

Bantam Civic Association

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Bantam Civic Association Minutes

Wednesday July 3, 2024

The monthly meeting of the Bantam Civic Association was called to order at 5:00 p.m. at The Bantam Borough Hall by Paul Griffen, President

Members Present: Dick Sheldon, Jeanie Sanford, Dan Parsons, John Caron, Leslie Caron, Lauren Sage, Katie Lapointe, Pete Dauten, Kim Griffen

Public: None

Previous Minutes:

June's minutes were reviewed. A Motion to approve the minutes as **amended** by Dick and 2nd made by John. Motion carries.

Treasurer's Report: Jeannie reports the income and bills from the month of June.

There was a question on the bill for the lawn mower repair. As it was necessary to get it fix ASAP. Dick asked if we should keep a maintenance file from now on and Kim agreed she would. Kim asked if Jeannie has the bill from Harmony Dog and Pony that we paid to see the amount of \$250 for signs and web-site and she did not at this time. Paul informed the board about the description of the simple mission statement needed for future grant applications. A motion to accept the treasurers report made by Pete and 2nd made by Dick. Motion passed.

To Do List and Supplies Needed: A.) Paul informed the board that more gravel, stones and dirt are needed near the sheds, parking lot fence and playground equipment. Pete offered to level the new shed and between both sheds as well. B.) A discussion to get the baseball field into useable play as a pick up field just for play and not professional. John informed the board that Bantam and Litchfield use to have a fun game against each other. Dan and Pete informed the board what the field looked like before and that maintaining this field would be a lot of work. Some additional Playground equipment has been delivered. A work party will have to be scheduled to place all the equipment in designated areas. Dan was concerned about the safety material that needs to be put under the playground equipment. Kim and Dick will get some quotes of material to be used. Picnic tables are going to be primed and then painted by next week as weather permits.

Bleachers for the Baseball Field: Kim showed 4 quotes to choose from as they need to be ordered soon. A discussion on size, if movable and price was talked about and will have a discussion at next month meeting in August.

Mower Tractor: A discussion to find 3 quotes for a second mower ~~and/or tractor~~. Leslie passed around the quotes Val Caron had gotten earlier but will check to see if these will still be an option if not will bring back at our next month meeting new quotes.

By-Laws: A quick discussion over some of the by-laws that are being updated by the committee of four members was tabled for next month meeting as two members from that committee were not in attendance to discuss.

Public Input and Correspondence: Lauren informed the board that she has received a letter from the Northwest CT Community Foundation that a donation in the amount of \$5, 200.00 dollars will be sent for The Bantam Civic Association. The painting from the old playground equipment is all finished painting so thank you to her, Dick, JJ, and Paul for making this equipment safe. The new picnic tables will be painted and done soon as well. Leslie and Dan asked if the elections for officers will be coming September 3, 2024. There was also a list passed around to update members e-mail and telephone numbers.

Any Other Business-The Wall: A motion made by Pete and 2nd made by John to have a special meeting that will be held on Wednesday July 10, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. to discuss the quotes to take down the lacrosse wall ASAP that has been falling apart for a long time and dangerous. Meeting will take place at The Bantam Borough Hall meeting room. Also Dick mentioned that he saw horses on the field and he approached them that this is not allowed so more signs will be put in place shortly and at the playground as well. We continue to get lots of positive feedback for the use of the field.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn at 6:25 p.m. made by Leslie and 2nd made by Katie. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Griffen/cc
Wendy Westcott
Clerk
7-6-2024
