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TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUND
CITY OF PORTSMOUTH NEW HAMPSHIRE
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

A regular meeting of the Trustees of the Trust Funds for the City of Portsmouth, NH was held on Thursday, May 6, 2010.

Present were Peter Torrey, Michael Warhurst, Chairperson Lea Aeschliman, and Brad Lown.

Attending the meeting were Nancy Karmer, Sue Cobler, Silke Psula, and Barbara Newton.

The minutes of the prior meeting were reviewed and approved with one amendment – that Chairperson Aeschliman could not recall having seen “plans” presented by Aileen Dugan.

Nancy Karmer discussed new signage at Pierce Island, in order to make the signage uniform and to consolidate several signs. Some of the signs will be at the entrance to Four Tree Island. She said that there were 34 signs in total to be replaced. This would include to new large “yard arm” type signs. The Trustees approved the sign changes with the hope that the number and size of signs could be kept to a minimum.

Sue Cobler appeared on behalf of Art Speak to discuss the temporary public art displays that will be around the City between June and October of this year. She requested permission to put one work of art in the Park. The artist is named Wisswaesser and the proposed work of art is called “White Wash” – relating to sails and the Memorial Bridge. The artist is flexible in terms of the size of the work. The Trustees okayed and accepted the exhibit with the usual caveat that it be removed at the end of the season.

Barbara Newton of the Players Ring appeared and reminded the Trustees that the Players Ring is overseen by the Trustees. She provided a 2010-2011 season program brochure and said that there was an art sale on May 29th that she expected would be entirely inside, along with a children’s show.

Silke Sula appeared on behalf of the Department of Public Works. Ms. Sula explained the importance of the three factors in recycling, signs, cleanliness and receptacles. She stressed the importance of education and making the recycling routine. The Trustees approved her working with Michael Warhurst on the Park’s recycling plan.

Michael Warhurst presented a number of items, including the Tall Ship “Bowdoin” which will be raffling tickets for a trip but no sales would be made “from the vessel.” The Trustees approved a slight reduction in the requested seasonal dock fee (approximately a \$500 reduction) to one licensee. The Trustees noted that it is important to get all seasonal dock lessees to sign the license agreement, which strictly limits the Trustee’s liability, among other things. The Trustees discussed the dance class put on by a woman named Chalifour and approved the dance class for

Four Tree Island as long as no fees are charged. Michael discussed that three of the fingers on the dock will need work and one of them is currently being fixed. Michael discussed reconnection of a water line at the end of the Park. The Trustees discussed the possibility of having a seasonal boater who wants to have his sail boat in the water year round, and Chairperson Aeschliman suggested that Bob Sullivan review this. Brad Lown said that he had no objection to this and thought that the limitation of liability in the licensing agreement would protect the Trustees and the City, and the year round fee would provide additional funds. The Trustees also approved the sale by certain my musicians who are performing on the Gundalow vessels when performing. Michael reported that David Moore is assisting him to obtain funds for the accessibility of the Hovey fountain. Michael will be meeting with the City's tree committee on May 12th with Aileen Dugan at 7:30 a.m. and the Trustees suggested that Michael offer to replace the trees that are proposed to be removed. The status of the outstanding payphone bill with Fairport was also discussed and Brad Lown received a letter from Fairpoint confirming that the "past due invoices will still hold".

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 a.m.


Bradley M. Lown, Temporary Secretary