

West Barnstable Civic Association

Meeting Minutes via Zoom

Tuesday, February 2, 2021

I. Call to Order

Nancy Meagher, President called to order the regular meeting of the West Barnstable Civic Association at 7:01PM on Tuesday, February 2, 2021 via Zoom.

II. Attendance

Nancy Meagher, Jon Britton, Andy Lee, Dolores Schemer, Tony Lovell, Dan Dewey, Bob Stolte, Leslie Wallace, George Zoto, and Kris Clark. Guests were Sue Leary and Heather Malkani.

III. Approval of Minutes

Approval of meeting minutes from January 5, 2021 meeting.

Bob Stolte motioned. Leslie Wallace seconded. Unanimous vote taken to approve.

IV. Councilor's Report

Kris reported that she received information there will be a COVID 19 update via telephone on 2/3 at 5:30pm for residents of Barnstable County. There will be a robocall placed on 2/2 to let residents know about the meeting.

There will be a Zoning Board meeting and this will include information on the Accessory Dwelling Units discussion in addition to the short term rental discussion.

Kris also reported on some agenda items for the next Town Council meeting.

V. Officer Reports

Treasurer – Bob Stolte

Lots of new memberships to report! We had several new donations to the GoFundMe for the scholarship fund. We are up to \$1450 for the scholarship account. A good month for income. Only expenses are GoFundMe and Paypay fees.

Andy Lee motioned. Leslie Wallace seconded. Unanimous vote taken to approve the report.

Corresponding Secretary – Andy Lee

Nothing to report at present. Andy sent thank you notes to guest presenters who attended last Civic Association Meeting.

Membership – Jon Britton

Jon sent out a reminder regarding memberships for those who have unpaid dues. We now have 28 members. Nancy and Jon discussed sending out an email blast to remind residents to sign up.

Andy Lee motioned. Leslie Wallace seconded. Unanimous vote taken to approve the report.

VI. Old Business

- a) Scholarship Committee Update. Spread the word about the GoFundMe link.

The scholarship has been posted. Sue confirmed she checked school sites, and links are working. Currently, we do not have any applicants, but deadline is not until April 1st. We are hoping to have a few applicants by the deadline.

Ideas for publicizing the scholarship fund: Poster at the Bank and the Post Office. Article in the Barnstable Patriot and other papers. Sue Leary will pursue this in partnership with Nancy.

- b) Decorations taken down and locked in Community Building

Decorations are down and stored away. Any decorations purchased this year will be treated as donations by those who provided them. No reimbursements needed from Civic Association.

- c) Review of Event Schedule for 2021

Nancy reviewed the current 2021 schedule of events. Some events will be cancelled or postponed due to COVID-19.

- Dan'l Webster Fundraiser Dinner – TBD
- Annual Spaghetti Supper – Cancelled.
- The Village Clean-up – Date in April TBD. Tony Lovell to lead effort with assistance from Dan Dewey.
- Flag Day – To be held. Can be socially distanced. Typically held outside.
- 4th of July Parade – Pending....
- COAST Sweep – TBD. Group agreed to move discussion on this event to a later date.
- Annual Tree Lighting – To be held. We will reevaluate closer to date, if needed but current trends indicate it will be safe to attend in-person as in years past.

VII. New Business

- a) Mercy Otis Warren donation

Ann Canedy sent an email to the Civic Association regarding nominations for the Mercy Otis Warren donation. Civic Association will donate \$50 to the sponsorship.

Bob Stolte made a motion. Dolores seconded the motion. Unanimous vote taken to approve the report.

VIII. Public Comment

Discussion of the First Responders Bridge and the vandalized flags. Kris Clark noted that the bridge is due to be repaired, and the fencing will be replaced. The flags may not be allowed long-term? Question on permitting process and negative publicity for village when flags are vandalized. Kris Clark noted there was a lack of broader community involvement in any early discussion about appearance of flags on bridge.

IX: Meeting Dates

Tuesday, March 2, 2021, 7:00 PM - Board Meeting Zoom

Tuesday, April 6, 2021, 7:00 PM - Board Meeting Zoom

X: Adjourn

Dolores Schermer motioned. Andy Way seconded. Unanimous vote taken to adjourn at 7:53pm.

Minutes submitted by: Marissa Caney, Director