

FINAL

**CITY OF LEBANON
STORRS HILL FACILITY PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES June 25, 2024
Storrs Hill Ski Area Lodge & LebanonNH.gov/Live
6:00PM**

MEMBERS PRESENT: (8/8)

**Daniel Mielcarz
Angela Orlando
Brett Sowerby
Trent Jones
Stephanie Vallee
Cory Grant**

Lauren Cockerill (Alternate)

MEMBERS ABSENT: (0/7)

Jennifer

STAFF PRESENT: (2)

Paul Coats (Recreation Arts & Parks Director)

Guests:

Kricket McCuster, Erling Heisted

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2 **1. CALL TO ORDER**

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4 Paul Coats called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

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6 **2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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8 Minutes were accepted as written by unanimous vote of the committee. 7 yes. 0 no.

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10 **3. NEW BUSINESS**

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12 **A. 50m jump analysis – Kricket McCuster presenting**

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14 Kricket began with sharing the importance of the K50, as witnessed by the NE Ski Jumping community,
15 and followed up with several letters of support. Those who have learned about the uncertain future of the
16 K50 have offered their support for the cause of making sure the K50 exists well into the future.

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18 Cory asked to clarify that the Loc has made no indication that the LOC won't continue to invest in the
19 upkeep of the 50. Paul and Kricket confirmed that no, the Loc has not sent contrary messages, but the
20 committee and community as a whole need to know what the long term maintenance/replacement plan
21 needs to be as they consider a facility plan.

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23 The jump structure is 70 years old. At least needs to be repainted, every 25 years. Needs it now. 2nd
24 component is the wood, from the 90s. PT can last about 20-30 years..

25 Painting cost: Hard to access is the cost driver. Industrial/Commercial painter. Is it lead paint (yes). Tops
26 at \$400k (if highest level of lead abatement). If lower abatement needs (power wash), \$100k.

27 PT wood: \$100k give or take. Buys several years, but corrosion and feet are a problem on back tower.
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1 Replacement is likely \$400-600 with 100 year lifespan (if maintained well). Need design/build bids to
2 know. Looking at other replacement projects around the country. We do have metal inrun tracks which is
3 a huge asset.

4 Outrun needs: Summer jumping surface is an option to consider, with plastic and associated decking.
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6 Eastern Ski jumping community is committed to helping, even with fundraising.
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8 Lauren: What is annual maintenance cost?

9 Cory: some builders have offered to rehabilitate for \$50k over 2 year time, one section at a time.
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11 Do we invest \$10k per year in bandaids in order to raise the \$500k for replacement? How many years of
12 that do we get (no paint, etc) before we need to close the jump?

13 Dan M: What is the chance that jump needs to come down in 5 years, like what happened to 25? Feels ok
14 about 2-5 years, but likely not 10. No guarantees.
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16 Cory: if we paint and piecemeal wood, how long do we get? 25 years. But then the steel is 100 years old
17 and really needs replacement.
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19 Brett: What is demolition cost? Unknown
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21 Cory: Think we could get the painting done for far cheaper.
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24 25m jump discussion tabled
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26 **4. OTHER BUSINESS**

27 Future needs: include 25m, site of, lift, snowmaking, lights, alpine, lodge, parking

28 Trent: want list of facilities to consider.
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30 Next meeting, Tuesday July 9. 6:00 pm Storrs Hill Ski Lodge
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33 **6. ADJOURNMENT**

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35 *Paul Coats adjourned the meeting at 7:40 pm.*
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37 Respectfully submitted,
38 Paul Coats