could do some sort of fundraising at the summer concert series, but as a board we decided that it would not be for the best, since we tend to shy away from any sort of stands in general.

Carol will go to the selectboard meeting tomorrow night to seek appointment to the JUPD board.

Park Management: Compost: Livy put a 'pick a poop' initiative online, basically take an extra bag and pick up an extra poop, and people have been doing it! Livy has been going through the bags very quickly.

Andy will install the garbage buckets next week/weekend. He will call gauthiers and set up pick up for: sometime soon. Location: perhaps its best to have its own post installed, and by the portapottys.

We will put a tarp over the compost piles or something, and add signage. People will be well informed that they are no longer to be used.

Sled for poop hauling was stolen. So we'll need a new one.

A fencepost is gone, probably snow plow related. Gazebo bannister sections have been pulled out, but are still there. It could have been there before but Livy has just noticed it. Basically a rash of vandalism lately.

Trail Grant: update Jim: he got an email from Sherry Winney, department of VT parks and rec. They do not like the maps we submitted. So we need to put more details on the maps, Bob needs to be back to do it. He needs to update the waypoints and add them all to the map.

Also trails: Jim got an email from the Browns River Middle School biking club. They would like service activity ideas. Maybe picking up branches and general trail clean up? Send them to the upper trails. Jim will get back to them. Bikes are allowed everywhere in the park, all trails.

Green up day: 1st Saturday of may. Livy always gets interest, she says yes depending on the weather. There are girl and boy scouts, and families. In the past it has turned into a real service day. Do we want to organize it into a thing?

Plenty of ideas. We think it's a good idea.

Graffiti cleanup: andy will try to get some removal product and try it on the sign.

Mowing bid: we have not received any bids so far. Livy will go get the mail on the day of collection. Livy will give Neil a nudge.

Portalets: normally we wait till may but with spring sports starting in April we will need them. When the fields dry out. Girls lacrosse wants April 1st.

Events: Summer Concert series: start looking at your calendar for july and august for days we can do. Livy is unsure if Code 11 is playing the last Wed on June. They have not got back to her.

Other business: We should take a look at the management plan before summer and re do it/update it. And then we will have to solicit public feedback. Jim suggests that we do it more in the beginning of the night (at a meeting). We can look at it the first meeting of May.

Approval of last weeks minutes: Approved.

No financial report.

*Need check from Eric Barker. Andy will follow up. He may be waiting to hear from us about how much he needs to pay. He should pay for portalet, security deposit, and a whole week of gazebo for \$50.

Meeting adjourned 8:16pm

Submitted by Andrew French