

August 13, 2013

Jim called the meeting to order at 7:10pm

1. MINUTES OF JULY'S MEETING: Corrections to the July minutes were noted and minutes were approved.
2. TREASURER'S REPORT – Molly reported \$28694.21 as current bank balance; of that \$23,447.15 is restricted to improving the property; there is \$4747.06 in unrestricted funds.
 - 2013/14 budget was reviewed; expenses are forecast to increase due to new programs;
 - Discussed budget item: cost of sidewalk replacement and the timing of ordering memorial bricks.
 - Agreed that Renny and Jim should choose the font style for the bricks and that orders should be placed as soon as possible so that completed bricks might be displayed at the village picnic on 8/24. Also agreed that the order form would be revised to reflect the current wish for bricks to be non-commercial at this time.
 - Judy will re-send the order form with the amendment that it is non-commercial.
 - Jess clarified that the bricks will be placed in the "field" rather than along the edge; special requests for edge bricks will be considered as necessary.

3. OLD BUSINESS

- Report on Monday's meeting on jetty & storm water improvements – Kirke
- Mimi Holt, John Scott & Kirke Harper attended the hearing on 8/13; Council seemed interested in their feedback and recommendations from our meeting, e.g., changing the name of the bill to reflect the actual purpose; noted that our interest was in having a study of the jetty rather than taking a piecemeal approach; two council members said they would visit Claiborne to look at the jetty; County engineer asked for phone numbers and addresses because he also wants to look at the jetty.
- Council agreed to postpone the vote until 8/27 and will welcome public comment at that time

Jim noted how quickly the community association was able to mobilize and make decisions regarding this bill.

Village Hall Building Progress Report –

- a) gutting of back room: Jake – small room off the back of the annex gutted; removed debris; ready to have the floor taken up;
- b) perk test: Kirke talked with Wayne Sutphin about the results of the perk test; continue to test.
- c) gravel in parking area: Jim spoke to roads dept; not able to fix the area in front of village hall
- d) sidewalk & brick sales update – orders are being placed – approximately \$500. at this time.

Progress report on Village Resilience Grant proposal: Jack is meeting with Clay Stamp (regularly); in e-mail contact with the FEMA rep from MD; some assurance that he would be working with him on this. Nothing signed at this point. Kirke recommended that we might be prepared better if we had some estimates for some of the work in advance – be shovel ready. Judy will re-send a needs list and will invite Jack to 9/10 meeting – to review a prep list of needs.

Summer Picnic – August 24 – meeting agenda: Kirke & Jim will manage the agenda for the meeting

Discussion about distribution of the Clarion:

There are multiple agreed-upon reasons to produce a hard copy of the Clarion including,

- to insure access to a hard copy for those who are interested in reading it, but do not have access to a computer/printer;
- to spark interest in Village activities and encourage a broader participation;
- to provide information to residents
- to introduce new residents to the Village Association

Up to this point a couple of members (primarily Kirke and Judy) have been willing to print out hard copies, but there was general agreement that the costs for printing should not fall to one or two people.

A number of suggestions were made with regard to printing hard copies for distribution, including,

- make 50-100 copies from Staples with a limited number of pages (6); cost estimates varied, but \$1.19 per copy per issue was mentioned.
- use a donated printer (and possibly a donated computer) in the Village Hall and ask the Association to purchase ink and paper. (Kirke noted that color inks for his printer are about \$75 and make about 100 copies
- place black and white copies in the Hall; provide color for people who sign up

Several suggestions were made with regard to covering the cost of reproducing the Clarion, including:

- increase membership dues from \$5. to \$10. This would not fully cover the cost, but would contribute; there was no agreement to raise dues at this time.
- allow members to designate donations to a particular purpose; e.g., reproducing the Clarion, or to designate as "non-restricted" funds which could be used for things other than village hall improvements.
- provide hard copies as a subscription service; there was no agreement on this method of raising funds. Survey will be provided at the picnic; Pat will manage.

5. NEW BUSINESS

- Report on new slate of officers – nominating committee is working on this issue.
- Balance Sheet & Budget – Judy and Molly presented; will update the information in preparation for the Annual meeting.
- Missing picnic bench: Martha & Pat will check on it.
- Martha & Pat will also create a back-up plan for the picnic in case of rain.
- Patti – idea to display mosaics at the picnic; Patti will follow up.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Busy Graham is hosting an event this weekend

TO DO:

JIM – with Renny, choose a font style for the bricks

JUDY – revise order form for bricks; order bricks

MARTHA/PAT – check on bench; make an inclement-weather plan for the picnic

KIRKE – follow up on Jetty Improvement/Living Shoreline bill

JUDY – invite Jack to the September board meeting to discuss village resilience plans

- NEXT MEETING September 10, 2013
- ADJOURNED at 9:15p