

**TOWN OF NORTHFIELD, VERMONT**  
**DOG RIVER PARK COMMITTEE**  
**Minutes of May 11, 2022**

I. Roll Call

- a. Members in attendance: Bonnie Kirn Donahue, Kim Adams, Simon Pearish, Russ Barrett
- b. Kelly Wantuch (Water Street neighborhood resident) also attended

II. Set/Adjust Agenda

- a. Added a discussion of the birdhouses, etc. that are hanging from trees.

III. Approval of Minutes (April)

- a. Kim Adams was not in attendance in April so her name was removed as an attendee
- b. Amended minutes approved 4-0-0

IV. Public Participation (scheduled)

- a. Play equipment
  - i. Kelly Wantuch suggested some ideas about how to improve opportunities for children to play, i.e., play structure upgrades.
  - ii. We discussed the restrictions on the property due to its location in the floodplain and opportunities that might be allowable within those guidelines.

V.

## VI. Discussion

### a. Member updates

- i. A draft of the Dog River Park Maintenance Plan has been sent to the town manager for review.

### b. Park dedication (Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup>)

- i. We discussed a plan for the event.

### c. Bench location

### d. Sign location

- i. A location was chosen near the meadow for a sign produced by the Friends of the Winooski River

### e. Path maintenance

- i. Path maintenance was specified in the draft maintenance plan so we will wait for comments from the town manager before continuing this discussion.

### f. Bird houses, etc.

- i. How do we decide what additions are or are not allowed in the park?

## VII. Public Participation (unscheduled)

## VIII. Adjournment