

Mountain Towns Recreation Director Advisory Committee  
Town of Londonderry 100 Old School Street South Londonderry, VT 05155 802 824 3356  
Agenda The Mountain Towns Recreation Director Advisory Committee  
will meet on January 16, 2024 at 5:00pm

1. Call the meeting to order. Meeting called to order at 5:03 pm In attendance: Martha Dale, Liam Elio, Jennie Freeman, Sarah Kiefer, Jason Marino, Kelly Pajala, Will Reed, Lissa Stark
2. Additions and deletions. No additions or deletions
3. Public comment/Visitors. None
4. Minutes Approval: Martha moves to approve minutes, Jason seconds, all approve minutes
5. Rec Director
  - a. Current basketball season
    - Liam transitioning, doing some problem solving as things are coming up
    - Planning on using the sportsconnect app for the tournament
  - b. Rick Porcello summer camp
    - Liam has reached out, has not heard back from him yet
    - Jason and Kelly may have a paper copy of his proposal, will follow up
    - Kelly will send an email to introduce Liam to Rick
  - c. Planning for baseball and softball
    - For a future meeting, talk about waivers
    - Jason and Liam to meet next week or two to start planning for spring season
    - Jason to share the budget numbers from the 2023 season with Liam
  - d. West River Sports update,
    - Will: fields weathered the December flood well
    - Will to share budget numbers from last years soccer season with Liam
    - Group will need to do some additional planning around funding to address field maintenance needs
    - Wondering about the longevity of fields staying in Weston, possible other locations to be discussed
  - e. Planning for soccer beginning in the spring
  - f. Long term vision: Name, Mascot, Logo
    - Starting with baseball, to run registrations for youth sports through one website
    - FBAA is ready for all registration to go through 'Mountain Towns Recreation', willing to have those teams rebranded as such. Registration fees will go into a town account
    - Will reports the WRS board is aware that changes will be coming, will be open to hearing more information/proposals
    - There may be a MOU required between WR and the town for field maintenance
    - Liam will be providing a form for new suggestions for youth sports mascot
  - g. Needs and interests assessment
    - Vermont recreation has a survey that will use for a model
    - Liam planning to attend each town meeting in March
    - Liam to reach out to town clerks to schedule an appearance

- Talked about this component of position. Currently best addressed as connector between existing organizations. Will talk about expansion in the future
- h. Meeting schedule for financial transition planning, use of park fund:
- Purpose of the meeting to better understand the ins and outs of the budgets
  - Possible parties include Tina, FBAA and WR reps (Allie Marino and Andrea Ogden), and Liam
  - Question about whether officials are employees or contractors. Tina's understanding is they would be employees. Tina and Liam will both check in with counterparts
- i. Website
- On the select board agenda is to add Liam to the website
  - Liam has noticed that not all town websites are consistent with links around 'recreation' or 'community'
  - Suggestion that the recreation department have one website and links from each town page go to the website
- j. concessions
- One of the details to continue to work out
  - Has historically been a fundraiser
- k. agenda setting and posting
- Liam will take point on the agenda
6. Winhall Advisory Committee Member Update
- Lissa will be asking to be appointed as member of the committee at the select board meeting tomorrow evening
7. Insurance for sports programs:
- Tina will call insurance company to check
  - Request for FBAA and WR to share with Tina what insurance they use
8. Adjourn: Kelly motion to adjourn, Martha second. Meeting adjourned.

For next agenda:

- Program participation waivers