Mountain Towns Recreation Director Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

The Mountain Towns Recreation Director Advisory Committee will meet on October 12, 2023 at 7:00pm at the Londonderry Town Office Building 100 Old School Street, South Londonderry, VT 05155 and on zoom.

Join Zoom Meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88678957539

- 1. Call the meeting to order.
  - Called to order 7:01 Present: Kelly, Jason, Sarah, Jennie, Will
- 2. Additions and deletions.
  - Kelly makes a motion to add to the agenda acceptance of Lisa Yrsha's resignation letter.
    Move to #5
- 3. Public comment/Visitors.
- 4. Minutes Approval
  - Kelly makes a motion to accept the minutes. Jason seconds. Everyone agrees
- 5. Discussing Lisa Yrsha's letter of resignation.
  - Sarah makes a motion to accept Lisa's letter of resignation. Jennie seconds.
    - Discussion:
      - The committee would like to draft a response to her letter.
      - Will: looking at the letter, there is some conflicting language and wondering if she does still have interest. Concerned about maintaining the connection with the town. Want to make this a smooth transition for everyone. Is it possible to delay a vote?
      - Would she be willing to have a conversation so that this team could have collaboration to move forward. Will craft an email and invite her for a conversation with two members of our committee.
  - Action: A smaller group of committee members reach out to Lisa for a conversation about moving forward. Sarah will draft the email
  - Sarah will withdraw motion, Jennie will second withdrawing the motion.
- 6. Update on Weston Selectboard signatures
  - Will's impression in speaking to Weston residents is that they would be willing to sign a one year agreement.
  - Can the other towns have a three year agreement and Weston one year? Can go to attorney and ask? There has to be agreement between the five towns.
  - Is there a concern that the article raises the amount of money for one year and we have a three year agreement? The articles were designed to raise money for the fiscal year in order to fund the agreement that would be developed. It was a vote on a budget item, raising the money.
  - If Weston does not participate, then the position can move forward. Committee agrees it would be best to continue to maintain Weston as a community partner.
  - It will be important to keep people informed.
  - Action: Kelly will call Londonderry's Town Attorney tomorrow to find out how a single town doing a one year contract would work.

- Action: Ask to be on Londonderry's select board's meeting. Next meeting is this Monday 10/16.
- 7. Discuss applicant choice for hiring recommendation
  - Sarah makes the motion to present the candidate Liam Elio to the Select Board to recommend for hire for the Mountain Towns Recreation Director, Jason seconds
  - Committee agrees that the candidate Liam Elio has the experience and qualifications that fit with the position, has strong skills, and would like to offer him the position
  - Action: Kelly will ask the Select Board chair how to proceed, then will contact Liam
  - Action: Committee members will attend the Londonderry select board on Monday
  - Called the vote: All agree to nominate Liam for the position.
- 8. Adjourn. Kelly makes the motion to adjourn at 8:13 pm. Will seconds. All agree.