

Approved BASIC Meeting Notes Jan. 23, 2018
Gibson Aiken Senior Center, 6:00 PM

Members in attendance: Jeff Clark, Melissa Clark, Spencer Crispe,
Elizabeth McLoughlin, Matthew Rink (Quorum has been met)

Members Absent: Francine Vallerio (excused), Joe Bushey, III
(unexcused)

Others in attendance: Carol Lolatte, Peter Van der Does

1. Adjust meeting agenda – Non profit status added to #4, United Way added at Item #7
2. Approve notes from 1/9/18 - Approved
3. Public Participation – Peter has provided us with a list of potential donors. The Foundation Center for Grant Seekers at the library and the Grand List through the town are other great places to look.
4. Non-Profit status – Play, Inc. is the fundraising side of the Rec & Parks Board and can act as a Fiscal Agent for us so we can apply to grants as a 501(c)(3). No GISDT would be required. Carol will speak with them at their next meeting for approval to use them for grant applications
5. State Farm Grant – declined
6. Walmart Grant - grant application timeline hasn't opened yet. Will check back in February. Price Chopper and Hannaford are other avenues for grants
7. United Way – BASIC contacted the United Way regarding potential grant funding. We were advised to look into the Spark Fund which has a \$2,500 maximum grant amount. A BASIC member may need to go to a Grant Seeker Forum meeting in February to apply. BASIC is waiting back for confirmation from United Way on their requirements.
8. Town Meeting – The Selectboard suggested at a recent meeting that the town donate another \$20,000 to the skatepark. The Selectboard will vote on this at their special budget meeting and if approved it will be added to the agenda for Town Meeting Day. BASIC should attend town meeting to answer any questions regarding the status of the skatepark. Town Meeting is Sat. March 24th.
9. Tarrant Foundation
 - a. Jeff reached out to Alec Beck from the Tony Hawk Foundation for advice on reaching our goal for the matching grant. Their advice was to be sure we include info on how/where to donate (website and/or address) in all advertising so people can donate right away and make it easy for them to donate.
 - b. Melissa reached out to Lauren Curry, our Tarrant Foundation

contact, for advice. She liked our current campaign ideas but also suggested they would be open to us including another foundation or person to add to the matching grant to create a bigger incentive. BASIC will consider this

- c. Time Period – May 1st through June 30th
 - d. When to announce - BASIC will confirm the official paperwork is received from the foundation before any announcements are made publically. Sat., April 28th will be the intended date for the official announcements to be made. A possible event to kick off the campaign was mentioned
10. Set Date of next meeting - Feb 6th 6:00 pm Gibson Aiken Center
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