

**Minutes of the Stony Creek Association – Executive Board Meeting
January 6, 2015**

A meeting of the Stony Creek Association Executive Board was called to order by Dan Bullard -President at Willoughby Wallace Memorial Library at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 6, 2015.

Present: Dan Bullard -President, Greg Ames -Treasurer, Dee Dee Hakun, Linda Reed, Sandy Fischer, Kathryn Coffin, Bonnie Sanders-Newton, Hannah Purdy, Mark Richter, Nick Fischer, Betsy Wieland, Josh Brooks, and Sam Kirby.

Absent:

Public: 6

Minutes:

- Motion made by Sandy Fischer, seconded by Linda Reed and approved to accept the minutes of December 2, 2014 with the following edits:
 - Maintenance: boat ramp needs to be **repaired**, not painted.
 - Legal & Zoning: **28 School St.**, not 128 School St.
 - Village District: will most likely be more than 3 nominees and 2/3 of nominees will be from Stony Creek.

Treasurer’s Report: Greg Ames – Treasurer

- Motion made by Sandy Fischer, seconded by Josh Brooks and approved to send the following Treasurer’s Report for audit.

January 1, 2015

General Fund – Checking

Cash on Hand General Fund (Checking)	12/1/14	\$23,599.45
PLUS		
Interest received 11/30 & 12/2 (interest rate 0.05%)	12/31/14	\$1.07
Deposit contributions for surveillance camera		\$1,350.00
LESS		
Bills approved for payment	12/2/14	(\$160.00)
	12/30/14	(\$765.00)
Holiday concert contribution	12/7/14	(\$250.00)
Cash on Hand- Checking	1/1/15	\$23,775.52

Money Market Account

Cash on Hand	12/1/14	\$20,165.09
PLUS		
Interest received November 30 (Interest rate 0.30%)	12/31/14	\$4.97
Contributions to Theater Legal Fund	12/30/14	\$5,300.00
LESS		
Cash on Hand – Money Market Account	1/1/15	\$25,470.06

Total Assets January 1, 2015	\$49,245.58
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- Motion made by Josh Brooks, seconded by Sam Kirby and approved to contribute \$250 to the holiday concert.
- Contributions to the Stony Creek Association Theater Legal Fund can be given anonymously. Checks should be made out to the Stony Creek Association.

Bills:

- Motion made by Josh Brooks/seconded by Linda Reed and unanimously approved to pay the following bills:

○ TO: Meagan M. DeJesus	FOR: Secretarial services December	\$90.00
○ TO: Phil Brencher	FOR: Lights on the tree at Mem. Tri.	\$287.26
○ TO: Fasano Ippolito & Lee	FOR: Services through November	<u>\$2,200.00</u>
○ TOTAL BILLS		\$4,970.06

Tax Collector:

- 34 outstanding.

Legal and Zoning:

- Nothing to report from Planning and Zoning.
- Zoning Board of Appeals: 116 Thimble Island Rd. cease and desist order was issued and a hearing will be held on January 20 at 7:00pm. Work was done on property without numerous permits. (See attached)
- Village District:
 - Will become effective February 1, 2015. Committee is meeting with the town this month to discuss and decide on processes and nominees.
- Legacy Theater:
 - Attorney Lee filed complaint on behalf of Joan Johnson, Rob Alling, the Stach family, and the Stony Creek Association re: Tenet Fit Up application filed by Legacy Theater.
 - Opposing side, Branford Zoning Board of Appeals, must respond to complaint by January 1 and then there will be a briefing schedule. 30-60 days between each step of process, could lengthen entire process to be 1-2 years.

Police and Traffic:

- No new incidences this month.
- Surveillance camera is up and operating. Local businesses have expressed interest in a second camera. Branford Police Dept. would not cover the cost of an additional camera. Detective Travisano stated it may cost approximately \$2,000 to put the camera up and house it. Additionally, \$200/month to monitor. Committee to deliver information to local businesses and see if there is interest based on the above information.
- The Stony Creek Association would like to thank the local businesses who contributed to the cost of the new camera.

Maintenance:

- Garbage cans will be cleaned and repainted.
- Sidewalks will be the first thing done in the spring.
- Checking sidewalks for needed repairs.
- Guard rail on Leetes Island Rd. needs to be repaired.
- Road at 4 corners is all bumpy and needs to be repaved.
- Center lines from highway down to 4 corners needs to be repainted.
- Parking spot next to boat ramp needs to be repainted.
- May be some changes to public garbage collection.

- Hannah Purdy has been asked to work with Alex Paluzzi while Sandy Fischer is away and Mark Richter has been asked to work with Tom Brennan.
- Jennifer Aquino, Town Zoning Enforcement Officer, working on the use of the school at 28 School St.
- Bathrooms at Bayview:
 - Town is looking into composting toilets, may not be feasible as ground water is too high.
 - Contractor is looking into the cost of the total project.
 - Would like to have both a men's and a women's lavatory.
 - Discussion: looking into purchasing a piece of the parking lot next to the Post Office.
 - Town has \$150,000 grant plus \$500,000 for this project.
 - Janice Plaziak, Town Engineer, is looking into whether the Park can support a septic system.
 - Planning for 2 single occupancy lavatories.
- Concerns about grate next to sidewalk on upper Thimble Island Rd.

Administration:

- No report.

Old Business:

- Costco: no formal application has been submitted at the Town level. Sam Kirby, Hannah Purdy, and Mark Richter (Costco Committee) will brainstorm a course of action and get any available information about the possibility of Costco coming to Branford.
- Motion made by Josh Brooks, seconded by Sam Kirby to negotiate with the Town and the Legacy Theater to settle the current situation. Discussion:
 - Other parties involved in the appeal need to be involved in this.
 - Attorney Lee requested a Clarification of Decision from the Town Zoning Board of Appeals. Dan Bullard to find out where this stands.
 - Josh Brooks withdrew his motion.
 - Public: Stated we are not against the theater as proposed, 6 performances, 6 weeks a calendar year. We are against the Tenet Fit Up Permit for parties, concession, events, concert, and rentals.

A motion was made by Linda Reed, seconded by Betsy Wieland and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 9:24pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Meagan M. DeJesus, Secretary

The next meeting of the Stony Creek Association Executive Board will be held on Tuesday, February 3, 2015 at 7:30pm at the Willoughby Wallace Memorial Library.

NOTE:

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