

Bantam Civic Association

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Bantam Civic Association Minutes

August 2 2023

The regular monthly meeting of the Bantam Civic Association was called to order at 5:02 p.m. at The Bantam Borough Hall by Paul Griffen, President

Members Present: Dick Sheldon, Kim Griffen, Jeanie Sanford, Lauren Sage, Jane Golding, Val Caron, Jeff Porter, Wendy Westcott

Previous Minutes: Minutes from July's meeting were presented. A Motion to approve the minutes made by Dick and 2nd made by Val. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Healthy report. Noted recent addition of Farmer's Market income.

Wall and replacement:

Paul Griffen expressed wall is dangerous, unsightly, should be taken down. Paul and Dick will look at how best to take it down safely after meeting. Kim G makes motion to remove it, Dick Sheldon seconds. Motion carried unanimously. Jeff Porter confirms new wall proposed by O&G affiliates poured concrete footings, masonry wall- talks still in works.

Pavilion, picnic tables, stone Paul presents JJ's quote to make 6 picnic tables- material and labor, \$1520.to present in Grant application.

Pavilion poles require painting. Postponed until end of Farmers' Market, shelved until October.

Status of Grant Applications, quotes for equipment and materials

Lauren continues to work on grants. Thomaston, local banks and Lions's Club require grants meet educational criteria. Scherr Thoss Quotes: Jane presents more quotes for tractors. Val quotes for sheds. Scherr Thoss grant in process, application w estimates due in September

Public Input and Correspondence: Paul

Paul reads Katie Lapointe's request in absentia for Farmers' Mkt: 1) remove warped picnic table which is dangerous. 2) remove table w carpet on it end of pavilion. 3) food truck to park along baseball field. Paul: members should work on project they request. Jeff offers Lacrosse guys remove items and put behind shed. Dumpster is eventually needed.

Jeff suggests everyone communicates through email during week when we are all busy. Paul: BCA is a corporation, communication is key. Anyone who wants jobs done in the field can do themselves or help get them done, communicate what they are doing w other BCA members re what you are doing. Dick thanks Jane Golding for all line trimming, poison ivy. All

members thank Jane. Food truck should parallel pavilion. Vendors want food truck near pavilion, will free up parking Must be leveled.

Future improvements: Dick: Fencing is needed, suggests a flag pole in future. Removing unsightly Jersey Blocks with post cedar post/rail/fencing. Paul reminds them we discussed this last year, and it was decided it could wait until after more important projects were finished.

Other business:

Dick: Degrasse Funds will be released, will inform BCA when and amount. Suggest a bench in memorial of DeGrasse

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn at 5:47 made by Val. Lauren seconds. Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Westcott

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