Town of Bristol





June 17, 2020

Sarah Stott & Howard Jennings 34 Sprout Street Bristol, VT 05443 Via E-mail: <u>thejenningsgroup@aol.com</u> Via E-mail: <u>sstott@comcast.net</u>

Re: Park Use Permit for Public Gathering

Dear Sarah and Howard:

It came to our attention that a public gathering was organized and held on the Town Green on Monday, June 8. You may not be aware that the Bristol Selectboard adopted a Public Displays and Public Assemblages Ordinance in 2017 that applies to events on public properties. A copy is attached and is available on Bristol's Web site, along with an application for use of Town parks. The purpose of the ordinance and application process is to protect public health and safety, to prevent nuisances, and to ensure that adequate provisions are in place in advance that may require public services.

This process is not intended to stifle or inhibit public expression or events, but to ensure adequate measures are in place—and followed—so they can occur without compromising public health, safety, and well-being.

If future events are planned by yourselves or others, we will appreciate your cooperation and your assistance to help other organizers be aware that this ordinance is in place.

Do not hesitate to contact me at 453-2410 or <u>townadmin@bristolvt.org</u> if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

alire Capel

Valerie Capels Town Administrator

Encs.

C: Selectboard Bruce Nason, Police Chief Meridith McFarland, Recreation Director