MINUTES OF STONY CREEK ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE BOARD TUESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2019 SCA (unapproved)

Call to order: A meeting of the Stony Creek Association Executive Board was called to order at 7:00 pm on Tuesday August 6th, 2019, at Willoughby Wallace Library by Dan Bullard, president.

Present:

- Dan Bullard, President
- Nick Fisher, Tax Collector
- Greg Ames, Treasurer

Executive Board

- Ted Ells Jake Greenvall
- Hannah Purdy
 Mark Richter
- Bob Babcock
 Diane Latowski
- Harlan Fichtenholtz Jerry Shaw

Absent:

Deb DeFord Jim Walker

Presentation by Project for Public Spaces - PlaceMaking X

Fred Kent and Kathy Madden did a brief presentation about the history of their work and how they guide neighborhoods and towns to create a unified vision of their community's future. They showed slides representing an improved walking connection from the Museum down to the Dock. They presented their role as facilitators of a community conversation, and guides to creating affordable solutions to issues.

Public comment was given. The public's comments including asking about the assumption in the foundation of the presentation; noting that: goals need to be clarified; Stony Creek has an aging population and needs parking; making sure we're not inviting more traffic; this is an

excellent opportunity for the village to take advantage of professional guidance at no cost and guide the inevitable change; this will build community; concern about damaging the Creek culture; and finding solutions to the existing discussions. It was noted that we need a larger group of Stony Creekers to accurately reflect the village.

Hannah Purdy, clerk, will send out an open invitation to anyone interested in being on a committee to discuss working with Mr. Kent and Ms. Madden.

Minutes:

Revisions including missing attachments noted. Motion by Bob Babcock and seconded by Jerry to modify the minutes was approved. Mark Richter & Hannah Purdy abstained.

Police & Traffic:

• Bob Babcock reported that he has met with the Police Chief and had discussions about the speeding situation in Stony Creek along Thimble Islands Road and Rte 146. The Branford Police are enacting a new plan for Branford with a movable radar device, which will be located along the two areas noted above and will record traffic data. They'll use this data to create an enforcement policy. As of the meeting, there was no initiation date.

Public Comment:

- Linda Reed noted that School St was on a previous list of areas of concern, and wonders why the police are not reviewing it.
- Randy O'Brien of 180 Thimble Island Road described people parking along the no-parking bright yellow curb marking in front of market & around, and noted that it needs to be resolved to allow the safety vehicles through.
- John O'Brien asked where will they put the radar detector on the long TIR, and noted that summer parking needs to be addressed & resolved.
- Janet Weithaus recommended we add striping & no parking signs.
- Dan Bullard noted that enforcement of parking issues is a consistent issue.
- Jerry Shaw recommended that police chief acquire data with the speed recording off and on to see the actual issues. Mr. Shaw also noted that the households near the market are "in the eye of the storm" every summer, and those with property across the street have to cross at great danger.
- Elizabeth Wieland noted that there are parking issues at Wallace Road, with people parking right at the corner, rather than leaving the required 20'.

Treasures Report:

- Greg Ames presented the monthly report; report attached.
- Diane Latowski asked if we could look into better investment for money market.
- Motion by Mark and seconded by Bob to accept report for audit. All approved.
- Bills presented by Greg Ames. Sandy Fischer to invoice town for Wayne's time, by request of first selectman, from now on.

Tax Collector:

No updates.

Legal & Zoning:

- 240 Thimble Islands Road: Planning & Zoning meeting was postponed due to Canoe Brook being closed.
- There is a special Planning & Zoning meeting scheduled for September 5 at 7 PM at the Firehouse. See agenda <u>here</u>. All agendas for P&Z are located <u>here</u>.
- 299A Thimble Islands Road Property being re-built due to fire.
- On the August 12 P&Z agenda is the old Whitewood school, now being turned into an childcare center

Maintenance:

- Sandy Fisher spoke with Sean Scanlon regarding a new cross walk at Thimble Island and Leetes Island Roads. The state can install it, if the town agrees to it. The crosswalk will be required to be ADA-accessible.
- The town of Branford & Darren cleaned the railroad overpass.
- The Howd Ave sign is missing.
- Jake Greenvall & Dan Bullard have been opening and closing the Madeira Park bathrooms. Jerry Shaw suggested time locks. Dan Bullard & Jerry Shaw to review feasibility of time locks.

Administration:

• Jerry Shaw passed out brochures for tag sale (September 14) and will also put a notice in the paper

Old Business:

None

New Business:

A committee for elections with additional duties is not specified in bylaws, and should be addressed.

Hannah Purdy is working on updating the contact information for Stony Creek residents and requested approval for funds for postage if needed. Harlan Fichtenholtz made a motion to approve postage if needed. Jerry Shaw seconded the motion. All approved.

Jerry Shaw made a motion to adjourn. Bob Babcock seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted.

Hannah Purdy, Clerk