

Recreation Board Draft Minutes for 1/12/26

Barrett Hall, 6:30 pm

Present: Leslie Berger, Ed Huang, Stephen Drew, Hilary Linehan via zoom

- Pocket Park – no update
- lead gardener search – we had a new candidate who withdrew before coming before the board. The board voted unanimously to recommend Lindsay Bagley and put her in touch with Dianna. Leslie will follow up with Anne and Lindsay to get hiring process started.
- Preschool fence - follow up – Jody explained to Ed that they started to move the fence, but the septic system was in the way, so they moved the gate over another section to alleviate the issue, rather than moving the fence.
- Town Report 2025 write-up – completed
- Red Barn – nothing needed at this time
- FY26 Budget: Email from Toni regarding over-budgeting – resolution – will do trash for this upcoming year it is included in budget. Ed will follow up with Nordic Waste to start collecting in April and we will try to keep an eye if anything needs to be addressed.
- Follow up on World Cup viewing parties - Christa was to come back with ideas, we have had no response yet.
- baseball fundraising, Lisa has indicated that something like this can't be donated through the town since it is not a town organization/team. Recommended check with SAA if it still exists.
- Email from Micki Colbeck re: [2026 Recreation Trails Program grant round](#) - Hilary was going to follow up with Ann Kynor about walk/bike path around Coburns' corner. Hilary will forward Ed the info from Ann K of what we need to find out from the town.
- Vermont Open Meeting Laws to change (reference: email from town clerk on 11/26/25. Free training on 12/10/25 from 10am-11:30pm). Ed reviewed info from webinar. Need to know how/where to do a video recording of meetings.
- Meeting minutes (add May & November 2025 to google doc) – Hilary sent these to Leslie this evening.
- Update from Lisa on record keeping: Google docs are being phased out. New upgrade to all municipal systems will go into effect using Microsoft 365 and moving to a .gov domain.

- Research of adjacent towns' recreation programs /benchmarking project – Leslie reached out to a few and reported out in Fairlee area. She is going to rec council meeting soon. Document was reviewed briefly.

- Other: Hilary and Ed term are up, Hilary is not going to continue on the board, Ed is planning to continue.

Meeting adjourned at 730