## Monkton Recreation Committee Monday, October 2, 2023 7:00 to 8:00 PM Meeting conducted at New Town Hall

Members Present: John Zaikowski, Tim Hunt, Paul Low, Rick Imes

- 1. Call to Order: Zaikowski called the meeting to order at 7:09 PM.
- 2. Review and approval of August Meeting minutes: No changes or modifications to the minutes. Hunt made a motion to approve the August minutes. Low seconded. All were in favor (4-0-0).
- 3. Meeting with VHCB: the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board (VHCB), has a new Stewardship Director, Isaac Bissell. Bissell previously reached out to Zaikowski to introduce himself, and set up a meeting to tour Morse Park and become familiar with the potential improvements being contemplated. Zaikowski met with Bissell on August 31, and provided a brief tour of the Park. Zaikowski and Bissell discussed the draft Management Plan for the Park, and that the Conservation Commission was reviewing the Rec Committee's comments on it. Zaikowski also discussed the Committee's draft ARPA proposal projects, and subsequently sent the draft to Bissell, which he reviewed and confirmed the projects were consistent with the Conservation Easement language.
- 4. ARPA Proposal: Zaikowski submitted the Rec Committee's proposal to Selectboard Chair Stephen Pilcher on September 14, 2023. To date, members haven't heard whether it will be placed on a Selectboard meeting agenda. Zaikowski will follow up with Pilcher.
- Soccer: Zaikowski advised that soccer is up and running. Monkton has 4 teams (K, 1/2 co-ed, 3/4 co-ed, and 5/6 co-ed). Overall participant numbers appear down from prior years. Members will discuss further whether/how to promote more participation in the future.

6. Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM

Respectfully submitted,

John Zaikowski