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Minutes
Executive Board Meeting, Tuesday, September 2, 2019, 7:00 PM
Cotuit Library

Present: James Dannhauser, Tom Burgess, Natalie Spence, Lallie Lloyd, Mark Lynch, Mike Scanlon, Mark Stranberg, Carol Zais

Absent: Seth Burdick, Dave Doyle, Chris Gargiulo, Fred Johanson,

Guest: Jessica Rapp Grasseti, Town Councilor

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

1. Jim welcomed new member, Mark Stranberg, to the Board as well as reelected members, Mark Lynch, Mike Scanlon and Carol Zais.
2. **Nomination and Election of Officers:** On a motion made and seconded, the following officers were elected for 2019-2020: Jim Dannhauser, President; Carol Zais, Vice President; Natalie Spence, Treasurer; Tom Burgess, Secretary.

Precinct 7 Report: Jessica Rapp Grasseti updated the board on the following items:

- **Roads**
 - The **Santuit River bridge** will be under construction until early December.
 - **Old King's Road** will see some drainage work this Fall, but resurfacing will be done in the Spring, after the culvert at the river is completed. Traffic to and from Mashpee is diverted.,
 - **Coolidge Street** will be leveled and resurfaced this Fall.
 - **Lewis Pond Road** will be milled and resurfaced this Fall
 - Jessica will push to have **Highland Avenue** get resurfaced in the near future.
 - Residents on and near **Ocean View Ave.** have submitted a petition to the Town to have speed bumps put on the road.
 - Jessica will go to the Cape Cod Commission to see if the project at **Rte. 28 and Santuit-Newtown Road** can be reactivated.
 - Lallie Lloyd wondered if the **stop signs at Ocean View and Main** might be subject to review. Jessica indicated that the granite work that had been done would be looked at again, and that perhaps the stop signs could be a part of that review.
 - She also raised the question of pedestrian and bike safety at the **90 degree turn at Pinquixet Cove Road and Main St.**
- **Commercial Moorings: Inner Harbor**

- There has been considerable complaint about the barges stored at Inner Harbor by Beacon Marine with a large crane on one and pilings on another, neither of which have been moved or used during the summer. Jessica has recommended that the aggrieved parties address the Town Waterways Committee.
- **Carry in / Carry out**
 - This program has been a great success at the Town Dock and Riley's Beach.

Business meeting:

1. **Secretary's Report:** On a motion made and seconded, the Secretary's minutes of the Executive Board meeting of August 6, 2019 and the Annual Meeting of August 20, 2019 were accepted as written.
2. **Treasurer's Report:** On a motion made and seconded, the Treasurer's report to August 31, 2019 was accepted. A donation of \$500.00 for the fishing tournament made out to the Civic Association has been sent directly to the Association. Jim Dannhauser reported that the Fishing Tournament sponsor had indicated that they had reached their financial goal for the event and that they expected to make a donation to the Association for the costs of the Parade and Christmas in Cotuit at the usual time. \$750.00 was received from Pat Lintell from the Firecracker 5k race.

Old Business:

1. **Memorial Park:** The Board discussed the memorandum circulated by Jim Dannhauser earlier in the week. It was recommended that Jim write to Mark Els proposing that the Town undertake a phase 1 improvement to the park which would include improving the front flower beds, removing the sick trees, moving the monuments and the flag pole to a central position and linking the flag pole area to the steps of the Cotuit Library. Improvements to the park to the west of the flagpole would be delayed until the final nature of expansion to the Church and Bruce Hall have been finalized. The Association will make an offer of a donation toward Phase 1 improvements and seek to get CPC funds allocated for their implementation. Jim will submit a letter within a week.
2. **Report on Fire District Meetings:** Carol reported that the Prudential Committee has received a new plan for building a village office next to the Fire Station. She has recommended that the Prudential Committee have several educational meetings with villagers before putting a proposal to build forward at a special district meeting. The Water Dept.'s warrant to establish a Stabilization Fund failed to have an appended motion to authorize the Treasurer to expend money to fund the Water Department Stabilization Fund and to indicate from what source the money was to come from: (1) taxes (2) free cash (3) borrowing or (4) transfer from the existing Stabilization Fund. This will have to wait for the next district meeting. Jim will write to the appropriate village officials requesting that monies intended for the fund not be spent on other projects. The Fire Commissioners are pricing renovating the roof of the fire station.

New Business:

1. **Cape Cod Elder Law** After discussion, the Board accepted a recommendation of Lallie Lloyd that this firm be invited to speak at one of the general meetings next year in lieu of having any presence at the Xmas in Cotuit.
2. **Website Revamp:** Chris Cohoat has agreed to refresh the model of our website and try to provide increased functionality and an improved news section. He will research other aspects such as offering the opportunity to pay dues on-line

- 3. Donor Recognition:** With the Board's approval, Jim Dannhauser will write a thank you e-mail to all donors who gave more than \$100.00 to the Association during the past year. He will also write a note reminding the 89 2018 members who have been not been heard from so far this year to renew their membership..

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:03 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas K. Burgess, Secretary