



EAST VALLEY COMMUNITY GROUP  
(EVCG)  
Monthly Meeting Minutes, February 7, 2023  
Meeting held via Zoom

Present: Betsy Race, Allison Belisle, Christine Settles, Peggy Whiteneck, Joan Feierabend, Sarah Jolivette, Mark Kelley, Marcia Hammond, Jane Terry, Elizabeth Lord, Josie Carothers

1. Meeting called to order by Chair Betsy Race at 5:33 PM.
2. Introductions and Celebrations: Successful selectboard meeting!
3. Changes to the Agenda: Add email from The Herald to New Business
4. Secretary's Report:
  - a. Approval of Minutes: A motion to approve the January minutes as written was made by Josie Carothers and seconded by Joan Feireabend. No further discussion. The motion passed unanimously.
  - b. Action items - all complete!
5. Treasurer's Report

Allison gave an overview of the Treasurer's report. A contribution was made by Daniel Toner and Wendy Fearing in Memory of Davis Dimock and Victoria Weber and they asked us to designate the funds where they will be most useful. Allison made the motion to record this gift as a general contribution, Mark seconded. The motion passed unanimously. A motion to approve the January Treasurer's report was made by Mark and seconded by Joan. No further discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

  - The 990N and Secretary of State Biennium filing have been completed for 2023.
6. Committee Updates
  - a. Events Committee: Sarah will update the decor at the Hall for February before Valentine's Day. At the most recent meeting the topic of planting flowers and perennials around the base of the Welcome sign was discussed. Decisions about plant choices and layout will be made in the spring. The suggestion was made to reach out to the East Randolph Fire Department (ERFD) Auxiliary Committee to see if they would be interested in helping run Bingo and share the proceeds. Marcia moved that EVCG invite the ERFD Auxiliary to help run Bingo in 2023, Joan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Betsy will contact Trevor to find out 1) if EVCG can run Bingo again in

2023, 2) when can we start - May?, 3) how would the town feel about EVCG bringing on partner organizations to help run the games.

Mark mentioned that David Markwood spent quite a bit of his own funds to build the frame for the sign. Josie moved that EVCG reimburse him for the cost of materials, Joan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with no further discussion. Joan will reach out to him to find out how much the group can compensate him.

b. Public Relations Committee: Marcia wrote the newsletter. Marcia reported that 58% of newsletter recipients opened the newsletter. Josie wrote the Town Report in December.

c. Capital Campaign Committee: With the Selectboard's agreement that we should move forward with getting the Hall back to a state of usability, it is time to reconstitute the Capital Campaign Committee. Who will be a member? Peggy felt like as the grant writer it made sense for her to be on the committee. Christine, Jane, and Betsy are willing to continue on the committee too. A meeting was scheduled for March 20 at 5:15 pm to get us back in the swing of things.

d. Grants Committee: No updates

## 7. Old Business

None

## 8. New Business:

- a. Does EVCG want to support the Herald's "Get Lost in a Book" project with a paid ad? After discussion the group didn't feel like it was a great fit for us.

**Action Items:** Sarah will update the decorations in front of the Hall.

Joan will reach out to David Markwood to find out how much the sign materials cost so that we can reimburse him.

Betsy will contact Trevor Lashua and the ERFD Auxiliary regarding Bingo. Pass on information re: Hall load capacity to Peggy and the rest of the group.

Allison will pay David once we have details. She will also contact Ann at The Herald.

Marcia will post on Front Porch Forum reminding the community that we're here and open to new members.

## 9. Next meeting: **second** Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at 5:30 PM.

## 10. The meeting was adjourned at 6:54 PM on a motion by Joan and seconded by Allison.