Water Street Land Use Committee Minutes

September 13, 2023

Meeting called to order 5:05pm Jamaica Town office

Attending: Jacki Brown, Chair; Kate Ullman, Selectboard Liaison; Chrisman Kearn; Erica Bowman; Carol Cantwell, Recording

Book Box Update:

The box will be taken down on September 21,2023. It will be stored in the shed on the property.

Jacki has seen a few people using the books.

Financial Status:

WSLUC total \$9,345.91 Expenses to date \$6,161.34 Balance remaining \$3176.57 *Chairperson presented check for transfer into town account - \$66.91 to Kate. This will bring chairperson's committee holdings to zero. Kate noted small discrepancy in account of \$1.94 Erica will get billing of the fall flowers (3 flats) to Kate for payment Full financial stats to be attached to minutes

Motion: That we accept the current accounting of \$3,176.57 to be the accurate amount in the account. Moved by Jacki Brown, seconded by Chrisman Kearn. Passed unanimously.

In kind donations estimated value: \$12,521.00. This is from donations of product and services. Itemization attached

Motion: That this information shall be presented to the select board. Moved by Jacki Brown, seconded by Kate Ullman. Passed unanimously.

Committee work remaining prior to year's end.

- Kate will notify town for mowing at end of growing season (late October). Town has already agreed to do this.
- Return of water pump to Dan Lucier, once it's determined that plants are not in need of further watering
- Hoses, sprinklers, splitters, timer, etc. will be stored in shed
- Chrisman will make repair to shed floor to allow for storage
- Chrisman will cut down branches to allow access to shed
- Planting of 3 flats of fall flowers
- Jacki will handle correspondence to grantors
- Jacki will put together summary for selectboard/town report

Recommendations to town for work 2023 and future years and related expenses

- As previously noted, Kate will contact town for final mowing in October. Erica mentioned that if we get an unexpected freeze/snow that this may get put off until spring and a reminder will be needed to the town.
- Erica stated that pruning/removal of knotweed, sumac, locust will be needed on an ongoing basis.

Committee Status and next steps:

Jacki has decided to step down as chairperson. The committee will function without a chair at this time. The committee has accomplished a great amount of work since their inception and has successfully completed what turned out to be a substantial undertaking for a volunteer group. The town now has a wonderful asset and improvement to town lands for all to enjoy, including the pollinators.

The committee's next meeting date to be determined.

Meeting adjourned at 6:15pm