

TOWN OF
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July 22, 2019

Jack Zeilenga, Chair
East Montpelier Recreation Board
PO Box 157
East Montpelier, VT 05651

Re: Building and Grounds Recreation Grant Application

Dear Mr. Zeilenga:

The East Montpelier Selectboard fully supports the East Montpelier Recreation Board's application for a Recreational Facilities Grant from the VT Department of Buildings and General Services' FY2020 Building Communities Grant Program. The grant, if received, will help fund a necessary rehabilitation of the town's recreation field complex located at 555 Vincent Flats Road. The project has been ongoing for a year, with the town already purchasing two sets of bleachers and moving forward with much-needed entrance area safety and drainage improvements. The entirety of the Recreation Board's planned safety, aesthetic and equipment improvements will go a long way toward restoring full functionality to the community's main recreational facility.

The Town of East Montpelier understands that this grant program may cover up to 50% of project costs. The local match for this project will come from the town's capital reserve fund, which is entirely raised from municipal taxes and not from State of Vermont sources. The town is requesting a grant of up to \$9,111.06, 35% of the total \$26,111.06 project. The town has already authorized the use of \$17,000 in capital reserve funds for the project.

The Selectboard is committed to providing the resources needed to assist the Recreation Board in bringing this project to a successful completion.

Sincerely,

Seth B. Gardner
East Montpelier Selectboard Chair