

# **EAST WINDSOR BMX & SKATEPARK**

## **MINUTES OF MEETING**

**Monday, March 27, 2023**

**TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING** – Meeting called to order at 7:10 p.m., Park Hill Community Room, 1A Park Hill, Broad Brook, CT

### **ATTENDANCE**

Brenda Crockett, Rebecca Crockett, Javon Edwards, Lori Gabriel, Laura Harney, Marisa Prior, Charles Nordell

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None

### **OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS**

- Wall of Fame – Lori and Brenda agreed to carve out time to create one on Facebook page
- Golf Tournament – Grassmere Country Club, Enfield CT - When: May 20, 2023, Noon-7:00 p.m  
Details of event details discussed (Golf Tournament May 20 2023.doc)
- Rubber Duck and Cardboard Boat Race – Sunday, July 9, 2023 – Invited Boy Scouts and Girl Scout troops to participate in both races. (Ana Maria Davis is Service Unit Manager for EW Girl Scouts and Bill Ruggerio will be our Boy Scout of EW contact to seek participation).
- Bottle & Can Drive – Allyson Crockett will lead the first of our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual drives for community service hours.
- EW BMX & Skatepark Committee, in partnership with Fat Trax Open House Event – August, 2023. Brenda suggested this event to the committee to as a way to encourage the community to enjoy the park and to promote the BMX and skateboarding sports to youth. (BMX Skatepark Fat Trax Open House.doc)
- New Park Equipment Order – Brenda will talk with Cole at American Ramp Company to finalize equipment quote for south-end of park, delivery and installation timelines, deposit and final payment requirements for order.
- Also, Brenda will research options for park bench (\$400 donated amount from the Brunelle family made in Tom Kalmanidis' memory). Will price out plaque to be installed on it as well.
- Committee discussed possibility of participating once again in EW P&R National Night Out at the Reservoir and the EW Historical Society Ice Cream Social in September (neither are traditionally fundraising opportunities for us but more for community participation). There was reluctance to participate in the August event due to exclusion of the EW BMX group in greetings by and photos taken of all participants by P&R Director, although we will consider participating regardless.

- Due to timing, benched discussion about ordering clothing and merchandise with Park name and logo on it for a future meeting.
- Charlie let us know that Geissler's Supermarket Hot Dog fundraiser will be (understandably) offered to another EW fundraising committee for this year (they rotate the opportunity to fundraising groups in town).
- Marisa filled us in on Kickstarter fundraising that she researched. You have to have tangible items to sell, so we will not be pursuing this.
- Lori will ask Enfield if we can partner with them this year in their Food Truck annual event.

BOS-appointed Representative, Charlie, shared suggestions:

- See if we can get on the list with the Board of Selectman (BOS) to receive invitation annually to submit a budget for the EW BMX & Skate Park Committee (which we have not received to date).
- Contact the EW Board of Finance to see if we can get on their agenda\*:
  - Bring 2023 Summary Sheet of Finances and detailed list of itemized funding request
  - Full financial accounting from day one to date
- \*Other volunteer groups in town that submit budgets are, to name a few, "Arts & Culture", "Diversity", "American River Heritage" and more.
- Seek standard \$75/meeting for a recording secretary.

(See attached for mail trail.) Per Jerilyn, BOF, we don't qualify for the above 3 items.

- Attend a Park & Rec. Commission Meeting to seek their support.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 8:50 p.m.

----- Original Message -----

From: Jerilyn Corso <jcorso@eastwindsorct.com>

To: Brenda Crockett <bcrockett812@cox.net>

Cc: Lori Gabriel <Lori@TeamGabriel.net>, "laurarharney1@gmail.com" <laurarharney1@gmail.com>, "dcrockett812@cox.net" <dcrockett812@cox.net>, Rebecca Crockett <rcrockett2019@gmail.com>, Marisa Prior <gmprior@cox.net>, Charles Nordell <cnordell@eastwindsorct.com>, Daniel Wellspeak <dwellspeak92@icloud.com>, BOF Members <bofmembers@eastwindsorct.com>, Amy O'Toole <aotoole@eastwindsorct.com>

Date: March 31, 2023 at 12:59 PM

Subject: Re: Board of Finance - Monday, April 3 meeting Agenda

Dear Brenda,

I have looked back on your groups history. Since your group began in 2008 I don't show you being a part of the budget process. In looking back to your Jan 28 2008 meeting minutes it states all your funds will be strictly raised by the committee and local businesses. Also it shows you met with the first selectman in August and discussed the budget process and other funding sources but I don't show a submission after that meeting. Unfortunately we would not be able to add you at this time but if it is an Avenue you intend to pursue in the future I would suggest reaching out after this cycle to see if adding your group is a possibility.

Sincerely,

Jerilyn

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**From:** Brenda Crockett <bcrockett812@cox.net>

**Sent:** Wednesday, March 29, 2023 10:50 PM

**To:** Jerilyn Corso <jcorso@eastwindsorct.com>

**Cc:** Lori Gabriel <Lori@TeamGabriel.net>; laurarharney1@gmail.com <laurarharney1@gmail.com>; dcrockett812@cox.net <dcrockett812@cox.net>; Rebecca Crockett <rcrockett2019@gmail.com>; Marisa Prior <gmprior@cox.net>; Charles Nordell <cnordell@eastwindsorct.com>; Daniel Wellspeak <dwellspeak92@icloud.com>

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Hi Jerilyn,

I'm sorry that I didn't see your reply below before I just sent an e-mail to the BOF members for the same.

To answer your question, we learned at our monthly committee meeting this week that First Selectman Bowsza inadvertently did not extend an invitation to our committee to submit a Budget Proposal for consideration with all the others currently being reviewed by the Board of Finance. We are hopeful we will still be able to do so.

Is this possible?

Brenda

On March 29, 2023 at 1:12 PM Jerilyn Corso <jcorso@eastwindsorct.com> wrote:

Hi Brenda,

The third is a budget workshop it is not a normal meeting. What is it that you are looking to do?

Jerilyn

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**From:** Brenda Crockett <bcrockett812@cox.net>

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 28, 2023 12:46 PM

**To:** Jerilyn Corso <jcorso@eastwindsorct.com>

**Cc:** Lori Gabriel <Lori@TeamGabriel.net>; laurarharney1@gmail.com <laurarharney1@gmail.com>; dcrockett812@cox.net <dcrockett812@cox.net>; Rebecca Crockett <rcrockett2019@gmail.com>; Marisa Prior <gmprior@cox.net>; Charles Nordell <cnordell@eastwindsorct.com>; Daniel Wellspeak <dwellspeak92@icloud.com>  
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Jerilyn,

We would like to add the EW BMX & Skateboard Park Committee to the agenda for the April 3, 2023 Board of Finance Meeting. Would you be able to assist me with this?

Brenda Crockett

Chairperson, EW BMX & Skatepark Committee

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(Board of Finance Response to Request to Submit EWBMX Skate Park Budget.doc)