

Approved BASIC Meeting Notes Sept. 10, 2014
Gibson Aiken Center Conference Room, 6:30 PM

Members in attendance: Joe Bushey, Jeff Clark, Melissa Clark, Spencer Crispe, Francine Vallario (Quorum has been met)

Others in attendance: Carol Lolatte, Sam Rowley, Marty Fitzgerald, Patty Fitzgerald

Include motions of selectboard minutes

1. Adjust meeting agenda – Although quorum has been met, Spencer and Carol were not present at the beginning of the meeting. Therefore agenda items #4 and #5 are being moved to the bottom pending their arrival.
2. Approve meeting notes from August 18, 2014 - Approved
3. Public Participation – No public participation
4. Elect new Vice Chair
5. Discuss items to be addressed regarding new site
6. Fundraising –
 - a. BASIC is considering spending some of the cash we've raised to pay for the feasibility study required for the use of the Theresa Brundgardt area. Carol states that we would first need to contact our donors with a letter asking if we can use the money they donated for the feasibility study because if the area fails the study, then the money will have been spent and will not be able to be returned. A return postcard or email address needs to be included in the letter so they can reply within 2-3 weeks. Spencer will work on editing the previous donation letter that was used in the past, so it will be ready to be sent out once we've heard back from the previous donors. Town meeting members may also be potential donors that we should reach out to.
 - b. We also need to send a letter to The Tony Hawk Foundation with an update and asking if they still support the new site.
 - c. Joe will check with Greg Worden to see if BASIC can set up in front of Vermont Artisan Designs at the October Gallery Walk.
 - d. A rally was held Friday evening by skateboard enthusiasts and supporters of the new skatepark. This was not a BASIC sponsored event. \$196.65, 20 Euro cents, and 20 Pence was raised and donated to BASIC.
7. Agenda item #5 – Discuss items to be addressed regarding the new site at the Theresa Brundgardt area of Living Memorial Park - Carol Lolatte, Jeff Clark, Joe Bushey, Adam Hubbard and Rod Francis, Town-Planning Director, met on Friday to discuss BASIC's next steps, as follows:
 - a. Carol will be meeting with the Theresa Brundgardt family at the

- end of the month to get their permission to use their area.
- b. Adam will work with Carol to address the current uses of all the park areas that will be affected by the skatepark. An RFP will need to be written by Carol (and probably Adam) to have the feasibility study done. The study will need to be done for the entire area of Living Memorial Park that will be affected, not just the skatepark area. State officials from Rutland may be able to investigate the site and advise us whether the site is likely to pass the feasibility study.
 - c. During the Selectboard Meeting on 9/2/2014, the following motion was presented to the board: MOTION BY JOHN ALLEN TO AUTHORIZE THE DEVELOPMENT OF A SKATEPARK AT THERESA S. BRUNDGARDT SENIOR AREA IN THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LIVING MEMORIAL PARK. This motion means that the entire footprint of the skatepark must reside entirely within the boundaries of the Brundgardt area.
 - d. During the Selectboard Meeting on 9/2/2014, the following motion was also presented to the board: MOTION BY DAVID GARTENSTEIN TO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ARTICLE ON THE MARCH, 25 2015 TOWN MEETING WARNING: "SHALL THE TOWN OF BRATTLEBORO ALLOCATE \$20,000 FROM THE UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE TO ASSIST WITH INVESTIGATING FEASIBILITY AND ASSIST IN DEVELOPMENT OF A SKATEPARK AT LIVING MEMORIAL PARK." This motion means that BASIC may use the funds raised by donors for the feasibility study and if the town approves contributing \$20,000 at the March 2015 town meeting, then that \$20,000 can be used for other areas of the project. However, if the Brundgardt area fails the feasibility study, then we may not use the town money towards another location.
 - e. Electrical and sewer lines run through the Brundgardt area that will need to be addressed in the design.
 - f. The right of way to the Brookside Commons is outside of the Brungardt area.
 - g. Act 250 permits will need to be applied for.
 - h. Carol and Adam will meet again within the next few weeks to continue with the issues that they will be addressing.
8. Changes to website – Rebecca Sevigny has worked on updating our website. She has added information regarding the results of the site selection as well as new photos.
 9. Item #4 – Elect new Vice Chair – Melissa nominated Joe Bushey as vice chair. The committee voted and approved, 5-0.
 10. Set date of next meeting – Monday Sept. 29th, 6:30 pm, Gibson Aiken Center Conference Room.

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