Town of Barnes Tourism Committee Meeting Monday, November 2, 2015 8:30am

Members present: Julie Bohl, Carol LeBrock, Melissa Scully, PJ Foat, Dana Hodowanick, Tom Krob, Mike Tremblay

Also present: Bruce Hanson, Susan Pagnucci

8:31 am Chair PJ Foat called the meeting to order.

1. Verification of public notice/quorum established

PJ verified public notice had been posted per state statues. PJ conducted a roll call of members present to establish a quorum; quorum established.

2. Agenda and October 2015 minutes approval

Carol made a motion to approve the agenda as posted and also the minutes from the October meeting. Mike second; motion carried.

- **3. Vatten Paddlar update**. Tom discussed that he talked with Teddy and he gave us approval to use his property for the finish line of the Paddler. Teddy suggested the activities that happen at the Town of Barnes Park could be moved to his house eventually.
- **4. New Trail status**. Mike discussed the work that they have done on the trails. They put up 77 new signs with the help of 28 people. The trails are clear and ready for snow.
- **5.** Town of Barnes Website. Discussion about the town website. Dana expressed that she liked Hayward and Cable's website. As did Carol, Tom, Melissa, PJ, and Julie. Carol made a motion that we get at least two bids and discuss at the next meeting. Julie seconds the motion. Vote followed. Motion carried.
- **6.** Dana made a motion to change the agenda by moving
 - A. Trail ideas
 - B. Event ideas
 - C. Park improvements

to the discussion of Tomahawk Park. Carol second. Motion carried.

7. Town of Barnes publications, advertisement, and membership.

Carol would like a "master plan" from Bruce on costs and due dates of advertising. Bruce said he'd give us a grid of all the ads we could be involved in and the costs.

8. Tomahawk Park.

Bruce and Tom talked about acquiring more land to connect our two parks together. Also a discussion of a community garden and the benefits of one followed. We will need to talk with the garden club to see if they can work with us. Discussion of what we can do to make Tomahawk better followed.

- A. **Trail ideas**. Tom discussed the possibilities of getting a new groomer and sharing with the EMTS. He thinks next year we should be able to get. Mike suggested widening the trails and making them longer. Restrooms/porta potties were also discussed. No action taken.
- B. **Event idea**s. Melissa suggested a 5k the morning of the 4th of July parade. Proceeds to go to EMTS and First Responders. Carol suggested a Reunion Weekend for people that have been here in the past. Melissa also suggested a "Barnes Fun Days" during the early summer. Discussion followed.
- C. **Park improvements**. Tabled this issue and will discuss at next meeting.

9. Next Meeting Date November 30, 2015, 8:30 am – Barnes Town Office

10. Motion to adjourn.

Melissa made a motion to adjourn, Mike second; adjourned.