

Approved BASIC Meeting Notes 10-4-12

Members in attendance: Marty Vallender, Dennis Wygmans, Francine Vallario, Patrick Clark, Melissa Clark, Spencer Crispe (Quorum has been met)

Others in attendance: Jessy Cudworth (assistant director of Rec & Park), Sam Drowley

1. Approve minutes from 9/6 - approved
2. Public Participation – Larry Doucette attended the meeting to present a donation from Vermont Yankee Charity Golf Tournament. He stated that once the participants found out the funds were being given to BASIC, the donations increased. They raised the most ever, and \$2,597.00 was presented to BASIC. He also stated that their committee often gets involved with community service projects and they would be happy to help us out.
3. Community Forum De-brief –
 - a. Everyone from BASIC had positive feedback from the design meeting. The Rec and Parks Dept. has also been getting feedback at their meetings about the Crowell Lot.
 - b. The negotiation between the town and school board states that 18,000 square feet was leased to the town for the skate park but we can only have 10-11,000 sq ft of skateable space within that area. We discussed and voted unanimously to ask the school board for permission to build a walking path around the entire park as part of the design. Although this would be using space not originally leased to the town, we feel providing a walking path of that length that could be used for exercise would improve the Crowell Lot tremendously and help people to become more positive about our mission.
4. Media Resources –
 - a. The BASIC website is not currently working. Dennis is trying to get it fixed. If he is unsuccessful, we may have to create a new website.
 - B. There is a new town social media policy stating that we need to get permission from Carol before we post anything in the media. The only ones who have permission from the town to talk to the media are Marty, Carol Lalotte, and Barbara Sondag.
5. Fundraising – Spencer and Marty met once to work on grants. We will try to have a couple people meet each week to continue on grants and/or send letters to professional skateboarders or companies that might be willing to donate.
6. Set Next Meeting - We will each take turns bringing an outside person to every meeting to help drum up more support and bring new energy to the group.

Next meeting October 18th at 6:30 PM Hannah Cosman meeting room. #