# MINUTES OF STONY CREEK ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE BOARD REGULAR MEETING – TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2016

**Call to Order:** A regular meeting of the Stony Creek Association Executive Board was called to order at 7:30pm on Tuesday, September 6, 2016, at Willoughby Wallace Library by Dan Bullard, President.

**Executive Board:** Present: Dan Bullard, President Greg Ames, Treasurer

Bob Babcock, Vice President
Christine Chiocchio
Jim Walker
Mark Richter
Sandy Fischer
Ted Ells
Sam Kirby
Laura Barr
Pete DaRos

Absent: Nick Fischer, Tax Collector

Public: 14

#### **Minutes:**

August 2, 2016 Minutes:

- Legal & Zoning: ZBA: Resident at 23 School Street (Fischer) applied for a variance.
- Motion made by Sandy Fischer, seconded by Christine Chiocchio that the minutes of August 2, 2016 be approved. Approved, Jim Walker and Bob Babcock abstain.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

• Greg Ames presented the monthly report that has been approved by the auditors. Motion by Sandy Fischer and seconded by Jim Walker to approve the Treasurer's report for audit. All approved.

# September 1, 2016

General Fund – Checking				
Cash on Hand General Fund (Checking)	8/1/16	\$4,968.31		
PLUS				
Deposit CIRMA Equity Dist.	8/12/16	\$146.00		
LESS				
Bills approved for payment	8/2/16	<u>(\$1,171.77)</u>		
Cash on Hand- Checking	9/1/16	\$3,942.54		
Money Market Account				
Cash on Hand	8/1/16	\$34,565.84		
PLUS				
Interest received July 31				
(Int. Rate 0.30%)				
LESS				
Cash on Hand – Money Market Account	9/1/16	<u>\$34,565.84</u>		
Total Assets September 1, 2016		\$38,508.38		

Greg Ames presented bills to be paid, totaling \$2,167.92. Motion by Jim Walker and seconded by Sandy Fischer to pay the bills presented. All approved.

To: Dan Bullard
 For: SCA cell phone
 \$61.74
 To: Wayne Jacobson
 For: Maintenance August 4 weeks
 \$400.00

0	To: Fasano, Ippolito, Lee & Florentine	For: Legal services thru Aug 16	\$1,320.00
0	To: Jake Greenvall	For: Reimbursement for DogPoopBags.com	\$119.94
0	To: Page Hardware	For: Hose Repair Parts	\$9.78
0	To: Kathleen DaRos	For: Election Monitor	\$85.00
0	To: Tonya Greenvall	For: Election Monitor	\$70.00
0	To: Dale Lang Atkinson	For: Election Monitor	\$70.00
0	To: Sandy Fischer	For: Mulch	\$11.46
		For: Pizza Box Signs	<u>\$20.00</u>
0	TOTAL	-	\$2,167.92

- Fasano, Ippolito, Lee & Florentine bill includes:
  - o 7/11/16: Read the MOU and the parking observations, phone conversations with Attorney Strub and Attorney Hammel re: mediation and parking issues. \$275.00
  - 7/12/16: Meet with Sam, Jake, and Greg. Court Appearance at mediation before Judge Corradino.
     \$962.50
  - 7/25/16: Read the correspondence from Attorney Branse re: parking restrictions proposed by the neighbors. \$82.50

## **Tax Collector:**

• Sandy Fischer delivered the following report from Nick Fischer, Tax Collector: As of August 29, 2016 we have collected \$8,797.88, 44%, of the total tax amount due. We have received approximately 50 additional payments since this report that will be processed within the week.

#### **Legal & Zoning:**

- Planning & Zoning Agenda: 23 School Street variance was approved. 4 Ling Point Rd: special exception applied for an amendment to the FEMA map.
- Zoning Board of Appeals Agenda: nothing to report in Stony Creek.
- Can any vendor set up by the beach? Sandy Fischer will look into this.
- Concern from citizen about children running nude on the beach. SCA By-Laws used to have a nude bathing
  ordinance but it was removed when they were updated. Sandy Fischer suggested calling Alex Paluzzi at the Rec
  center. Jim Walker suggested writing to the RTM.
- Dogs should be on leashes although there is no leash law.

## **Police & Traffic:**

- Report from Sgt. Watrous states Stony Creek had 3-4 calls for service per week, 1 motor vehicle accident, 10+ larcenies, and 1 stolen vehicle in August. Also, trailer parked on Thimble Island Rd was asked to be moved, bus parked on Memorial Triangle was asked to leave.
- Christine Chiocchio, chair, will be planning a meeting with Sgt. Watrous to discuss issues in Stony Creek. Police Commissioner should be included in this meeting. After this, plan to have a meeting including the public.
- Public Comment:
  - o Speeding issues, strongly encouraged to consider adding speed bumps in town or elevated crosswalks.
  - o Issue with buses parking by the flag pole. Poor signage.
  - See attached letter from Stan Fischer.

#### Maintenance:

- Sandy Fischer, committee chair, reported that the garbage pick-up did not go well in August. She involved the First Selectman in this issue. Dan McGowan, meet in April to set parameters of how many days. Public garbage.
- Brush by the railroad overpass was cut down by town.
- Diana Ross, Tree Warden, still working on grant money for tree from state. If that is case, she will buy from Van Wilgen's and have them plant, we may be responsible for planting cost.

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- Spoke to the Tree Warden about the dogwood's on Memorial Triangle that were planted by the town years ago. There is nothing wrong, they need some TLC.
- Spoke to Peter Dougherty the state and the town regarding the sidewalk on Leetes Island Rd.: both replied they do not take care of this particular part of sidewalk because it is a state road.
- There is surverying being down on the stop lines at the four corners in addition to the new stop signs that were
  installed.
- "Thimble Island's Rd" sign will be fixed.

#### **Administration:**

No report.

#### **New Business:**

- Toilet: No update.
- Puppet House:
  - Attorney Caleb Hamel, representing the neighbors, reported that their discussions, some with the
    judge and some without, are very productive. He spoke with Sam Kirby this morning on some issues
    and hopes to have a memorandum of understanding very soon. Cannot talk about any of the
    settlement discussions but would like to discuss with the board in Executive Session.
  - Attorney Jim Strub, representing the Legacy Theater, thanks the Association for their efforts and happy to answer questions. He also reported that Judge Corridino encouraged Legacy Theater to directly address individual plaintiff's concerns which they have since attempted to do.
  - Board comments that they would like to see this issue come to a close soon as they are spending taxpayer money.
  - Motion made by Sandy Fischer, seconded by Ted Ells to go into Executive Session at 8:33pm.
  - Motion made by Sandy Fischer, seconded by Jim Walker to close the Executive Session at 10:01pm

Motion made by Sam Kirby, seconded by Jim Walker and approved to adjourn the meeting at 10:09pm.

Reminder that if you would like to contact Dan Bullard, President, or Meagan DeJesus, Secretary, or anyone regarding the Stony Creek Association, please use (203) 494-0467 or email: sca06405@gmail.com.

Respectfully Submitted, Meagan M. DeJesus, Secretary

The next meeting of the Stony Creek Association Executive Board will be held on Tuesday, October 4, 2016 at 7:30pm at the Willoughby Wallace Memorial Library.

NOTE: MINUTES ARE POSTED AT SCA-CT.ORG, STONY CREEK MARKET, AND THIMBLEBERRY'S

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