Minutes North Yarmouth Parks & Rec July 27,2017

In Attendence: Scott Kerr

 Ken Filliter

 Bryan Emerson

 Jim Faunce

 Steve Palmer (guest)

1.) Minutes taken by Bryan at last meeting (approved) Also Annual Report approved and will be submitted to town.

2.) Steve gave an overview of the proposed Kite Festival as follows…

 - October 7th, 11-4pm @ Old Town House Park (NO RAIN DATE)

 - Approx 5 pro-kiters expected

 - Games for kids, hay mountain, big bubble machine, BOL races, possible kite making help, etc.

 - There will be a band, either Pan Fried Steel Band or Marimba

 - Extra porta-potties

 -Food and drink available TBD on details

 - Other committees will provide publicity

 WOULD LIKE OUR SUPPORT/HELP

3.) Bike racks being used at Stones. Need to check with NY Variety if they would be interested. Scott will investigate

4.) Cindy Guernsey still working on big map for Chandler Brook. (KF to follow-up in a few weeks)

5.) Clark has agreed to plant trees. KF to work on getting this to happen in early fall.

6.) Scott has checked out the GIS software that is available on-line. He reports it’s “clumsy”. (not user-friendly) The capability is certainly there to help but may take some work/time to use all the features of the software.

7.) KF has checked on knotweed at OTH. In pretty good shape. Need to follow-up again in late August.

8.) Sam Ristich and Chandler Brook have huge blown-downs. Need to get Public Works to address, Jim to check on Sam Ristich to see if anything has been done.

9.) For an unknown reason, public works cleared the trees surrounding the drainage ditch at Wescustago. This is frustrating both because we are trying to plant trees and we also were not notified. KF remarked that overall Public Works does not communicate well with us and we need to be better informed/have a better relationship. Suggestion we work through Rosemary

10.) Scott is interested in re-establishing contact with the snowmobilers such that we can work with their trail system. KF believes there are 2 organizations now, the former Moonlite sno-skimmers is now Cumberland and NY is combined with Pownal (?). SK will try and establish contact.

11.) Scott suggested we take over management of the town forest. To our knowledge there is no active town management at this time. VOTED ON TO PROPOSE THAT WE ASSUME THIS RESPONSIBILITY.

Adjourned @ 8:29 PM