East Montpelier Recreation Board Meeting Minutes April 10, 2023

East Montpelier Elementary School Library

Meeting called to order at 7:17 PM

In attendance: Jack Zeilenga, Anne Lamere, Kate Bean, Bob Fitch, Nick Van Den Berg, Karin Chioffi, Ashley Demers

No Public Statements

Financial update: Need to ask Town for yearly standard allocation. Current cash balance is \$3,200 and a few payments are to be processed.

Credit Card Use through Square: Bob has had conversations with Town treasurer around credit card payments, has recommended Square. Rec board needs to sell town administration on Square, then will go in front of Selectboard for their approval. Selling points of square:

Less cash handling

More sales as not everyone carries cash

Option to do online registration and pay with card

Approval of minutes: Kate made motion to approve the meeting minutes of March 13, 2023 as written. Darci seconded, **approved unanimously**.

Election of Officers: Kate made motion for Jack as Chair, Darci as Vice-Chair, and Bob as Treasurer. Ashley seconded, **approved unanimously**. Discussion around clerk duties: open for now, will be put on hold.

Lacrosse update: 48 kids at K-2, fielding one 3/4 girls team. Others who showed interest had been directed to BYSA for this year, hoping to have enough to return for next year. Discussion around charging for the K-2 next year.

Softball update: From June 2022 meeting, Darci has \$400 approved for additional softball dirt. Darci to get in touch with Mike Brown to have dirt delivered. Discussion around weed pulling and rejuvenating. May get Norwich kids (who need volunteer hours) as volunteers to help spread dirt. Plan is to host games here. Dugouts need paint.

Baseball dugout: needs to have door moved to side to meet official regulations, as of now cannot host all-star games. Ask for money for the repair from CVLL?

Background checks: Darci spoke with Jan around doing it, will do it now but offer is open.

Commemoration: will not have to pay anything, board to come up with what it will say and how it looks.

County Road Closure Events: General discussion around responsibilities of the board. Need further discussion on rules around what "sponsoring" means. Can Town create their own subcommittee for this? Jack to speak with Carl Etnier and get clarification around responsibilities, and to get some information in writing.

Agenda items for next meeting: Strong Girls – boys equivalent? Ice Rink.

Adjourn: 8:31