Meeting Minutes
April 14, 2014

Members Present: Bob Hardy, Peter Fogg, Marina Sumner, Bill Lawrence, & Katherine Dawson

Visitor:

Call to Order 6:00PM:
Reviewed the landscaping bids, Total Grounds was the low bidder at $12,245.00. Marina made a motion to hire Total Grounds, Katherine gave the second, all were in favor.

Vince Paratore joined the meeting representing the defunct Main Street Organization. They discussed canvas covers for the Pavilion winter activities. Vinyl, canvas, plastic and polyethylene materials were discussed for ease of use and longevity. Vince took measurements of the area to be covered and will email them to Bill.

Bill discussed the Main Street flags that are left; some in poor shape and should be removed. There is no continuing maintenance on them as the Main Street organization has disbanded. Bill will be giving the stores their flower barrels.

Bob said the electric bill seems to indicate the heater in the maintenance room at Riverfront park has been running high as the bill is over $300. The heater at the ballfield is still running as that bill is over $100.

Bob asked if everyone was okay with the dates for the Wildlife Encounters event, yes. Bill has checked on letter sizes and availability for a sign. We need to take pictures and measure signs and letters and email to members to get a better idea of what size letters are visible to motorists. Katherine will go around and take pictures and measurements of area signs.

Fish and Game will do a lets Go Fishing at RIVERFRONT park on August 10th. Need a minimum of 8 and a maximum of 20. Bill will take a sign up sheet for the store and a poster.
Bob could not get a response from Audubon Society so he will contact The Squam Lake Science center for other discussion/demonstration of local animals.

Discussed having the football team slice seed the ballfield. The drawback would be the little league would not be able to practice there while it is being seeded. Bob suggested calling UNH Cooperative Extension Service to ask them to come up and advise us on caring for the ballfield.
When are we taking the ice rink down? Bob reported the rink liner is still frozen in some ice and we will have to wait to break it down. 3:00 Saturday April 26 we will take the rink down.

The agricultural center would like to cut some deadwood and create small animal habitats in Buffalo Park. Katherine suggested they ask the Conservation Commission's permission they are the stewards of the property the Parks Commissioners were asked to do the yearly normal maintenance. Bill asked who and how it would be overseen.

Paul Rushlow will start as soon as we need him. Bob will call him and reinforce his need to monitor the park for vandalism and make note of it. Bob will ask Paul to wrap the trees on the river side of the retaining wall as we have had beavers gnawing down trees along the river's edge.

Jon Bosely gave Bob a contact for security. Bob would like to have him come to the next meeting in May and discuss the current system at Riverfront Park and beefing up the security at the Ballfield.

Katherine confirmed that Byron's Septic would clean the units twice a week. Bob made a motion that we use Byron's this year, Bill gave the second, all were in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm