

Windham Community Organization
May 30, 2018
Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m. In attendance were Pat Cherry, Mia Clark, Joyce Cumming, Kathy Jungermann, Cindy Kehoe, Ellen McDuffie, and Gail Wyman.

Also in attendance was Jack, a student at Windham Elementary School, to report on this year's Camp Keewaydin experience. Jack was accompanied by his mom. With a little prompting, Jack talked about adjusting to see at night, skits performed by the whole group, playing disc golf, writing in journals, meals, and new learning experiences. Another student enjoyed rock climbing, learning basic survival skills, hikes and canoeing. Next year, the sixth graders will take a trip to NYC and are already preparing for it. Lastly, Cindy announced that students from grades 4, 5 and 6 will conduct a performance based on Anne of Green Gables on June 2 at Weston Playhouse.

Ellen called for questions or comments on the minutes of the April meeting. Joyce noted that a correction should be made to the announcements (page 2, second bullet) to clarify that services at Windham Congregational Church are **only temporarily discontinued** for the summer months. Brief discussion was held on the use of one of the bulletin boards downstairs at the meeting house to post the swap sheet. Motion by Pat Cherry to accept the minutes of the April 25, 2018 meeting as amended passed by unanimous vote.

Cindy offered the Treasurer's report. Beginning balance on April 25, 2018 was \$3,446.48. Income received for the month totaled \$1,822.00 and expenses were \$773.00 for an ending balance of \$4,495.48 on May 30, 2018. Kathy will be provided with the list of those contributing \$50 or more who are due thank-you letters. Discussion followed on advertising for the coming year and updating the subscription list to reflect changes.

Committee Reports:

- Good Neighbors – Mia asked about the process of identifying needs. Discussion followed regarding the intake form previously used for this purpose and the need to utilize it for record-keeping going forward. While a copy of the form was not immediately available, Cindy offered to try to locate one, and Pat offered to follow-up with Neighborhood Connections since the WCO form was modeled after the NC intake form. Joyce mentioned a possible request for assistance which may be forthcoming. Ellen suggested revisiting the procedural guidelines for the Good Neighbors Committee adopted May 2011.
- News & Notes – Ellen thanked Mia for her assistance and the effort she put into getting out the most recent issue which was sent to approximately 550 households and included the subscription insert and return envelope. More envelopes must be purchased as the supply has been depleted. Discussion followed on the need for a better way to merge homeowner and subscriber lists next year. Subscription response has been good so far. New advertising starts in July. Planning for the next issue will begin next week.

Old Business:

- Chris Fischer's Presentation on April 29 – turnout was good and the presentation was informative and well-received. A thank-you letter was sent to Chris. Hopefully, we can continue to offer similar presentations once a year.
- Spring Luncheon on May 14 – this event will be repeated again in the future on a day other than Thursday which prevented some members from attending. No repeat date was determined as yet.

- Green-up Day on May 5 – coffee and refreshments were provided by Mia and Louise – thank you to both. Despite the power outage, this year's effort was a success with approximately 79 bags (whole box) used to collect debris along the roads.
- Chicken BBQ on July 14 – discussion was tabled based on Imme's request that planning be postponed until she returns from Germany.

New Business:

- Swap sheet/bulletin board was discussed earlier under the secretary's report.
- Joyce shared an email from Carolyn who couldn't be present due to the legislature being called back to session. Carolyn expressed appreciation for WCO's past—and hopefully future—support of the annual Chocolate, Cheese and Chili Fest which will be held this year on August 6 at the Landgrove Inn. Carolyn also requested that the WCO consider continuing its collaboration with Neighborhood Connections via the Memorandum of Understanding between the two organizations. Further discussion on these topics will be included on the agenda for the next meeting.

(Gail left the meeting at 8:31 p.m.)

Announcements:

- Weston Playhouse - June 2 performance by students in Mr. PJ's class
- West Townshend Farmers Market- will run every Friday from 4 to 7 p.m.
- Hazardous Waste Collection – Flood Brook Union School, June 3 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Grace Cottage – Tee it Up for Health Golf Tournament, June 9 at Mount Snow
- Leland & Gray – Graduation ceremony, Saturday, June 16 at 10 a.m.
- Glenn Boynton Memorial Service – June 16, 11 a.m. at Zion Episcopal Church, Manchester Center
- Windham Elementary School – June 19, last day of school
- Garden Club of Manchester Flower Show & Luncheon, June 20, 11 a.m.- 2:30 p.m. at Equinox Village Terrace
- In addition to the announcements listed on the agenda, Ellen mentioned that homeowners who post their property against hunting, fishing, etc. must file a form and pay an annual fee at the Town Office.
- Kathy announced that Diane Fisher is interested in a group trip to see a performance of Anne of Green Gables at Walker Farm on either June 20 or 21. June 21 was determined to be the most feasible date to attend a 4 p.m. performance. Anyone interested in attending should email Kathy.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m., based on a motion by Cindy, which was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Cumming
Secretary