Milford Recreation Commission
May 10, 2006

Attendees:

Mary Albina	Scott Hembrow	Walter Smith
Nicole Banks	Bill McKinney	Alberta Finch
Joan Dargie	Bob Hall, Souhegan Cycleworks	
Bill Parker, Planning Office		
Libby Anderson, MMS Enrichment		

Kaley Park:

Phase 1: Access road, parking and one all purpose field for approx $213,815.

Bill Parker presented the current information on Kaley. He provided the Commission with the necessary paperwork to put this on the CIP for the upcoming year. The paperwork is due to Bill Parker by 19 May. $25,000 came from the Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund and it is written into the Deed that the land has to have public access to it. Discussion about how the Rec. Commission can move this along. Walter suggested that the Commission attempt to fund raise some of the money and then present it to the voters. It will probably have to be a petition warrant item which we will write and will be reviewed by the town layer.

Riders:
Nicole reported that she attended the Rider's meeting on Tues. She announced that the repairs that were scheduled for the skate park were bumped due to rain. They delayed the painting of the park until after the repairs. They also decided to schedule the graffiti contest until after all of the other repairs are done. They are still working on all of the details. $90.00 was earned from the raffles that took place during the Easter Egg Hunt. They are planning to team up with Church group that does an annual concert at Keyes in the summer to see if they can assist and fundraise during the event.

Enrichment:
Libby and Bob presented a plan to conduct a Bike Race, cycle cross racing, which would take place in the off season, September 24. They are looking for assistance from the Rec. Commission. It is estimated that the race would attract approx. 150 racers and about the same spectators. It is hoped to have this even on a piece of Brox property but the option of Keyes was more discussed. The USA Cycling Federation will provide the necessary insurance/waivers and provided all of the necessary organization tools that we will need to plan the event. Mary made a motion that the Commission Support this event as a means of adding a community activity. Scott 2nd. A unanimous vote carried. Nicole will check the date to make sure the field is available so that planning can move forward.

Senior Programs:
Alberta reported that very few people attended that coffee hour. She thinks some of the people were at St. Joe's Sage group at the same time. She purchased prizes for the Bingo and they went over very well. It was a larger turn out of people. The June 13th trip currently has 22 people paid for and more are expected. Alberta had a question about the refund policy mentioned for this trip and Nicole explained that it is refund policy set by The Best of Times Company and just for the Mohegan Sun trip only. Nicole announced that she has trips planned for the next 6 months and has been planning them with other towns, Amherst & Bedford and the other Rec. Departments are very excited about it. She is ready to start advertising these trips. She presented the Commission with a packet of upcoming trips. Scott and Walter suggested that Nicole look into sponsoring a trip to a Red Sox game later in the fall.

Keyes Field:
Bill confirmed with Dale White a verbal agreement of $10,000 for site work and $3000 for hydro seeding and approx. $1000 for misc./extra supplies. Nicole reported that there is approx $6000 in the field improvement fund. This does not include the money that will be collected from field fees of organizations that are reserving the field. Nicole suggested that we as a Commission start looking for funding sources and to attempt to bring the Parks Department on board.

Pavilion:
Bill gave us an update on the pavilion. He said that the school is doing a great job and are expected to start roofing soon and are looking for a way to run electricity. Nicole added that the Rotary asked where they could help and she told them that we need some landscaping. They will look into that option. Joan mentioned that it would be nice to put newer grills around the pavilion. Bill will take a look at it.

Director's Report:
Nicole presented a detailed report. Softball is getting ready for the summer league (12 teams). The discussion about the use of the Police Station Field because of the backstop falling down affects the safety of fans and players. It was agreed that Bill M. would take a look at it and if necessary, close it for a safety issue.

Nicole asked for volunteer help for the May 16th sign up. Joan will help.

She reported that she had presented the BOS with a memo about vendoring at Keyes Field. According to the Town, the vendors receive the license from the Milford Police Department but they are not allowed to solicit at any Town Parks. She asked that the BOS present any requests to the Rec. Commission to coordinate any vendor efforts. She has not heard from them yet.

Concession:
Nicole announced that all of the contract paperwork was underway and that the Commission members would have to sign off on the contract. Joan asked for the schedule of the summer activities taking place at Keyes so she could coordinate coverage.

4th of July:
Nicole asked that we have a separate meeting to start coordinate this event. Mary will look into setting a date.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:50. Next meeting is set for June14, 2006.

Respectfully submitted by Mary Albina, Secretary.