

Ingleside Utilization Committee (I.U.C.)  
Meeting Minutes  
**Monday, June 26, 2017**

Present: Dave Romanowski, Francis Murphy, Brian Dickens, Jane LaPointe, Greg Vine, Lucky Belcamino

Absent: Guy Corbosiero

**Agenda**

**MINUTES:**

1. Review minutes from June 13, 2017

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Review action items from June 13, 2017

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Introduce guest - Dave Walsh
2. Property security discussion
3. Fall Festival Update
4. 2017 projects discussion
  - a. Entry way
  - b. Picnic area
  - c. Pond Access
  - d. Trails
5. Member & volunteer recruiting
6. Discussion on fundraising

**ADJOURNMENT**

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Meeting called to order at 5:33 p.m.

Minutes from June 13th, 2017 meeting were approved with an amendment for attendance.

Chair Dave noted to Secretary Brian that while action items are noted by others within meeting, the action items of the committee should be included in the minutes Brian completes and shares with the committee.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Guest Dave Walsh: Chair Dave informed the committee that Winchendon Police Chief Walsh was not going to attend this meeting as planned, but said Mr. Walsh would attend the next meeting.
2. Skipped until next meeting

3. Fall Festival Update: Chair Dave is attending a planning meeting for Fall Fest at the Crafty Cauldron on Tuesday, June 27, 2017. Fall Fest's date is now October 7, 2017.
4. 2017 projects discussion
  - a. Entryway: Lucky mentioned that she is talking to someone about donating a 3x5 foot wooden sign to put up at the entry way, but all she needs is a final name for the property to put on the sign. The committee discussed a different name for Ingleside that would be more familiar to the community. Observing the name of the nearby Whitney Pond, the committee decided to rename Ingleside "Whitney Park - A Winchendon Community Project".
  - b. Picnic Areas
  - c. Pond Access
  - d. Trail Construction; Options and costs for tree removal
  - e. Barn renovation- the barn needs to be appraised for its structural integrity by an engineer or carpenter, perhaps Mark Landanno or Noel Veilleux. Also estimate for preventative maintenance. Need to clear brush and trees growing near foundation to prevent root damage
5. Member & volunteer recruitment: the committee should compile volunteer and survey info, and also boil down the town's executive summary of our committee into something more digestible for interested, potential committee members.

So, the committee drafted a mission statement to share with the public. The following statement was agreed to unanimously agreed to by the committee:

"...to support the town in the development and preservation of Whitney Park in order to promote its use as a multipurpose community resource."

Member recruitment ... "members of the community who bring a unique perspective and interest who are willing and able to commit 10 hours per month to moving this project forward. The committee meets the 2nd Tuesday and 4th Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Town Hall. Priorities for the next 12 months include: build picnic areas; improve, expand, maintain trail network; build wildlife viewing areas; improve entrance; improve access to Whitney Pond."

6. Discussion on fundraising: moved to next meeting.

Dave mentioned that he could get the committee on the agenda for the upcoming Board of Selectmen meeting on July 12, 2017. (Post meeting update. BOS is on summer meeting schedule in July. Only meeting is July 17, 2017.)

Individual action items for meeting:

- Lucky: Contact wooden sign donor
- Lucky: write DCR about land use, get recommendations
- Lucky & Greg: contact Courier about member request
- Greg: Contact forester, Mr. Valcourt

- Dave & Jane: write plan for committee's first year
- Dave: report from 6/27 Fall Fest Meeting
- Brian: invite North County Land Trust exec. to a meeting
- Brian: keep list of committee contacts available to committee

For whole committee:

- What is Whitney Pond named for?
- Sign - check for compliance with any Town sign ordinances
- Try to get one guest per session of committee meeting.
- Get barn analysis info from Mark Landanno, Noel Veilleux or others
- Ask historical society (or historic commission) folks about barn
- Member recruitment: each member draft a proposed recruiting letter for our July 11th meeting

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

*Next meeting:*

*July 11, 2017 at Town Hall 4th Floor Conference Room*

Minutes Approved July 11, 2017