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East Montpelier Recreation Board Meeting Minutes

May 14, 2018

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

Meeting called to order 7:21 PM

- Minutes from April 9 meeting approved.
- Financial overview
 - Currently have \$8,800 in cash.
 - Spend more than in the recent years as we replaced uniform inventory for soccer and basketball.
 - Lacrosse program will take some money to get up and running in 2019 and may require additional work on the field. Will discuss possibly requesting bumping up our allocation from the town in 2019.
 - Trash and septic (port-o-potties) cost about \$2,000 this year. This is the first year they have been kept out all year. The Board will revisit whether there are certain times of the year when one or both services is not necessary.
- Lacrosse Grant
 - Bob’s lacrosse grant application was approved.
 - Will receive \$9,000 worth of equipment
 - At future meeting will discuss how to best market the new program to surrounding communities

Grant provides:

- Equipment for Boys Field Players:
 - 20 field player sticks
 - 20 pairs of gloves
 - 20 pairs of arm pads
 - 20 pairs of shoulder pads
 - 20 NOCSAE approved lacrosse helmets
- Equipment for Girls Field Players:
 - 20 field player sticks
 - 20 pairs of protective eyewear (goggles) that meet the current ASTM Standard
- Equipment for Boys’ Goalie:
 - 1 goalie stick
 - 1 pair of gloves
 - 1 NOCSAE approved lacrosse helmet with facemask and chinstrap
 - 1 throat guard

- 1 chest protector
- Equipment for Girls' Goalie:
 - 1 goalie stick
 - 1 pair of gloves
 - 1 NOCSAE approved lacrosse helmet with facemask and chinstrap
 - 1 throat guard
 - 1 chest protector
 - 1 pair of leg pads
 - 1 pair of shin pads
- Complimentary US Lacrosse 'youth level' membership for up to 40 new players
- Complimentary US Lacrosse 'coach level' membership for up to 4 adult coaches

- Bleachers
 - One new bleacher has been put together and are being used during baseball. One bleacher still needs to be assembled. This is tentatively scheduled to take place on Wednesday, May 16.

- Field maintenance
 - Phillip believes that the mowing schedule has moved to Wednesdays but is going to double check with Tim Frazier to be sure everyone is on the same page.
 - Onion River Soccer is using the fields again this spring. Phillip and Mike will work to be sure they are lined.
- Shed update
 - Timing of construction of new shed still to be determined but Phillip has many of the pieces together.
 - Fountain Sawmill will donate \$300 worth of lumber
 - Jamie Laquerre will do the building
 - Jodie Parker is working on a design
 - Hutch Concrete originally agreed to provide the concrete for free if we pay for the ground work. Phillip is going to confirm they are still willing to do that.
 - EM Home Center will be contacted to see if they are willing to donate anything.
 - One tree will need to be removed
 - New paperwork will have to be submitted to the town for approval of the building location, which is not on the same footprint as the current shed.
- Soccer update
 - In an effort to get the word out earlier and ideally be more efficient with sign ups, a handout about soccer will go out at the end of the school year, highlighting dates in August when pickup soccer will begin as well as sign up dates.
- Baseball update
 - Season has been very successful so far. East Montpelier programs are off to a good start.
 - CVLL opening day event at the Recreation Field was a big success
 - 19 teams participated

- 200 kids participated
 - No issues with parking, etc.
- Recreation Field roadside project
 - As part of his senior program at VTC, a student has worked with Paul to provide a preliminary design on how to clean up the area between the lot and road, where the fence is overgrown with brush and poison ivy.
 - This design will be brought before the Selectboard on May 21 for an initial discussion and to hopefully come up with a plan that can start to be moved forward.
- Officer Elections
 - Officers were elected, with terms to run through the April 2019 meeting when another election will be held
 - Chair
 - Two candidates were nominated – Phillip Heinz and Jack Zeilenga
 - Jack Zeilenga elected chair by a vote of 4-2 (both candidates abstained from voting)
 - Vice Chair
 - Two candidates were nominated – Phillip Heinz and Paul Winters
 - Paul Winters elected vice chair by a vote of 4-2 (both candidates abstained from voting)
 - Treasurer
 - One candidate we nominated – Bob Fitch
 - Bob Fitch unanimously elected treasurer
 - Clerk
 - Two candidates were nominated – Alex Rob and Phillip Heinz
 - Alex Rob declined his nomination
 - Phillip Heinz unanimously elected clerk

Meeting adjourned 8:46 PM

Next meeting to be held on June 11 at 7:15 PM, East Montpelier Elementary School.