**GILFORD PARKS and RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES**

**January 10, 2022**

**Present:**  Sue King, Peter Allen, Jim Glover, Dave Smith, Rick Nelson, and

 Miriam York

Excused: Tracey Blandford, Herb Greene,Thom Francoeur, and Lisa Manz-

 Buckley.

The meeting was held at the Town Hall in the meeting room and was called to order by Rick Nelson at 5:38 p.m.

Peter was appointed as a voting member for this meeting.

 **1. Special session to discuss the Francoeur-Babcock Tournament and**

 **Youth Basketball All-Stars:**

Sue King read some of the e-mails from the Francoeur-Babcock committee members after they had had a zoom meeting. Their feelings were that it wasn’t possible to hold a tournament this year due to COVID and the problems it presents in trying to keep people safe and to run a successful tournament.

After some discussion a motion was made by Rick and seconded by Dave: “We cancel this years Francoeur-Babcock tournament due to the problems presented by COVID and the concern over being able to hold a tournament at this time”. The vote was unanimous for not holding the tournament this year.

 **2. Letter to the Selectmen regarding the need for a full time Assistant:**

Rick passed out copies of his letter to the Gilford Board of Selectmen

 outlining the Commission’s reasons for the need of a full time assistant

 director instead of just a part-time assistant. The letter was discussed and

 approved by the Commission members. The letter will be sent to Scott

Dunn to present it to the Board of Selectmen.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

Next meeting is scheduled for **February 7, 2022 at 5:30.**

Respectfully submitted,

Miriam A. York

Secretary

Enclosure: Rick Nelson’s letter to the Gilford Board of Selectmen