

RED Committee Minutes
2/23/2021

Meeting called to order 6:00 by Jason

Present: Jason Koerber (Chair), Lola Bobrowski (Co-Chair/Secretary), Jeanne VanPatten, Patricia Dixe, Michael Faulkner Devon Snikeris, Gloria Leustek (Selectman's Representative)

Excused: n/a

Absent: n/a

Right-to-Know E-Meeting Checklist - Jason went over the checklist and took roll call.

Minutes – We approved the minutes from 2/9. Motion made by Gloria. Second by Pattie. Approved 5-0. Lola & Michael abstained.

Financial Report – Gloria followed up with the group regarding payment methods for websites & domains. Gloria asked Amy if we could have a RED credit card – auditors don't want that. Gloria and Jason should schedule a time to talk with Amy about options. Jason will reach out to Amy about meeting this week or by next week at the latest and connect with Gloria.

Music in the Park – Waiting to hear back from a couple other folks and the series schedule should be filled and done by next meeting. Series schedule so far:

June 10: Marty's Reminisce Orchestra
June 17: Blackjack Crossing
June 24: Natural Concert Band
July 1: Snack Pack
July 8: Life on Venus
July 15: Dragonfly

No one scheduled for July 22nd & 29th or August 5th & 12th yet. Start thinking about fundraising starting next month March/April. Mike to donate \$250. Gloria to donate \$100. Do another chair or table raffle. Jason suggested a local resident who has started a table/chair business that maybe we can purchase from.

Farmers' Market – Group likes the idea of starting May 5th. Lola will chat the ELMCC to see what their plans are for the 5K to see if we can coincide the market's opening date with them.

Food Festival – We're thinking of doing something to kick off the market in lieu of the festival. Pending information from the ELMCC could we kick off the market + the 5K + the crosswalk painting + the town wide clean-up. Devon suggested we think about ideas for doing a meal kit program with local products & Jeanne suggested we ask our local restaurants to include a recipe for the kits. Something to think about. Devon will work a plan for this. We can use the green farmers market bags to distribute.

Town Wide Clean Up – Gloria will talk to Dale about Monadnock Disposal, but Devon reported that Dana's Containers offered to donate a dumpster, but we would need to have a person stationed at it for the entire day.

Crosswalk Painting – Mike discussed how the process would work with Dale. The paint prices that Dale discussed and what Mike found online didn't line up. We need to check with the highway department to see what they use and then figure out the price for paint. Dale said that if it's a humid day it will take a long time to dry. Need police to direct traffic the whole time, including the time during the drying. Dries 10-15 minutes in ideal conditions. More info needs to be gathered – Lola will discuss with ELMCC when they are thinking of having the 5K since an officer will already be directing traffic and maybe we can utilize that time with the roads partially closed. Mike will do some more digging into prices on paint. Should we re-do the stencil? Jason will do some research into getting a new stencil that is one piece that we can roll out. Something that's a thinner type of plastic than the stencil we have now. Current crosswalk paint will need to be covered up. Gloria said that you cover the old white paint with a black type and these paints likely have different drying times. Gloria suggested talking more to Dale about this and believes that the black can be probably done ahead of the stenciled crosswalk painting. Mike will follow up on all of this with Dale. Mike also suggested that we really think about an outreach campaign and do promotion so the residents can learn about the musical history of the town and why the crosswalks are painted in the first place. One idea is sending out a press release. Gloria said that the crosswalks are in Dale's budget so we should be able to work with Dale and the town to do this.

Pole Banners – Everyone has been contacted and sent photos of their banners. Several folks have excitedly posted about their banners on Facebook already. Karey sent a check to Bulldog today. Devon will discuss individual purchases with Bulldog so we can continue to solicit participation. Several other residents/businesses are interested in purchasing. More to come.

Town Concerns – Jason received an email from Margaret regarding a Rail Trail Committee that is looking for members. They want to meet with the Committee to share what they're doing and seeing if there are ways we can help their efforts. Gloria shared that she knows they are trying to get grant money to expand the scope of the trail system here and in other towns as well as cleaning up the existing trails. Jason will invite them to our next meeting.

New Business -- n/a

Motion to adjourn made by Gloria, second by Michael. Approved 7-0.
Meeting adjourned 6:51 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Lola Bobrowski

Minutes Approved on 3/9/21

Signed Jason Koerber (Jason Koerber - Chair)