

APPROVED

East Montpelier Recreation Board Meeting Minutes

January 8, 2018

Members in attendance –Janice Aldrich, Bob Fitch, Paul Winters, Alex Rob, Jack Zeilenga, Cristin O’Donnell, Mike Blanchard, Phillip Heinz

Meeting called to order 6:34 PM

- Minutes from December 11 meeting approved.

- Financial overview
 - Currently have \$11,444 in cash.
 - Reimbursement payments to board members for purchases are all up to date.
 - Additional basketball money from the K-2 program will be coming in soon.

- Town Report
 - Bob will work with Don Welch to be sure all the financial information is passed along to the town.
 - Phillip will work on a writeup/update on EM Recreation and where things currently stand. Board will review before sending to the town.

- Basketball update
 - Season continues to go well. No glitches outside of the weather.
 - Start of the K-2 program has been delayed a week due to the extreme cold last weekend. There is room in the schedule that will allow the program to still run for six weeks. It is scheduled to start on January 13 now.

- Baseball update
 - Tarps for mound and home plate have not been ordered yet. Paul is still working on this.
 - Baseball sign ups will be up soon. All will be done online through Central Vermont Little League (CVLL).
 - Paul is still working to get the inventory completed as one previous coach and one previous baseball administrator still have some of the equipment at their homes.
 - There was discussion about softball and who will head that program up. Mike, Paul and Alex will work to identify volunteers who are interested in overseeing and coaching the program.

- Soccer update
 - Phillip is working on the inventory for soccer.
 - The concessions stand was very successful this season.

- Easter Egg Hunt

- Jan reported that she will be ordering materials soon for the annual Easter Egg Hunt.
 - Event will take place at 10 AM on March 24 on the East Montpelier Recreation Field.
 - Looking for volunteer help. Boy Scouts may be able to assist.

- Recreation Field Parking Area
 - The board again discussed the process to get assistance from the town in applying for a grant to help clean up the area along the fence in the parking lot of the rec field which is overgrown with tree, bushes, and poison ivy.
 - Paul, Phillip, Jack and Cristin will work on this project, identifying a consultant who can help determine the best plan for removal of the overgrowth and possible changes to the parking area. Once a plan has been drafted the board will bring it to the town for assistance in pursuing a grant to cover the cost.

- Bylaws/Policies and Procedures
 - Discussion was held about the bylaws in an effort to finalize them.
 - Discussion about whether there should continue to be two co-chairs or one chair and a vice-chair. Decision was made to return to the model of one chair and one vice-chair for clarity and overall group function.
 - Paul made the motion to approve the bylaws for EM Recreation, seconded by Jan.
 - Board unanimously approved the bylaws (Alex Rob not present for this vote).
 - Bylaws to be moved to town select board for approval.

Meeting adjourned 7:36 PM

Next meeting to be held on February 12 at 7:15 PM, East Montpelier Elementary School.