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**Minutes**  
**Executive Board Meeting, Tuesday, June 4, 2019, 7:00 PM**  
**Cotuit Library**

**Present:** James Dannhauser, Natalie Spence, Seth Burdick, Chris Gargiulo, Dick Hamilton, Fred Johanson, Lallie Lloyd, Mike Scanlon, Carol Zais

**Absent:** Tom Burgess, Dave Doyle, Mark Lynch

**Guest:** Jessica Rapp Grasseti, Town Councilor

**Call to Order:** Jim Dannhauser called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

**Precinct 7 Report:**

- Carry-In/Carry-Out at the Town Dock appears to be working well so far. Big Belly Trash Receptacles have been moved to Loop and Oregon. Little River blue barrel has been removed. Ropes has a blue barrel while Big Belly is away during construction. Lallie Lloyd commented that signage at the Town Dock was good.
- Crosswalks: so far, most feedback has been positive. There is a request for the brick feature at School and Piney Road. Nothing can be done in front of the Cotuit Grocery. At the 3-way stop at Main/Ocean View: there are no plans to relocate telephone pole on Ocean View and no decision at this time on changes to granite curbing. Warning flags on signs are temporary, but all felt it was good to have up the warning flags up through the season to get more summer folks acquainted with the new stop signs at the intersection.
- A question was asked about why the High Street crosswalk isn't aligned with the Post Office: possibly due to loss of parking space?
- Sidewalk repair underway in front of Cotuit Inn will include drainage corrections to prevent sidewalk erosion. Same to occur on other end of Main street where there is similar issue.
- Vessel storage at Ropes: The Old Shore group has not met.
- No antennas will be attached to the new Cotuit cell tower until osprey nesting season is over. At 414 Main St., the old cell tower lot is still waiting for work to be completed before landscaping.
- Recreation Department tour of Cotuit Properties. 1. Cotuit Primary School property: there was discussion but no decision on removal of the existing playground nor decision on repair to the field at this site. There have been lots of calls to stop street hockey games on tennis courts. Cape Cod Collaborative is scheduled to go into the school building. Waldorf School will vacate on June 30<sup>th</sup>. 2. Loop: capital improvement funds are allotted for the bathhouse with some funds possibly used for solar assisted electrics. 3. Memorial Park: no plans are underway for the playground.

4. Ropes beach: there are plans for steps over barrier wall to beach as a safe way to water as part of current run-off project. There are plans for beach nourishment in future after permits are requested and granted.
- Jessica reminded members of the Board of Health Meeting on Tuesday, June 25<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM in the Town Hall hearing Room, taking up the proposal to extend the business district along Route 28 in Centerville and rescind the moratorium on septic systems flowing into the Three Bays area.

### **Business meeting:**

1. **Secretary's Report:** On a motion made and seconded, the Secretary's minutes of the Concerns of Cotuit meeting and the Executive Board meeting of May 7, 2018 were accepted as written.
2. **Treasurer's Report:** On a motion made and seconded, the Treasurer's report to May 31, 2019 was accepted.

### **Old Business:**

1. **Ropes Beach/APCC work:** Jim Dannhauser reviewed communication with April Wobst concerning the ongoing construction of the water garden at this site. He will inform her that in-service for the Cotuit Mosquito Yacht Club commences on June 17. Mike Scanlon offered in-put about kayak racks and volunteered to chair a committee to create a comprehensive plan for Ropes. Lallie Lloyd offered to serve on committee. Carol Zais asked what the APCC Library project entailed. This will be a water garden above the playground with educational information. This project will be presented at Civic Association August general meeting.
2. **Spring Clean-up.** Mike Scanlon reported that the event was very successful with circa 30 people participating on the day of the event with additional volunteers on other days. It was suggested that notifications be improved with signs in the village, as well as a public service announcement in the *Cape Cod Times* and *Barnstable Patriot*. Jessica Grassetti will send Jim Dannhauser contacts for this. There was a general agreement that the Association should provide litter grabbers. Jim Dannhauser will procure a supply. No sharps were reported this year, but a downed wire was identified at Cross Street.
3. **4th of July Parade:** Information and applications for parade floats and groups are now posted on the website. Tom Burgess and Carol Zais will handle registration before and at the beginning of the Parade. Carol has a 'burner' cell phone for Parade use. People needing information about registration etc. may call 774-393-5093. Participants have until June 21<sup>st</sup> to register. Jim is keeping a spreadsheet of registrants for Carol and Tom, who will meet all registrants on day of parade to provide line up. Both bands will attend as the Mariners decided to come at the price we requested. Mike Scanlon will be coordinating the Road crew on day of event: Chief Paul Rhude has given permission for the road crew truck to park at Cotuit Fire Department 7/3-7/5/19. Lallie Lloyd will cover the walkers meeting at High Street. Jim will meet all the other volunteers at the PO to review safety needs and provide them with a handout. All volunteers should be at this meeting at 10:15. Any weather call-out will be done via signs updated and emails.
4. **Insurance:** General Liability will be renewed at a cost \$1667.00 per annum. Further information is expected concerning event coverage.
5. **Fire District Meetings:** Prudential Committee member Silvio Genao would like to coordinate efforts to better educate and communicate with the villagers on how the Cotuit Fire District

works. Carol mentioned she would like to work on this with him and will reach out to him to participate. It was noted that postcard used to be sent to remind villagers about dates of District voting and the District Annual Meeting. There was mention that the Prudential Committee may send out the Warrant next year.

- 6. General Meetings: The Cotuit Center of the Arts' expansion project will be the topic June 18, 2019. The Barnstable Land trust will present on July 16 and the Association to Preserve Cape Cod will up-date water run-off projects after the Annual Meeting on August 20.**

**New Business:**

- 1. Annual Appeal:** Jim has prepared this, and it has been reviewed. He will get it to the printer.
- 2. Cotuit Community Wellness Program:** Chris Dawley and Don Campbell would like to present ideas for a Cotuit Community Wellness Program for aging in place resources. It was mentioned to them that they could tag on to an existing general meeting, as all months are currently booked. They have not responded to date.

**The Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.**

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Zais, Acting Secretary

Transcribed, Thomas K. Burgess, Secretary

