



# NH Recreation & Park Association

*Get out and enjoy life!*

## NHRPA Meeting Minutes January 8, 2020

**In Attendance:** Kerry Horne, Matt Casparius, Craig Fraley, Sarah Hooper, Renee Sangermano, Kristine Flythe, Meagan Henry, Dan Sturgeon, Dan Lamoureux, Erik Bukowski, John Kohlmorgen, Janet Horvath, Krystal Alpers, Donna Kuethe, Leslie Dion, Dan MacLean, Gina Richford, Rick Alpers, Chris Wilkins, Christine Collins, Scott Blewitt, Rene Boudreau, Tara Barker, Dyana Martin, Jessica Tennis, Sarah Bailey, Peter Waugh, David Gill, Kourtney Darrow, Bridget Hart, Sondra Jones, Brooke Wakefield, Rachel Gasowski, Erick Amero, Deb Brown, Tara Tower, Greg Bisson, Ole Anderson, Herb Greene, Ed Winters, Eric Feldbaum, Wendy Werner, Arene Berry,

Meeting Opened: 5:05 pm

### **Finance Report:**

Arene presented an update on the budget. We are 50% of the way thru the year.

David Gill made a motion to approve Finance Report; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tara Tower. Report approved by all.

### **Executive Director:**

Kerry reported that there are some updates to the training calendar.

- On March 12<sup>th</sup> there will be a NH Beaches & Pools Workshop which will be held from 9:00 – 12:00 pm at Health Trust.
- On May 7<sup>th</sup>, there will be a Playground maintenance workshop in Concord.

Kerry then talked about elections for next year's Executive Board. Elections are held in the Spring and then the ballot is sent out electronically. If you are interested in serving on next year's Executive Board reach out to Kerry Horne or Craig Fraley.

The deadline for the next newsletter is coming up quickly on January 15<sup>th</sup> and Kerry is still looking for content. Content could include showcasing a new program or event or news from your Department. If you have content send it to Kerry before the deadline.

### **Presidents Report:**

Craig reported that in November; the Executive Board held a work session with all of the Committees. Part of the discussion at that meeting was trying to get more people involved on the various Committees. He encouraged everyone to be an agent of change and get involved.

### **New Business:**

**Awards Committee:** The Awards Committee has decided that Awards are going to be separated out from the State Conference and will be held in December instead. The idea is that it will be more of a stand-alone social event separate from the State Conference. It will also give people a longer period of time to nominate recipients. Kerry stated that she really wants to see nominations from every category every year; which we have had recently.

**State Conference Committee:** Krissy reported that she is looking for suggestions for topics for this year's State Conference. She also mentioned that if you see a really good speaker that you think would be valuable to the State Conference send her those suggestions.

**Legislative:** Eric reported that LWCF has lots of money and didn't get many applications this year. He encouraged everyone to start thinking about potential projects in case they open up another grant round for this year.

**Wink Tapply:** Dan reported that this year's Wink Tapply Workshop will be held on June 6<sup>th</sup>. It will include a full day and will include a waterfront module. Dan also mentioned that he is looking for additional people to join the planning committee.

**General News:**

Donna Kuethe is retiring from Moultonborough on September 1<sup>st</sup>. Congratulations to Donna!

Northern New England Parks & Recreation Conference: Tara reported that conference evaluations will be coming out soon. She also encouraged everyone to stay for tomorrow's endnote speaker.

Adjournment: Craig Fraley made a motion to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Donna Kuethe.

Meeting Adjourned: 5:25 pm