

APPROVED

East Montpelier Recreation Board Emergency Session

May 10, 2017

Members in attendance – Phillip Heinz, Jan Aldrich, Robert Fitch, Cristin O'Donnell, Michael Blanchard, Jack Zeilenga, Alex Rob

Non-Members in attendance – Paul Winters

- Phil Heinz opened the meeting with a public statement: "there has been at least an eighteen-month effort to fill the clerk & other open positions, and has mostly been done through volunteering from meeting to meeting to collect notes and keep up with minutes and agendas. I am now happy to say that we have 4 officers, but will need more help from everyone on the board."
- Board unanimously voted to enter into Executive Session (Jack, Cristin not in attendance at time for vote)
- Discussion about Vermont State Public Records Request from Kristi Flynn. Phillip contacted Bruce Johnson, legal advice, and the Secretary of State's Office to get clarifying information and a better understanding of the process.
 - Reviewed incidents leading to request
 - Reviewed elements of request
 - Discussed who it impacts
 - Discussion about currently available information to satisfy the request
- Phillip contacted Bruce Johnson, legal advice, and the Secretary of State's Office to get clarifying information and a better understanding of the process and advice.
- The EM Rec Board crafted a response to the request, asking for an extension until May 22 in order to have the time needed to contact all current and former volunteer members to gather the requested information.
- The board unanimously voted to move forward with the extension request.
- The board unanimously voted to exit out of Executive Session.
- Brief discussion regarding doing something to honor former board members who left the board in the last year or so. Discussion tabled until next meeting.

- Phillip requested as many members as possible attend the Town Selectboard meeting on June 5 where next steps about possible separation from the town will be discussed.
- Next EM Rec Board meeting scheduled for June 10, 2017.