

Our Mission

"To facilitate, enhance, and create recreational opportunities throughout the Mad River Valley that promote community vitality, physical fitness, appreciation for the outdoors, and a high quality of life."

## Background:

The Mad River Valley Recreation District (MRVRD) was incorporated by MOU in 1994. Member towns include Fayston, Warren, and Waitsfield. The District is led by a nine-member Board of Directors: Two board members are appointed by the Select Boards of each member town and serve 2 to 3-year terms. Up to three additional "at-large" members may be appointed by the MRVRD Board.

The Board provides organizational leadership and strategic direction to advance the MRVRD's mission in the MRV community. Vital roles of the Board include oversight of the annual budget and implementation of a long-standing recreational grant program which provides municipal funding to recreation initiatives in the Valley. Board members also engage in planning for events and act as liaisons with many local partners who create and sustain recreational sites and programs, including trails, youth recreation leagues, and all-age programs which bring residents and visitors together for recreational activities which support the social and physical health of our community.

## **Board Member Responsibilities:**

- Attend and participate in monthly meetings and in at least one occasional special event. Board Meetings are currently on the third Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm.
- Help other Board members or the Ex. Director with projects or events (i.e. gear exchange or volunteer day), or assist a recreation partner with special initiatives.
- Advise and advance MRVRD initiatives in your area of interest and expertise and serve on ad-hoc committees as necessary.
- Help communicate and promote MRVRD's mission and programs within the community.
- Become familiar with MRVRD's policies, finances, budget, and strategic goals.

As we put together a well-rounded team, we'd like to welcome board members who:

- Are new or long-time residents of Waitsfield, Warren or Fayston.
- Value recreation of all types, for all ages and members of our community.
- Have time and energy to participate in monthly meetings, special events and initiatives.
- Experience in the following areas is helpful: communications (website, social media, etc.); event planning; community organizing/engagement; fundraising or grant administration; note taking.

## **For Front Porch Forum:**

Do you love to recreate in the Mad River Valley? The Mad River Valley Recreation District (MRVRD) is looking for one volunteer (due to a move out of the area) to serve on its Board of Directors by August 1st, 2022.. Board members attend monthly meetings (third Tuesday of each month) and dedicate some additional time to collaborating with community partners or assisting with some aspect of MRVRD's work plan. Join a friendly and passionate team of Valley residents and a part-time Ex. Director who work together to advance the MRVRD's mission to enhance the quality of life in the Valley through recreation. Please email <a href="mailto:laura@mrvrd.org">laura@mrvrd.org</a> and tell us about your interest in joining the MRVRD. We will respond with a full job description and answer questions.