

# Enosburgh Community Recreation Committee

**Date:** February 8, 2017

**Attendees:** Shawna Lovelette, Emma Hardy, Suzi Hull Parent, & Amy Brewer

**Guests:** Brielle King, Stacy Carpenter, Steve Wadsworth



Topic	Discussion	Action
<p><b>Welcome/Public Comment</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Regular meeting called to order 5:35</li> <li>Welcomed guests Stacy Carpenter of the Health Department and potential Committee Members Brielle King and Steve Wadsworth</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>
<p><b>Minute Approval</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Suzi motioned to approve the January 11<sup>th</sup> minutes, Emma seconded. All in favor</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>
<p><b>Updates</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bylaws – Unsure if Mary had the opportunity to bring to the select board. Will follow up with Mary. There were several edits to the document identified at the January meeting – mostly adding “h’s” to “Enosburg.” Shawna gave Amy the edits and she will make them and submit to the group as a final document.</li> <li>Ice Rink – Suzi shared her idea for a potential placement for next year’s Ice Rink. The Opera House parking lot is available in January – March and there is a light there. There is probably a hydrant nearby there too. Might be an option in case Maple Park doesn’t work.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Amy</b> will make edits to bylaws based on January meeting and email back to Mary and group</li> </ul>
<p><b>Teen Appreciation Day</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stacy was able to attend the Youth meeting on January 31<sup>st</sup> along with Mary. The youth ideas included: Pancake breakfast/1906 House?, whiffle ball tourney, bon fire, yoga in park, and food available</li> <li>Healthy Roots will be putting together a list of area farmers who might want to donate food for breakfast and be present throughout</li> <li>Thinking May 20<sup>th</sup></li> <li>Suzi suggested we put boxes around town where folks could</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>

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	<p>drop in their appreciation about youth in our community – places where people eat, Ace, Flying Disc – shoe box with a poster...post on FB and FPF – anonymous</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Will RiseVT be there? Yes.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Filling Open seats</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In a conversation with Shawna, Jesse has expressed interest in stepping down but has not contacted Amy to officially do so. We have an open Community member at large seat as well as a school rep open. Possibly village trustee appointee too.</li> <li>• Steve and Brielle joined us to be interviewed by the board for an open seat. (see Brielle’s statement attached).</li> <li>• Brielle King - teaches home fire arm safety courses. Other community things you’ve jumped in on? Yes, this would be the first committee served on. Worked with partner on organizing worker unions. Specialize in non-profit organization overhauling – reaching quorum for boards, etc. Small communities are special because there is a sense of place and community. From Oklahoma originally.</li> <li>• Steve Wadsworth – large animal vet in county for 30 years. Lived here for 30+ years. Wife is teacher at CHCC in ag. 2 young adult children who went through school system and played sports. Also concerned with health of youth and adults too. Think we really need this kind of attention for youth and adults. Bring philosopher to table. Active on food shelf, former boy scout leader, connected tightly to farm community. Active as an individual – xcountry ski, camping and traveling. Slowing down in practice and might have more availability – giving up nights and weekends this summer. Doesn’t want competition, would offer to Brielle if there were only 1 position vacant.</li> <li>• Shawna - We’re going to look into how we might be able to find seats for both Brielle and Steve.</li> <li>• Steve - Want to emphasize the impact of opiate crisis – sports and recreation teach so many important life lessons to kids, even those who might be in broken homes. Get them interested in something that is bigger than themselves.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Shawna</b> will reach out to Jesse and Jon Elwell</li> <li>• <b>Amy</b> will reach out to school principals and ask if they’ll recruit at staff meetings or other forms of communications for us.</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Emma seconded.</li> <li>• <b>Motion – Shawna - appoint BOTH members if we can work with the Trustees to appoint one as their representative. Emma seconded.</b></li> <li>• Discussion – Do Steve and Brielle <i>want</i> to join the board? We will give them another month to review our mission, draft bylaws and materials and invite them back in March for a final appointment vote.</li> <li>• <b>Motion amendment – proceed with getting approval from trustees. Amy will provide Brielle and Steve with bylaws draft and other information and invite them to join us for another meeting next month to ensure they’re interested in joining. Seconded by Emma. All in favor.</b></li> <li>• Shawna will reach out to Jesse and the Village</li> <li>• That just leaves someone at the school. Let’s reach out to Eric, Rachel and Michelle to ask if they might find an interested person to volunteer.</li> </ul>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Budget</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Suzi - Continually keep eyes open for grant funding for Mary’s position. It’s shaky in school budget. It’s there now.</li> <li>• Unsure of what is proposed in Town budget – Polly happened to be in the next room so we asked her how Rec budgeting was going in the Town budgeting process. It looks like there will be carry over funds, but less base funding to begin with. Amy will connect with Billie Jo and Jenn B. to find out details.</li> <li>• Shawna – it seems like we should have a financial report out at every meeting. That will help us budget, plan, and spend appropriately. Amy will follow up on this.</li> <li>• Question for Mary – work less than 15 hours/week...is that because there isn’t enough work? Or, are you not able to put in 15 hours? Do you only work 12 hours? If raise happens and then work 15 hours...over budget?</li> <li>• Need to talk more about soccer for older kids – has always been free through school...now that school won’t be doing it, will it be an important adjustment to ask kids to pay</li> </ul>	<p><b>Amy/Jenn</b> - Get printout of line item budget before every meeting. Ask Billie Jo to email it to Jen and Amy.</p> <p><b>Amy</b> - Add as standing item to agenda.</p> <p><b>Shawna</b> will work with Mary to fill out budget.</p>

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	<p>anything? We may have to discuss with Julie and Michelle. We also have to keep in mind that the school contributes \$7000 toward this program.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• On draft budget, runs need to be separate line items.</li> <li>• Suzi – an idea to keep in the back of our minds...many rec programs mail home a schedule of events. We might want o consider that at some point.</li> </ul>	
<b>Programming/Events</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Walk to School Day will be May 3<sup>rd</sup>. There will be multiple walking routes identified throughout community where volunteers (school staff, volunteers, maybe rec board members) who will lead those walks to school. Amy will provide updates next month.</li> <li>• Table rest until March</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>
<b>Other?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enosburg Conservation Commission’s snowshoe event is this week. What’s the story? Are there enough showshoes available in the community?</li> <li>• Brielle volunteered to be involved and help this event as needed.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Shawna</b> will email Julie and cc Brielle to find out how many showshoes are available and how to access them?</p>
<b>Next Steps</b>	<p><b>We will meet 3/15 at 5:30pm, Enosburgh Emergency Services Building</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Agenda items:</b> Financial report, Teen Appreciation Day, Filling Vacant Seats, Summer programing, Month of Walking event, and Walk to School Day</li> </ul>