

BEECH MOUNTAIN PARKS COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
APRIL 4, 2007

**I. Call to Order**

Chairperson Reub Mooradian called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. in the Town Hall Council Chambers. Other members present were Gil Adams, Jim Brooks and Calder Smoot. Also present were Town Manager Michael Boaz, Public Works Director Riley Hatch and Outdoor Recreation employees B. J. Hughes and Sean McNay.

**II. Consideration of Minutes – March 7, 2007**

Mr. Brooks moved to approve the minutes of March 7, 2007 as submitted. Mr. Smoot seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**III. Staff Report –**

a. Mr. Hatch reported that the sledding hill had been cleaned up for the season. Mr. McNay reported that the parks and picnic shelter had been cleaned as well as the Elder's property across from Town Hall that is used for sledding hill parking. Mr. McNay also gave a brief update on projects that needed to be taken care of, the tennis courts would need some maintenance, trail signs would need to be updated, the bathrooms at the picnic shelter opened and a number of other projects. Mr. Adams asked about the bridge on Upper Pond Creek Trail to which Mr. Hughes responded that it was very sturdy, it just does not look good. Mr. Hughes also indicated that a reporter from NC Living magazine was interested in doing an article on the Town's hiking trails.

**IV. Budget -** Mr. Brooks asked that the budget include sledding hill maintenance such as the access panel and the need for a new truck and additional fencing. Mr. Hatch noted that the Town was not yet hooked up to the ski resort's water for snow making and pointed out that more fencing at the top of the hill would make grooming difficult. Chairman Mooradian indicated that jobs such as fencing should be outsourced as he felt the public works employees were busy with other projects. Mr. McNay noted that he had made a list of budget items and would pass it along to Mr. Boaz for budget considerations.

**VI. Other Business –** There was no other business to discuss.

**VII. Adjournment**

Upon a motion by Mr. Brooks, seconded by Mr. Smoot, the meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Reba Greene  
Town Clerk