

## Enosburg Community Recreation Committee

**Date:** January 20, 2015

**Attendees:** Jenn Burns, Jesse Woods, Shawna Lovelette, Brianna Haenke, Polly Rico, & Amy Brewer

**Guests:** Maria Gleason, Tracy Lariviere, singing Cora, babysitter/entertainer Natalie

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<p><b>Welcome/Updates</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Basketball is up and running with approximately 30 kids, most of whom are ages 3/4 and 5/6!</li> <li>• Snowshoeing at the Golf Course is open and promoted just once so far on Facebook.</li> <li>• Could we conceivably use the Pomerleau land for skiing too?</li> <li>• Governor's budget proposed <b>zeroing</b> out Building Healthy Community funding (Amy's time/funds) starting July 1, 2015</li> <li>• NMC's RiseVT project is getting off the ground with the hiring of the Coordinator, Dorey Demers (welcome back Dorey). Enosburg will be a community of interest, but it is not clear at this time what that will look like on the ground.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Amy – find out if EES has adult sized snowshoes (they do, a few pair)</b></li> </ul>
<p><b>Staffing Model/Funding for FY16</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Selectboard is continuing to hear discussion about Rec funds for staff</li> <li>• Maintenance costs average about \$7000/year</li> <li>• Highgate Arena is asking for \$2500 from area towns (formally asked the Selectboard already) to make needed renovations. They currently have free “learn to skate” programs for all surrounding towns. Could partner with Enosburg to find more opportunities for Enosburg youth there. Would that \$2500 come out of the Rec budget?</li> <li>• If \$2500 came out of the rec budget and \$7000 is needed, then we would only have \$5500 which is less than we had hoped for a staff person and no program costs. If then, we also lose “Amy's funding” then there is limited funding to do.</li> <li>• That said, our programming doesn't have to cost anything (basketball is paying for itself) and we could do a fundraiser</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Facebook ask to using highgate arena? Do you or would you use Highgate Arena? What if there was a free learn to skate program? (Amy)</b></li> <li>• <b>Jesse and Polly will work to get Jesse on the next Selectboard Meeting Agenda</b></li> <li>• <b>Follow up with After School Program (Maria) to digest this evening's discussion (Amy)</b></li> </ul>

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	<p>or two to raise additional money for programming and staff...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Another options would be to split fixed (maintenance costs) into a different line item, and then ask for \$15,000</li> <li>• Would the rec committee like to spend \$2500 of Rec \$ on the Highgate Arena or should it go on the Ballot? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Concerns that the \$ wouldn't stay in Enosburg</li> </ul> </li> <li>• There is a Rec budget carryover of \$6000.</li> <li>• <b>Motion to send Jesse to ask the Selectboard for the full \$15,000 (Jesse motion Jenn second) (all in favor)</b></li> <li>• <b>Motion to put the \$2500 Highgate Arena funds to a floor vote on town meeting day (Jesse motion, Shawna second) (all in favor)</b></li> <li>• Could the Town budget funds be considered the match to the staff? We are still unsure...</li> <li>• Do we get the staff to get things going and use all our funds that way and allow them to help us facilitate the communication and collaboration –which is really our stated goal?</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Event Planning</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Planning a 5K is easy - \$10 is a good amount for a registration fee, but could recommend a donation is possible too. This could be a strong fundraiser. Bibs are cheap – like \$30 for 1000</li> <li>• Could do a zombie run, a pumpkin run (Harvest Fest weekend –Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>?) – the idea of doing a Harvest Run is intriguing and connects to the community's healthy foods and an existing activity</li> <li>• Include a kids fun run</li> <li>• Let's also remember to promote all the other runs that happen in the area, such as the Milk Run (Dairy Fest), Book It for the Bookmobile, Brendan Gleason (baseball camp fundraiser), Bunny Run (Food Shelf fundraiser) and maybe others. This helps us achieve our goal of coordinating and communicating recreation activities to residents.</li> <li>• Promote all activities through Fb and FPF</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Amy will continue to work with Tracy Lariviere to plan out details. Thank you Tracy!</b></li> </ul>

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<b>Sliding Scale Fees/Process for Waiving Fees</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tabled until February</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Bring topic back in February</b></li> </ul>
<b>Wrap-Up</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Our goals have been to coordinate and communicate recreation opportunities to the community so residents and families can connect with the vast resources that exist. We need to continually keep this in mind as we plan our course of action.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>
<b>Next Steps</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Next ECRC meeting will be February 17, 4:30pm</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>