Bantam Board of Warden & Burgesses

January 10, 2024

The regular monthly meeting of the Borough of Bantam Warden & Burgesses was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at Bantam Borough Hall.

Members Present: Warden, Dick Sheldon; Burgesses, Curtis MacKenzie, Wendy Westcott, Laura Turner, Bruce Turner, Marcia MacKenzie (treasurer) and

Barbara Brun

Absent: Kim Griffen

Public: John McKenna

Dick Sheldon read the call.

Previous Minutes: Minutes from December's meeting were presented. Motion to accept the minutes as amended made by Laura and 2nd made by Barb. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report & Paying of the Bills: Marcia: Bill from Frontier from old issue, not paid, second bill. Dick and Kim will go over bills. Laura makes motion to pay the bills and 2nd by Barb. Motion carried unanimously.

Old Business:

<u>POCAD</u>: Dick did not attend last P&Z. P&Z still working on it. suggests Dennis Tobin go over and fine tune when they have completed it?

<u>Patterson Property</u>: Wine Bar proposed. P&Z looking for suggestions. Traffic study should be done since the parking lot exits at the light. Drivers won't know if they are going with Rte. 202 or Doyle light. Issues to be resolved. Study request may have to come from First Selectman. Some P&UZ members were to meet with new owners. <u>Dream House</u>: Still in foreclosure. Church may still be interested in property? <u>Public Safety</u>: \$15,000 saved in account for future. Begin talking to Vanderpole residents. round table discussion at Borough Hall, talk safety concerns, questionnaire. P&Z may have to put traffic study in application with state in POCAD.

Marcia: Important to note: Emergency services exits out of Doyle Road. Study should be done in hot weather. This information part of POCAD. People don't recognize Doyle is even a road. Need signage. A lot wrapped up in public safety. There has been request for people parking along road, blocking view of road. Speed sign, esp Eastbound. John McKenna: asks where did the \$15k come from AARP? Dick confirms.

Public Input and Correspondence: None

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New Business:

<u>Signs</u>-Dick requests Board funds \$1000 for new signage, a frames, for Farmer's Market. Signs are worn. Barb makes motion for \$1000 for new signage; Marcia seconds, all in favor, Motion passes unanimously.

<u>99 Case Rd. Blight:</u> Went to auction, sold. Court must determine if price is correct market value. Can we improve property? Neighbors have been understanding, deserve improvement.

<u>Sunshine Fund</u>: Dick found out the Jr. Woman's Club disbanded. No more Boot drive from firehouse. Girls just want to have Fun Run, if we helped, could bring in \$3 to \$4 thousand dollars to the Sunshine Fund. They have had a lot of requests for fuel and food. Lend a hand? Event is first Sunday in May.

AARP Funds: Must allocate AARP funds by 12/24. Borough Hall first floor windows leak. Don't need casements, because never open. Obtain quotes.

Insurance: Looking for new insurance for liability and building.

Any Other Business: None

<u>Adjournment</u>: A motion to adjourn at 7:32p.m. was made by Curtis and 2nd was made by Marcia. Motion passed unanimously.

Attest:

Wendy Westcott in Kim Griffen's absence Dated this 14th day of January

Kin Griffen

cc/ Kim Griffen, clerk Dated this 18th day of January 2024