CAC Meeting Minutes 04-02-2024

Attendees: Mitch Tucker, Caitlin Tucker, Pamela Zylinski, Sharon Stuart, Jay Jackson

Absentee: Councilwoman Kelly Martin

1. Call Meeting to Order by Mr. Tucker

Meeting to order at 704pm

2. Comments from the floor – Mr. Tucker Nothing shared.

3. Approval of Minutes from March 2024

Motion made by Ms. Zylinski to approve minutes with two corrections.

2nd by Mr. Tucker

All in Favor

APPROVED

4. Liaison from Town Board – Councilwoman Kelly Martin.

Ms. Martin is not present to give updates.

Ms. Zylinski and Mr. Jackson attended the last Town Board meeting. The Bluebird House event was not mentioned.

CAC Tasked with reviewing the SEQR report and reports from the Town Engineer regarding the Solar project.

5. Financial Report – Ms. Stuart.

Nothing to share.

Some reimbursements came through back in March. Plenty of money in the budget for brainstorming.

6. Bluebird Birdhouse Workshop – Ms. Tucker – Saturday, April 6th

Have about 32 people registered – 20 parties with a total of 32 people. Will email the participants attending to confirm they are coming since there are some people on a waiting list. In good shape. Angela Barring from NYS Bluebird Society to attend. Need to tackle: confirmation email, nest box instructions (Mr. Jackson had one available), purchase seed for a take away gift (Ms. Stuart), purchase light refreshments. CAC to have a table set up. Print up a copy of the newsletter. Bring drills, screwdrivers, extension cords.

Mr. Jackson, if there is anything needed on the construction side, to relay to the board. Will put one together at this meeting. Motion made by Ms. Tucker for \$200 for snacks/refreshments.

2nd by Ms. Zylinski

All in Favor

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Arrive at 1030am to set up - 1145am is open registration. Start at 12pm - End at 2pm.

Announcement made by Mr. Tucker. Introduce Angela, then her presentation which is about 45 minutes. Then build birdboxes. Coloring papers available for younger children on the table.

7. Fishing Derby – Mr. Tucker – Saturday, May 11th

Registration starts at 930a – Set up at 830a. Lunch provided.

Called Smith Creek Fish Farm to get that started. Will reach out to Southtowns. Will reach out to Trouts unlimited to let them know about the event. Clean the ponds beforehand. May 4th discussed. Need rakes and check out chemicals that are needed. Look to offer food (pizza) – 10am to 12pm.

Prizes discussed. Flyer already created.

Motion made to budget \$300 for prizes for the Fishy Derby

2nd by Ms. Tucker

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8. Correspondence – Mr. Tucker

a. Boston Solar Project

Solar project email shared with the board members from Jason Keding. Mr. Tucker to reach out to Jason Keding for documents. Buffalo Solar was in front of the Planning Board in June 2023.

Arbor Day mailings shared with the board and other mailings, like Conservationist. Subscriptions discussed with the board.

9. New Business

a. Climate Stewards Program - Ms. Tucker

Discussion with the board members regarding Sharon Bauchman with Cornell Coop and is an educator on Climate Change. 12-week program on Saturdays is available as Virtual or in Person. Will be shared on the Facebook page.

10. Old Business

a. Seed Library – Ms. Zylinski

Ms. Tucker would like to increase the budget. Motion to approve an additional \$200 for seed library materials. 2nd by Ms. Stuart.

All in Favor

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Ms. Zylinski suggested getting with a wholesaler who also gives a display. Other option could be a CD holder.

b. Newsletter Update - Ms. Zylinski

Mr. Tucker to send it out to the email list. To the Board, start thinking of new topics for June issue.

Earth Spirit – Ms. Zylinski to reach out and relay the LEAF event date.

July date TBD for a nature walk

c. Boston Comp Plan – Ms. Zylinski

Ms. Zylinski commented on the public meeting being on 4/10 @ 630pm. Will share on Facebook.

Rail Trail – There is already a committee formed. Ms. Lisa Rood runs this group for Boston so there is no maintenance by the CAC.

Mr. Jackson shared some info with the board

This should be added to the Comp Plan

d. Climate Smart Communities - Mr. Tucker

Mr. Tucker met with both Jason K(Town Supervisor) and Jason K (UB rep) about clean energy committees.

11. Adjournment by Motion

Motion to adjourn at 9:20pm by Ms. Zylinski

2nd by Mr. Tucker

Upcoming meeting date: Tuesday, May 7, 2024 at 7pm