

**Minutes**  
**Alton Parks and Recreation Commission**  
**December 5, 2012**  
**A.V.A.S. Building, 6:30pm**

Members Present: Cathy Burke, Elizabeth Shelton and William Lionetta

Staff Present: Kellie Troendle

***Call to Order***

The Meeting was called to order at 6:30pm.

***Approval of Agenda***

E. Shelton made a motion to approve the Agenda as presented; motion was seconded by C. Burke and passed.

***Approval of Minutes***

C. Burke made a motion to approve the Minutes of October 17, 2012 as presented; motion was seconded by E. Shelton and passed.

***Old Business***

Basketball- K. Troendle reported there are 98 players enrolled in the basketball program. For 1&2 grades there will be 4 teams for 7 weeks that focus on the fundamental skills at PMHS from 8:00am-9:45am. The same skills will be practiced consistently each week followed by scrimmage games. 3&4 grade girls and boys have two teams each; 5&6 grade boys have 2 teams and 5&6 grade girls have 1 team. Alton Central School will host weekday practices for grades 3-6 with games on Saturdays in Gilmanton, Barnstead, New Durham, PMHS- Alton (1:45pm, 2:45pm and 3:45pm games) and Wakefield. Games start January 5, 2013.

Light Up Night- The Light Up Night Program was successful and many businesses participated including: Alton Home and Lumber, Profile Bank, Alton Dance Academy, Alton Therapeutic Massage, Mountain Bread and Preserves, the Barber Shop and Hair Salon. The Gilman Museum was open thanks to E. Shelton who volunteered to staff the open house. The Dickens Carolers performed at Town Hall and in Monument Square. Little Pesaukees co-sponsored the kids craft at Town Hall. Santa arrived on the fire truck to Town Hall to visit with Alton boys and girls. The Historical Society participated with an open house at the J. Jones building and Gilman Library. It was noted PMHS Band was not able to participate because of a prior commitment.

Many positive comments were received about the event and many people were happy to see the Museum and its contents for the first time. E. Shelton suggested opening the Museum for the Memorial Day Parade and Old Home Day. E. Shelton also suggested staffing the Museum in the summer for set hours- maybe a high school student would be interested in working at the Museum for community service hours.

You Tube Video- The Director brought forward the request of the Town custodian to post a You Tube Video of the Light Up Night event. After discussion the Commission recommended to not post videos to You Tube due to privacy of individuals and security of Town Buildings.

### *New Business*

Milfoil Committee- K. Troendle reported the Milfoil Committee met with the Board of Selectmen, Water Superintendent, Water Commissioners and DES on November 14, 2012 in an effort to work together to discuss options for milfoil treatment in the Merrymeeting River. The meeting did not produce an agreement on a chemical solution and the BOS recommended funding for DASH treatment for 2013.

Old Home Day- The Director informed the Commission that no one has volunteered to help serve on a committee that would coordinate Old Home Day activities. K. Troendle stated that adding more events to Old Home Day is not something the Parks and Recreation Department will be physically able to do because their hours are already scheduled with existing programs and events.

Winter Carnival- The Commission discussed the Winter Carnival event and noted that no date was set by the ABA at this time. The Director stated the traditional date is the Sunday before President's Day and that would be the likely date. The Commission discussed activities to sponsor including: the Great Alton Bay Bed Race, and a DJ. The Commission recommended changing the Scavenger Hunt into a photo scavenger hunt where a number of things (like 50) would be listed and participants would need to find the most items by taking a picture with a camera or phone or any media. It was recommended to include items from Alton Bay to the Village and things specific to Alton or that Alton is known for.

Face Book- The Commission discussed providing links to the Town Web Site to get schedules and to post friendly reminders about special events. The Commission discussed ways to increase the number of people that would join to get information. It was noted more pictures would be great including the two community center buildings so people interested in renting them for functions could view the interior.

Water Bandstand- C. Burke noted repairs are still needed at the Water Bandstand.

### *Adjournment*

E. Shelton made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:25pm; motion was seconded by C. Burke and passed. **The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 9, 2013 at 6:30pm at AVAS.**

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Kellie Troendle, Certified Park and Recreation Professional  
Parks and Recreation Director*