

Windham Community Organization  
March 27, 2018  
Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. Present were Maureen Bell, Mary Boyer, Pat Cherry, Joyce Cumming, Cindy Kehoe, Imme Maurath, Ellen McDuffie, Kathy Jungermann, and Claudia Voight.

Ellen noted a correction to the March 1 meeting minutes wherein the time for the March 28<sup>th</sup> Passover Seder meal at St. Luke's should have been 6 p.m. Motion to approve minutes of the March 1, 2018 meeting as amended, made by Mary Boyer, seconded by Pat Cherry passed unanimously.

Mary suggested that the WCO allow motions to be voted upon without the need for a motion to be seconded. Motion by Mary Boyer, seconded by Kathy Jungermann that the WCO no longer require a second for any motions passed with one abstention (Joyce Cumming).

Ellen welcomed Claudia Voight. Claudia spoke briefly about her background.

Cindy provided the Treasurer's report. Balance on March 1, 2018 was \$3,806.61. Income was \$98.00 and expenses totaled \$454.13 for an ending balance of \$3,450.48.

Ellen opened discussion on Committee Reports.

- Good Neighbors:
  - Ellen announced that Neighborhood Connections has named Tricia Paradis as Executive Director. The next Partners' Meeting at Neighborhood Connections is scheduled for April 10. Brief discussion followed on the Memorandum of Understanding between WCO and Neighborhood Connections, the purpose of which is to identify needs, and coordinate—rather than duplicate—services.
  - Ellen noted a correction to a statement made at the last meeting when she said that WCO By-Laws allowed discretionary spending for expenses up to \$400. The provision she was referring to is part of the Procedural Guidelines for the Good Neighbors Committee of WCO (adopted May 2011) and states in item #3 that the Good Neighbors committee will be authorized to spend up to \$300 in an emergency situation and will report on that request at the next scheduled WCO meeting.
  - Cindy offered a brief update on the anticipated request for funds to send students to Camp Keewaydin. Students in grades 5 and 6 are offered an opportunity to attend the camp program every other year. Students present their request for attending camp as part of a persuasive writing assignment at school. Three students are eligible to attend this year and are expected to attend the April WCO meeting.
- News and Notes
  - Ellen announced an upcoming meeting to plan the next issue. Deadline is April 15. The next issue includes N&N subscription renewal notices and is mailed to everyone on the grand list. New ads will begin in July. Maureen mentioned that Hal Wilkins wanted to submit a thank you article to be included. Brief discussion confirmed that such an article would not constitute advertising and would be permissible.

Old Business:

- Ellen reported that she has been in touch with Chris Fisher about a presentation to either WCO or a more expansive town-wide audience. Chris offered a few possible dates at the end of April and a selection of

several programs from which to choose. After brief discussion, Sunday, April 29, 2018 was determined as the date for a presentation on “Images from Southern Africa” to be offered to Windham residents. 5 p.m. was suggested as the time for the presentation. Ellen will get back to Chris with this information and send email blasts once Chris confirms details.

- At the last meeting, several members responded favorably to the idea of a WCO spring luncheon. Brief discussion followed on possible locations and dates (Tuesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> was suggested by Cindy based on her schedule). Mary offered to chair the ‘Spring Fever Committee’ and members were asked to email Mary with any suggestions.
- Ellen reviewed the roster of WCO members and suggested removing several individuals who have moved away or no longer have an interest in WCO. Ellen distributed an updated list of WCO members. Maureen suggested that Ellen email members to determine whether they wish to remain or be removed from active membership.

#### New Business:

- Election of WCO officers, including President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary, commenced.
  - Maureen Bell nominated Ellen McDuffie as President. Ellen McDuffie was elected President by unanimous vote.
  - Mary Boyer nominated Kathy Jungermann as Vice-President. Kathy Jungermann was elected Vice President by unanimous vote.
  - Mary Boyer nominated Cindy Kehoe as Treasurer. Cindy Kehoe was elected Treasurer by unanimous vote.
  - Maureen Bell nominated Joyce Cumming as Secretary. Joyce Cumming was elected Secretary by unanimous vote.

#### Other Business:

- Imme mentioned a request from Walter Woodruff that she resume heading the annual Chicken BBQ. Imme wasn’t available last year, and Mia Clark agreed to serve in that capacity. Mia and Joyce developed notes based on last year’s event (who was responsible for what, quantities of food items needed) for future reference. Joyce offered to email that information to Imme.

#### Announcements:

- Dog registration due by April 1. Town office is closed therefore the deadline is actually March 28.
- Homestead Tax Exemption deadline is April 15.
- Easter church service schedules were noted: Windham Congregational Church at 9:30 a.m., Valley Bible Worship sunrise service at 7:30 a.m. Also, the Passover Seder meal at St. Luke’s at 6 p.m. on March 28, 2018.
- The next WCO meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 25, 2018 at 7 p.m.

Motion by Maureen Bell to adjourn at 8:22 p.m. passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Cumming  
Secretary