

Mountain Towns Recreation Director Advisory Committee
Town of Londonderry
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Minutes

Wednesday, August 19th @ 8:30am
Town Office Building (100 Old School Street, South Londonderry)

Present at meeting: Will Reed, Liam Elio, Kate Ziegler, Christine Falango, Jamie Weekly, Steve Bergleitner, Jennie Freeman

1. Call the meeting to order. Jennie Called meeting to order at 8:42 am
2. Additions and deletions. FBAA seat on board. See 4a.
3. Public comment/visitors. none
4. Minutes approval. Jamie approved. Steve seconded.

4a. FBAA seat on board - FBAA exists still but is in the closing process in the future. Talking about transitioning funds to MTR, possibly through trust that would earn funds. Jason, current FBAA representative on MTR board stepping down. Need to have another member at large to maintain odd number. Current structure 5 towns, parks committee, West River, at large, FBAA. Discussion about maintaining youth basketball/baseball/softball representation. Not direct, but possibly the FB Athletic Director? Liam will reach out to Chrissy and Johanna.

5. Interlocal Agreement

- a. Percentages – Winhall expressed concern of their percentage payment towards the Director position. Percentages are based on 2020 census populations. Director role is not just youth sports, although if percentages were based only on youth participation from the last 2.5 years, Winhall would be paying more than their share. How can we serve Winhall above and beyond youth sports? How can we utilize new director of Mtn School to help increase participation numbers? We have 2.5 years to adjust interlocal agreement.
- b. Plan for withdrawal - If town withdraws from interlocal agreement or does not agree to sign by July 1st, board needs to determine how to proceed. Director's pay at risk. Need plan in writing by next signing of Interlocal Agreement July 1, 2029. Next iteration of Interlocal Agreement should be presented to towns in January 2029. Keep language of maintaining funding of position while in negotiations/reworking of plan if needed.

6. Magic Mtn. Event - no discussion at this point. No event on the calendar for 2027 via West River Sports due to Bill Koch Festival to be held in March 6-7, 2027

7. Town Hall Administration - Building should be significantly better insulated by this winter. Discussion re: who is managing the building for rental usage of that space. If Liam does this for

Londonderry, would other towns look for that same level of support? Logistical administration of this space should remain through town office.

Jennie made a motion that the administration of new town hall usage should remain within the management of Londonderry Town Office. Steve seconded. All in favor.

8. Music Monday - Possibility of moving Music Monday from Parks Committee to MTR. If MTR takes over management, increases possibility of spreading venues to all 5 towns.

9. Set next meeting. Wednesday, October 21, 2026 at 8:30 am

10. Adjourn. Lost quorum at 9:35 am. Meeting adjourned.

Action items:

1. Liam will talk with Chrissy Blaylock (FB Athletic Director) about joining MTR Board.
2. Schedule meeting with head of Mtn School Winhall in hopes of working together to increase participation of students in mtn sports programs.
3. Winhall advertising - Post Office, Winhall Market, school
4. Board discuss/vote on Liam's new role of director of Music Mondays. Steve is concerned about the core group who attends Music Mondays being disappointed....Goal of MTR is to unite the towns. Parks committee is meeting tonight to discuss this transition.
5. Need to vote on new position on board as FBAA will be going away. Flood Brook Athletic Director?

Ongoing meeting agenda items:

1. Next iteration of Interlocal Agreement should be presented to towns in January 2029. Keep language of maintaining funding of position while in negotiations/reworking of plan if needed.
2. Transfer of secretary or chair?
3. Review of terms for board members.