HEATH PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE –

MEETING MINUTES

June 10, 2020, REMOTE ZOOM MEETING, 7:30 – 8:30 AM

Committee Members: Kate Peppard (chair), Michael Cucciara, Jenna Day, Bobby Honeycutt, Shahid Jalil, Lyra Johnson-Fuller

1) Trail Woodlands Partnership Grant (Project Lead: Mike Cucciara)
   a. Heath Parks & Rec has been awarded $20k Grant
   b. Plan for purchase of materials and some construction by June 2020 – DEADLINE EXTENDED
   c. Planning for volunteer labor amidst COVID-19
   d. Mike wants submitting for another trail grant for a piece of property (11 acre) that provides a direct connection to the state forest. Would create a publicly owned right of way.
      i. Jenna moved to approve Mike’s application for this additional grant, Shahid seconded.

2) Trail Clean-up Plan/Schedule (Project Lead: Jenna Day/Mike Cucciara)
   a. Discuss in July

3) 5 Mile Fun Run - Heath Fair (Project Lead: Shahid Jalil)
   a. HEATH FAIR CANCELLED
   b. Shahid decided to postpone until 2021

4) Discuss options for socially distant activities
   a. Bike parade?
   b. Star gazing?
   c. Work on maintenance – take this time to improve our existing infrastructure
      i. New picnic tables (Kate & Mike to get pricing)
      ii. Bench at basketball courts, new nets, paint lines, repair backboards (Jenna to lead)
      iii. Weeding the gardens (all – as you have time)
      iv. Gym Inventory by fall (Lyra)
   d. Communicate with BOH on any activity/potential activity (Jenna)

5) Develop List of Parks & Rec Obligations
   a. Current “official” charge: “Care of the parks”
   b. List of items understood to be in Parks & Rec purview:
      i. Maintain basketball court (paint white lines, repair hoops, new nets)
      ii. Repair/replace picnic tables and playground equipment
      iii. Work on implementation/development of Shapiro land management

6) GROUP OBJECTIVES FOR 2020
   a. Series of Trail Cleanup Days– get to know your woods (invite Art Schwenger to our next meeting, get maps and information)
      i. Kate to invite Art to meeting in July
   b. Gym Inventory & Open Gym (proposed by Lyra)
c. Burnt Hill – Catamount Trail Development (Actions: Kate Peppard, Mike Cucciara, Jenna Day, Bobby Honeycutt)
d. Water Access for Swimming – ongoing (Action: Kate Peppard)
   i. Rowe is open to this discussion, but needs to put off potential
e. Trail Maps - Connect with organizations that manage the parkland so we can develop trail maps (Jenna to contact Land Trust & New England Forestry Foundation)
   i. Sascha Johnson mapped trails for the BHC trail
   ii. Kate to contact Land Trust to see what maps exist
   iii. Mike to send GIS data to Jenna for map production

7) Kate to send email with dates for next meeting
8) Meeting adjourned 8:26 AM