

10/13/2020

Minutes

**Attendance:** Mary Gregorio, Jim Richardson, Martha Hamlyn, Carrie Kabler, Stephen Friedberg, Kristen Lycett

September minutes approved with amendment.

General Information

Board manuals will be distributed.

Treasurer's Report

Money market account \$ 13,886.63

Checking account \$ 3,548.76

Dues go to the box in the Village Hall or to Stephen directly, for those who still need to pay.

Old Business

- Insurance decision - cost is already increasing \$350 per year to increase coverage to how much the Hall is actually worth, which includes a \$5000 deductible. We can also do a \$1000 deductible but it's an additional \$400 on top of that extra \$350.
  - Decision is that we will go with the lower deductible and pay a slightly higher premium. This is for the next year, so we can always re-evaluate next year.
- Fund drive - Kirke has sent out letters to those who have committed to donations for operating funds. Those donations should hopefully begin coming in to Stephen.
- Wiring has been completed, so the next step is to do the insulation in the main hall.

Committee Updates

Programming:

- We had requests to use the Hall for several activities - indoor yoga class and voice lessons.
  - Concerns about having people in the Hall for longer periods while still ensuring that people feel comfortable and safe getting their mail.
  - We would likely need to pay someone to deep clean the space, which is an additional expense.
  - Will say no for the time being. May change, but likely not until Spring based on the forecast for increased infections as the weather gets colder.

Building:

- Wiring has been done for ceiling fans but they still need to get installed.
- Wiring has also been done for stage lighting which will need to be installed as well.
  - Stage lighting is ~\$1200 per light so this is likely a future project.
  - Discuss lights with Dave Gregorio to determine what we need.
- Post office boxes should be getting moved soon - no firm date yet.

Landscaping:

- Soil sampling is happening - samples are drying. Will test for pH, Nitrogen, Potash, Potassium (Phosphorus??) and see what amendments we need for fruit trees, which get

planted in the spring. Kristen has signed up to assist with the orchard planning and planting process.

- Still waiting for the new bricks to arrive - Jim will follow up to see what is going on with them.

#### New Business

- Idea: “Grump Dump” bonfire - board approval for an outdoor only bonfire event (masks, no indoor bathroom, social distancing, limited people). Can encourage people to bring their “grumps” on a piece of paper to throw in the bonfire. Decision is to hold this event after the election is over.
- Discussion on increasing dues in the future - \$5 per person doesn’t bring in much money. Increases should be incremental, but the price should still be manageable. Suggested increase was to \$7.50 to start.
- Can we have a digital way to pay dues and make donations? Carrie will look into Venmo as a possible option - this will depend on fees and if the Association can sign up (as opposed to an individual person).

Meeting adjourned at 8:13 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Kristen Lycett