

Minutes of LCHA 12/03/2016

The meeting was called to order by Ralph Ralph Pisaturo. Officers and directors Ralph Pisaturo, Barbara Jobe, Chris Nolte, Thad Carpen, Phil Goldsmith, Paul Hadley and Craig Cervo were in attendance.

Deanne Penn and Damon Cummings were also in attendance.

Order of business

President Pisaturo presented the agenda for the meeting.

Agenda

- Approval of minutes of previous meeting
- Status of funds
- Julia Silva
- Review of initiatives: Window repair, Landscaping/Erosion control, Little Shack, LCHA web site
- Other Business: Sea wall repair, Boat ramp repair

Approval of minutes

Barbara Jobe made a motion to approve minutes of 11/12/2016 meeting. Ralph Pisaturo seconded. All approved.

Status of funds

Barbara Jobe reported the status of funds:

Balance on December 3, 2016 - \$24,947.82

During the month of November funds of \$500.00 were received from Van Wormer Int., LLC Katie Fforde movie for use of shack. The balance on hand does not include interest earned for month of December 2016 as the Institution for Savings has not yet reported interest earned.

Petty cash balance remains at \$235.17 unchanged.

Julia Silva

Julia did not attend meeting and did not respond to Ralph Pisaturo's email. Ralph Pisaturo will follow up to see if Julia is still available to attend.

Window Repair

The repaired window was retrieved from Russell Hobbs' workshop. Ralph Pisaturo will install.

Landscaping/Erosion control

Craig Cervo reported the Order of Conditions from Gloucester Conservation Commission for landscaping and erosion control of the Fish Shack had been recorded at the Essex Registry of Deeds. The recording fee was \$75.00.

Ralph Pisaturo reported he had met with Brierwood Landscaping and that their revised bid for the work required was \$6000.00. This includes the additional work for small wall, drainage area, planting area and moving and installing granite curbing and boulders.

A motion was made by Phil Goldsmith and seconded by Barbara Jobe to accept the new bid. The motion was discussed. Chris Nolte spoke in opposition to the motion. Chris expressed the opinion that erosion control was not necessary and potential damage caused by run-off could be easily managed by preventive maintenance. Following discussion the motion was carried with Chris Nolte voting in opposition.

Little shack

Ralph Pisaturo reported that a brief preliminary inspection of the condition of the structure indicated it would probably require replacing roof, rear wall and left side wall (as viewed from street side).

Ralph reported the lock and been removed and the interior inspected. He reported there was a large commercial scale which would be retained and the remainder of the contents appeared to be trash. After the inspection the lock was replaced with a lock donated by Thad Carpen.

Ralph also reported that during the inspection a local resident had expressed a desire that the appearance of the street side of the shack should be retained in its original form. The LCHA members agreed this made sense.

Ralph suggested the next step was to obtain a small dumpster and remove the trash from the interior. Phil Goldsmith suggested that because the little shack was owned by the city, perhaps the city would provide the dumpster or a truck to remove the trash. Barbara Jobe agreed to contact the city to see if a dumpster could be provided.

Ralph Pisaturo reported that he would prepare a letter/proposal to send to the city stating the scope of the project would be to restore and repair the shack.

By acclamation, Paul Hadley was appointed ad hoc foreman to supervise work when it was authorized.

Web Site

Ralph reported that monthly meeting minutes were now easily accessible on the web site (lanescove.org) under the Director's Meetings 'pull-down'.

Ralph inquired whether anyone present was interested in contributing to a blog on the web site. Dianne Penn volunteered that she would be interested in contributing as work on the little shack progressed.

Sea wall

Council women Valerie Gilman was unable to attend the meeting, but reported via email that the request for an additional grant from EOEa was not approved. A motion was made by Barbara Jobe, seconded by Ralph Pisaturo and unanimously approved requesting that Councilor Gilman reach out the appropriate city departments to determine what, if any, additional actions the city was considering and report the results to the LCHA. Craig Cervo was authorized to contact council women Gilman regarding the request.

Boat ramp repair

Council women Valerie Gilman was unable to attend the meeting, but reported via email that she had contacted Thomas Ciarametaro Jr and that the agenda for the December meeting had already been set. He stated he would make some calls to see if he could get the work completed before the January meeting and that he would add the request to the January agenda if the work could not be completed before the meeting date.

Other Business

Election of new director

A motion was made by Ralph Pisaturo and seconded by Barbara Jobe to elect Dianne Penn a director of the LCHA. The motion was unanimously approved.

Improper alignment of Lane's Cove Light

Local resident Ron Parnell was present prior to the meeting and reported that the large light located at the head of Lane's Cove was incorrectly aligned. Proper alignment would point the light at the cut at the entrance of the cove, providing a light for returning fisherman. Mr. Parnell reported that a recent effort by the city to realign the light did not result in the correct alignment. He requested that the LCHA approach the city to see if the alignment could be corrected. Craig Cervo volunteered to bring the issue to the attention of council women Gilman.

Next meeting

Ralph Pisaturo stated next months meeting would be January 7,2017 at 10:00 AM.

Motion to adjourn

Ralph Pisaturo made a motion to adjourn. Craig Cervo seconded. All approved. The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Craig Cervo
Secretary