

Windham Community Organization  
10/27/23

The meeting was called to order at 1:11. In attendance were Ellen McDuffie Eileen Widger, Kathy Jungermann, Pat McLaine, Becky Phillips, Leila Erhardt, and Barbara Jean Quinn.

**Secretary's Report:** Motion was made by Pat McLaine to accept the report. Eileen Widger seconded the motion and the report was accepted.

**Treasurer's Report:** Unavailable.

**Committee Reports:**

Good Neighbors Report

No new requests for assistance.

News and Notes

Latest issue went to the printer 10/26/23 and has been mailed out. We had a brief discussion about how to get more Windham residents interested in Neighborhood Connections monthly Community Meal. Offers were made to make phone calls to residents who may not use email or internet. Transportation can be provided. We discussed the upcoming meeting with Vermont State Legislatures to be held 11/4/23 @ 9 AM. Refreshment will be served.

The next issue of Windham News and Notes (January/February) is due to the printer for 12/20/23. The deadline for submission of articles is 12/13/23.

**Old Business:**

Lunch for Window Dressers is going well. Kathy said the folks are working hard and enjoying the time together. The meals cooked by various WCO members have been very much appreciated.


Photo contest deadline submission is 11/1/23.

We discussed the Chicken BBQ. Carrie Tintle sent an email with some excellent suggestions for improving the event. A concern was raised by Barbara Jean that serving alcohol might not be such a good idea. The concern raised was if, for instance someone was involved in a MVA after leaving the event and was deemed to be over the legal limit this might cause liability issues for Windham. Another concern was the possibility of an intoxicated individual behaving badly at the family friendly event. In her training and experience this can get ugly real quick and not end well, This is the list of ideas submitted by Carrie for consideration.

*"Hi everyone,*

*I can't make it to the meeting today, but I have a few ideas on how to make the chicken BBQ more inviting.*

1) you need to have better auction items. I myself can donate a lot of items (all new) clothing, jewelry, etc. and have one major item to live auction

2) sell wine and beer (2 tickets  per customer) yes you need a liquor license but it's a charitable event. Not difficult to get. typically wine now cost 13/15 dollars per glass beer is 8/10 you could sell at a much lower cost.

3) add corn on the cob

4) add additional dessert's

5) have alternative items for vegetarians

6) advertise...a lot ( you have to spend money to make money ) advertise the auction items too.

7) if you're going to have music, people should be able to see and hear them.

8) raise the price

I'm sure I can think of other things but on a final note is that there are some hugely talented people in town. Maybe ask them to get involved and set up little displays to show those talents off.

Hope everyone has a wonderful weekend,

Carrie "

**New Business:**

Copies of the revised BY-LAWS WINDHAM COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION, INC.were handed out. Ellen and Kathy have worked very hard on these revisions. Thank you very much for all you have done.

**Announcements:**

Taxes are due 10/31/23 Kathy and Gail will be in the office to accept the tax payments.

**Next Meeting** will be 12/1/23 @ 1 o'clock at. The Town Office.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Pat McLaine @ 2:20. Said motion was seconded by Eileen Widger.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Jean Quinn