

**BEECH MOUNTAIN PARKS COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
DECEMBER 7, 2005**

**I. Call to Order**

Chairperson Reub Mooradian called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. in the Town Hall Council Chambers. Other members present were Jim Brooks, Randy Corn and Brad Mettee. Also present were Public Works Director Riley Hatch and Outdoor Recreation employee Thomas Brown. Mayor Owen arrived at 10:20 a.m. and Councilman Mr. Chamberlin arrived at 10:30 a.m.

**II. Consideration of Minutes – November 2, 2005**

Mr. Brooks moved to approve the minutes of November 2, 2005 with the addition and comments regarding a second employee for trail maintenance and planting of flowers to be discussed in March, 2006. Mr. Mettee seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**III. Recreation Center – Rosemary Burnett** – Ms. Burnett was not in attendance. Mr. Hatch reported that the humidity level would be tested again today; flooring could not be installed until the humidity is below 5%. Mr. Hatch also noted that the mirrors had been installed in the exercise room and the drainage for gutters was being worked on. Mr. Mooradian asked about the deck noting that it would not be a good idea to have hikers walking on the deck to get around the building. Mr. Hatch indicated that the trail would not be across the deck, it would be rerouted around the deck.

**IV. Sledding Hill Committee Report** – Mr. Brooks reported that the Chamber of Commerce office was not open on Thanksgiving Day; however the office would be open next Thanksgiving. Mr. Brooks noted that the snow machine was ready. Mr. Burleson asked that trash containers be placed in the sledding hill area. Mr. Brown reported that he would be keeping track of the busy times for the hill. Mr. Chamberlin recommended looking at the EMT calls as an indication of when the busy times were, noting that it is holiday's and weekends. Mr. Mooradian asked about employees on weekends, a lengthy discussion followed. Mr. Brown noted that he was not scheduled to work on weekends. Mr. Brooks recommended taking off the slower days, Monday and Tuesday. Mr. Hatch noted that parking was an issue that had to be watched, noting that in the past sledding hill employees were in charge of patrolling the parking areas.

**V. Staff Report – Thomas Brown**

Mr. Brown reported 1) All Town Parks had received regular maintenance for the winter. 2) Restrooms at Buckeye Lake have been winterized. 3) Mr. Brown indicated that trail work had slowed down due to activities surrounding the sledding hill. Mr. Brown's report is attached.

**VI. Other Business**

*a.* Mr. Brooks asked for an update on the DOT plans for Beech Mountain Parkway to which Mayor Owen indicated that he would call the representative for an update.

*b.* Mr. Brooks reported that he and Mr. Brown had not walked property behind the Beech Alpen Inn down to the Tamarack area and Perry Park.

## **VII. Adjournment**

Upon a motion by Mr. Brooks, seconded by Mr. Mettee, the meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Reba Greene  
Town Clerk