

West Barnstable Civic Association
Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes

September 8, 2020

Outdoor Meeting at home of Nancy Meagher

I. Call to order

Nancy Meagher, President called to order the regular meeting of the West Barnstable Civic Association at 5:30 PM on September 8, 2020.

II. Attendance:

Leslie Wallace, Jon Britton, Bob Stolte, Gary Cremeans, Nancy Meagher, Andy Lee, Dan Dewey, George Zoto, Kris Clark and Pam Chase.

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Bob Stolte motioned, Jon Britton seconded and unanimous vote taken to accept minutes of July 7, 2020 Board Meeting.

IV. Councilor's Report – Kris Clark

On August 15th, the Whelden Memorial Library trustees honored Mary Howe with its annual Citizen of the Year award.

On September 3, 2020, the Barnstable Town Council voted on a draft ordinance to address Short Term Rentals. The draft is on the town's website and may be viewed here. It can be found by looking under Departments>Planning and Development>Projects>Short Term Rental Information. You may also sign up with the town for updates on short term rentals on that same webpage.

The town has a helpful webpage to provide updates on the COVID-19 situation in Barnstable. On September 3rd, the 84th update was issued showing a slight uptick at the end of August of positive cases in the Town of Barnstable

There will be a strategic planning session of the Town Council via Zoom on Saturday, September 12, 2020 from 8am-4pm.

There will be a Hazardous Waste Collection at the Transfer Station this coming Saturday, September 12 from 9 AM-12 Noon. Participants must have a current Full Transfer Station Sticker. Without a current sticker, participants must show proof of year-round residency or residential property ownership in the Town of Barnstable to participate in the collection and pay a \$10.00 per visit fee.

The Barnstable Public School System has planned its Reopening Plan which may be viewed on the school department's website.

With Randy Hunt's departure from the state legislature, we will have a new representative. Steven Xiarhos will be running against James Dever for the seat vacated by Representative Randy Hunt. The Town Clerks have to send in their information by this coming Saturday. Town Clerk Ann Quirk expects that we will see sample/early voting ballots in about two weeks or so.

There will be a 9/11 ceremony on Friday, September 11 in Barnstable Village at the Barnstable Fire Station at 9:55am. This service will be live streamed on the town's channel 18 Facebook page. At 4:30pm, there will be a virtual service program provided by St. Mary's Church in Barnstable, which will also be live-streamed on the St. Mary's Facebook page.

The Barnstable Council on Aging is offering a new program, the Savvy Caregiver Program –a six-session online training for FREE for family and friends who are caregivers. The fall session will be held on Thursdays, October 1st – November 5th from 10 AM – 12 Noon. Register at the Senior Services Department.

Free breakfast and lunch are available for any student free of charge. Pick-up locations are at the Hyannis West Elementary School and the Barnstable Community Innovation School from 10 AM-12 Noon.

There is also free grocery delivery service for Barnstable County Seniors and residents at higher risk. See barnstablecountyhealth.org for more information.

Local construction projects: at intersection of Falmouth Road and Osterville-West Barnstable Road. Oak Street- looking into it.

There is a permitted project at the end of Scudder Lane on private properties, armoring the bluff to the west of Scudder Lane. Expect traffic congestion there from today until October 31st.

Discussions ongoing for additional tower for Cell service.

V. Officers Reports

Treasurer – Bob Stolte

Bob gave a 6 month report of finances.

Balance as of 8/31/2020

- a) Checking \$3,434.63
- b) Savings-Scholarship \$255.76
- c) PayPal \$66.58

Pam motioned, Leslie seconded and unanimous vote taken to accept the report.

- d) Bob reported that password needs to be reset in order to access PayPal account. Nancy will work on resolving this issue.

Corresponding Secretary – Andy Lee

Andy will invite Steven Xiarhos and James Dever to WBCA General Membership Meet the Candidates Tuesday, October 20th at 6:30 PM. The meeting will be virtual (Zoom).

Membership – Jon Britton

No business

Scholarship Committee

Need a Chairperson

VI. Old Business

- a) Mercy Otis Warren – Mimi O’Connell – Announced in Barnstable Patriot
- b) WBCA Stationery has arrived. Please see Nancy or Andy if needed.
- c) Short Term Rentals – No vote until October 1st.
- d) Scholarship – Will start looking at fundraising ideas for 2021. Chair needed
- e) *Cornerstone* – Plan to be printed and mailed by October 9th .

VII. New Business

Meet the Candidates – October 20th – Will look into meeting outdoors at Fire Station?

VIII. Meeting Dates

Tuesday, October 6, 2020 Board Zoom Meeting

Tuesday, October 20, 2020 – General Membership and Meet the Candidates. Location TBD

IX. Adjournment

Nancy Meagher, President adjourned the meeting at 7:20PM.

Minutes submitted by: Pam Chase, Recording Secretary

Minutes approved by: Name