Minutes Alton Parks and Recreation Commission December 1, 2010 A.V.A.S. Building, 7:00pm

Members Present: William Lionetta, Gerry Theodora, Elizabeth Shelton and Steve

Renner.

Staff Present: Kellie Troendle

Call To Order

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

Approval of Agenda

E. Shelton made a motion to approve the Agenda as amended; motion was seconded by S. Renner and passed.

Approval of Minutes October 13, 2010

W. Lionetta made a motion to approve the Minutes of October 13, 2010 as written; motion was seconded by S. Renner and passed.

Old Business

2010-2011 Basketball Program— The Commission reviewed a letter from E. Clark in regard to recommending 8' rims for 1&2 graders and 9' rims for 3&4 graders in the Parks and Recreation Basketball program. S. Renner noted that the Buildings and Grounds Committee at the Alton Central School did review this issue and decided at this time to not recommend the installation of adjustable rims because of the undecided plans for the gymnasium space. The Commission discussed the benefits of the lower rims and also the high cost for a program that does not generate revenue. The Commission discussed alternative ideas and agreed with the use of PMHS for Saturdays. The rims are adjustable and would accommodate the coaches' request. The Saturday scheduled time would be for skills building for 45 minutes and games for 45 minutes with Alton teams. The rims could be lowered and players would be able to play home games and get more playing time. The Saturday practice for the 1&2 grades would also allow more gym time for the other Parks and Recreation teams during the week at ACS.

<u>AYL Update-</u> The AYL is working with the Town Administrator to draft a Warrant Article for field improvements.

<u>Jones Field Security</u>- G. Theodora reported the system is up and operating and the camera needs to be mounted higher.

<u>Flag Football-</u> E. Shelton reported that the NFL does not currently have an adult program. The Commission discussed forming a league in the fall similar to the Adult Softball Program and trying to get a program started.

Wolfeboro Parks and Recreation Program Fees— The Commission discussed the non-resident fee versus the resident fee that the Wolfeboro Parks and Recreation Department utilizes- specifically for their skating rink and ski area. The Town of Wolfeboro was contacted and they said that Tuftonboro and Brookfield residents pay \$6.98 per resident to support the programs and facilities that their towns have access to in Wolfeboro and if Alton was interested in getting the non-resident fee it would be approximately \$31,605.00 per year. The Commission discussed not recommending that the Town of Alton pay a grant in order to get the resident fee for Alton residents and that Alton residents pay the non-resident fee if they want to participate in Wolfeboro sponsored programs.

<u>Light Up Night-</u> The Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring the annual Light Up Night on Saturday, December 4 starting at 5:00pm at Town Hall. The following events are scheduled: Tree Lighting by ABA; Little Pesaukees- Craft Social; Historical Society Open House; Santa and Caroling at Town Hall; Cookies and cocoa at Town Hall by the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center; Hayride sponsored by Alton Home and Lumber; Refreshments sponsored by Profile Bank; Alton Dance Academy performances and more.

New Business

<u>Little Pesaukees Payroll Authorization Forms</u>- K. Troendle reported that the Little Pesaukees Program received a grant for \$7,500.00 from the NH Charitable Foundation. The Commission members signed the payroll forms for the 2 directors and 2 staff helpers which will be paid for out of the grant monies.

<u>Snow Shoe Hikes-</u> The Commission discussed offering additional Snow Shoe Hikes in an effort to encourage residents to get outside and enjoy nature. The Commission suggested theme hikes and also Cross Country Skiing one or two times this season.

<u>Winter Carnival</u>- K. Troendle reported that the ABA may be interested in taking over the Winter Carnival event and possibly changing the date of the event. The Commission said they tried to change the date in the past and had negative feedback about that but if the ABA is interested in taking over the event they did not have a

conflict. The Commission noted the growth and additional events and activities that the ABA added to Winter Carnival. The Commission is open to a collaborative effort or in the ABA running the event in 2011 with approval from the Board of Selectmen. K. Troendle will contact the ABA and ask about their sponsorship plans for the event1. The Commission discussed other events that could take place during the Winter Carnival like cro-pucky or a Winter Triathlon.

Adjournment

G. Theodora made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:20pm; motion was seconded by E. Shelton and passed. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 12, 2011 at 7:00pm at AVAS.

Respectfully submitted,

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