

Housatonic Improvement Committee

Approved Minutes

June 30, 2022

Attending: Patrick Barrett, Eric Gabriel, Louise Goldsmith, Angela Lomanto and Bev Nourse

Eric read the required Massachusetts statements.

The meeting was called to order at 6:36 pm with a vote of 5 – 0.

Acceptance of Minutes: The minutes from June 9 were approved with a vote of 3 – 0 with 2 abstentions. The group recognized that there were 2 sets of minutes missing and Eric will contact Dan Bailly about them.

Reorganization of the Committee: Dan Bailly did not renew his term and the committee needs a chair. Eric nominated Angela and she was voted in by a 5 – 0 margin. The responsibilities of the vice chair and recording secretary were discussed. The committee will discuss a vice chair and recording secretary at the next meeting. Mark Pruhenski will publicize the opening for another committee member. Eric will ask about staff support for taking minutes.

Party in the Park:

Eric: have not had site visit yet; it is scheduled for 5 pm on July 1. Daniel and Eric will make maps. Has received some e-mails from food vendors and is checking with the GBFD. Rotary may be a part of the event and Sean Stanton from N. Plain Farm may be interested.

Louise: the llama lady has dropped out. She mentioned that her partner Paolo is now a contact at ExtraSpecialTeas where he is cooking breakfast and lunch.

Patrick: still has budget spreadsheet including music, signs, banners, port-a-potties. Louise mentioned that she knows that 20 signs cost \$183.

Bev: Has anyone found facepainting?

All Things Housatonic:

Steve Bannon reported that 4 – 5 responses to the RFP for the Housatonic School have been received but not opened, yet. They will be opened in the next 4 weeks.

Angela asked about whether this committee could offer input about the Cook's Garage property and Steve Bannon responded that there may be weigh-in on the property.

Citizen Speak: None.

Media: None.

Next Meetings: July 14 at 6:30 pm.

Adjourned: 7:06 by unanimous agreement, 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Lomanto