



Minutes

Village of Chester Regular Monthly Meeting – July 11, 2012

Present: Brenda Mulrooney, Bill Zinck, Dutch Baerken, Tom Mulrooney, Michael Heisler and Iris Tolliver

Regrets: None

Additions to the Agenda

To Old Business:- Tancook mutual aid, Fire Boat log book, Flower baskets

Minutes from the previous meetings:

The minutes from **June 13th, 2012** were circulated and reviewed. *Tom Mulrooney moved to accept the minutes, seconded by Dutch Baerken*

Old Business

➤ **Fire Dept Fund Raising Liability Insurance.**

Iris Tolliver handed out an email from Ed Nix of Bell and Grant. The position of Bell and Grant is that they would not exclude coverage to the fire fighters if they were fundraising. However he pointed out things that should be considered and discussed by the Commission and advised that protocols be in place should the Commission move forward. A discussion between Dutch Baerken and Tom Mulrooney resulted in a decision to invite Mr. Nix to come to give a presentation on the Risk Management involved in the decision to allow the use of Fire Fighting equipment while fund raising. It was further decided to invite the Fire Chief and Deputy Fire Chief to the meeting.

➤ **Quote on gravelling Fire Hall Yard**

The Clerk was asked to get quotes to grade the Fire Hall parking lot from the companies who have put in prices paving the EMC parking lot.

➤ **Tancook Mutual Aid**

As per the contract agreement with Tancook Island, Tom Mulrooney asked who would make the decision to take the boat to Tancook or not if the call came after dark and during a storm. Bill Zinck informed him that the decision was made by the Officer in charge. After some concerns were voiced, it was recommended that at least one person with safety training on the water will be with the boat in scenarios like this. It will be discussed as a Risk Management topic on September 5 in a meeting with Ed Nix of Bell & Grant.

➤ **Fire Boat Log**

Dutch Baerken asked if there were a log book kept for the Fire Boat, and Bill Zinck informed him that there is. He also questioned whether the boat is strictly a Fire Boat or whether it is also considered a Rescue Boat. Bruce Blackwood will be called to determine the protocol on calling for the boat when assistance calls are channeled through VHF channel 16 and not through Scotia Business Centre.

➤ **Flower Baskets**

There has been a complaint that the flower basket on the corner of North St (#3 Hwy) obstructs the view of cars turning out onto the Highway. It was decided to move the plant off that pole to another so as to avoid any more concern.

Reports:

➤ **Fire Chief's Report**

No Report

➤ **Truck Report**

No Report

➤ **Fire Advisory Report**

No Report

➤ **Clerk Treasurer Report/ Financial Report**

-The water Sumba Fitness sessions will begin on July 16 and continue until Aug 27,

-Hallmark Productions is filming a Christmas boat parade the first week of August in the back harbor. There was concern by the Commission over the amount of visitors and residents that will be affected by the traffic controls.

-The bank reconciliation and financial activity was handed out and discussed. There were no questions.

New Business:

- **Water Maker**
We have received a quote from Pennecon on adding more equipment to our water maker to increase the efficiency. It was decided after some discussion of the budget to go ahead and have the modification to the system done this fall. *Mike Heisler moved that the project go ahead, seconded by Bill Zinck. All were in favor.*
- **Lido Wharf**
The wharf is a safety concern and is in need of repair. Due to the issue of land ownership, the wharf cannot be removed and the land under the wharf cannot be disturbed. Dutch Baerken will look into what can be done and at what cost. The subject of the hours of operation signs was also discussed, due to complaints made to Viola Hiltz. It was recommended that the sign showing the hours of operation be moved to a more visible site.
- **Garbage**
Due to the large amount of household garbage being left at the bin at the Lido Pool, a sign will be placed on the bin warning that there is to be NO household garbage in the bin and also that the area is under camera surveillance. A camera on the building will be re-positioned to better see the area.
- **EMC Renovation**
The renovations contract has been awarded to Rikjak Projects and work is expected to begin the first part of September.
- **Painting of the out buildings at the Fire Hall**
Rather than get prices from various painting companies, it was decided to have our handy man do the painting of the buildings.

Correspondence

A list of correspondence was read.

Questions

There were no questions.

There were no more questions or concerns and the meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm

Brenda Mulrooney _____ **Iris Tolliver** _____
Chair _____ **Clerk/Treasurer** _____