

APPROVED

East Montpelier Recreation Board Meeting Minutes

February 12, 2018

Members in attendance –Janice Aldrich, Bob Fitch, Jack Zeilenga, Cristin O’Donnell, Phillip Heinz

Meeting called to order 7:30 PM

- Minutes from January 8 meeting approved.
- Financial overview
 - Currently have \$12,351 in cash.
 - Reimbursement payments to board members for purchases are all up to date.
 - Money from the K-2 program has been received.
- Baseball update
 - Central VT Little League sign up information was emailed out to families of players from last season with a link to sign up. Information will also be posted on Front Porch Forum and EMES newsletter.
 - Soft deadline for sign up – 3/18
 - Teams/coaches put together 3/19
- Easter Egg Hunt
 - Jan reported that the Boy Scouts have agreed to help with the Easter Egg hunt this year.
- Basketball update
 - Season wraps up in about a week and a half. Everything is running smoothly.
 - Referees have all been tracked this year and information for payment will be submitted to Bob to submit to the town once the season ends.
 - Board approved \$147.40 for the purchase of plaques for the sixth graders as an end of season/EMES career gift.
- Bylaws/Policies and Procedures
 - Jan attended to selectboard meeting on February 5.
 - Reported that if that if EM Rec remains part of the town it cannot have bylaws.
 - Wording needs to be changed throughout document.
 - EMRB cannot have a position titled “treasurer.”
 - Discussion among board members as the group remembers being asked for bylaws. Some confusion.
 - After clarifying some details and editing the document the board needs to meet with the selectboard at a future date (currently scheduled for March 5) to discuss further and determine next steps.

- As a thank you for the hard work the custodial staff has put in throughout the basketball season, the board unanimously approved three \$10 Amazon gift cards and one \$50 Sarducci's gift certificate to be given to the staff in the near future.

- Mowing of the Recreation Field
 - Some concern over the timing of mowing each week with relation to when sporting events are generally happening. Soccer and baseball often occur when the grass is at its longest.
 - EMR would like to discuss with the town the possibility of having more of a voice in the contract process and also potential opportunities for touch-up mowing maintenance by coaches/board members when needed outside of the normal one day a week the grass is mowed.

- Town Report
 - Text and financials were submitted to the town and the board has received no feedback. Assuming everything is ok.

- Park Committee
 - Phillip is hoping to reconvene the Park Committee in March to begin discussion about construction of a new shed in the spring.

- The board agreed to discuss the question of EMR separation at the March meeting.

Meeting adjourned 8:13 PM

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