



The monthly meeting of the Civic Association of Short Beach was held on Monday August 8th, 2017, at the Union Church, 14 Pentecost Street, Short Beach, CT.

President Tim Nicholas called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm. Also present: Christine Collins, Robin Comey, Margaret Carpenter, Frances Clark, Douglas Hanlon and Amy Wilson. Alinor Sterling was absent. Zoning Enforcement Officer David Perkins also attended.

- 1) **July Minutes** – Margaret Carpenter made a motion to approve minutes from July meeting and Christine Collins seconded. All in favor.
- 2) **Zoning Applications** – None
- 3) **Treasurer Report** – Margaret Carpenter reported balance in checking account as \$22,622.31 and \$81,185.94 in money market savings. Approximately \$5,200 was paid to Attorney Peter Cooper.
- 4) **Unfinished business** –
 - a. **Title Search** – David Perkins and Keith Sittnick met and are working with Assessors office. Referred to next month. Discussion on whether the First Selectman would be helpful in this matter.
 - b. **Zoning Application Instructions Review:** Dave Perkins reported a meeting between Walter and Tom Perretta needs to happen.
 - c. **ZEO Job Description:** Not provided at this time.
 - d. **Letter to Police:** Doug Hanlon reported that the Branford Police Commission did not meet this month and will be meeting in September next to review our signage requests. Please see attachment (1).

The following was included:

- Additional signage at the corner of Shore Drive. Clarify existing signage.
- Speed limit and reduced speed signage on Shore Drive
 - Amy Wilson reported that people are driving the wrong way down Beckett Ave turning out of the Condos. Doug Hanlon will email police before next Police Commission meeting.

5) **Committee Reports**

- a.) **Fire & Police** – No report.
- b.) **Sanitation** – No report.
- c.) **Parks & Beaches** – Robin Comey and Douglas and Eli Hanlon attended to the overgrowth and trash in the far left corner of the park. Still more work needs to be done. The trees will be trimmed by Douglas and Eli Hanlon. They also fixed the backstop of the baseball diamonds. The parks committee will meet about Pardee Park over the next few days to review progress and report back.

OPEN ITEMS – Parks & Beaches -

- Frances Clark will get two quotes for trimming the trees in Pagano Park.

- It was recommended that we inquire with the East Shore Regional Health Department to treat the pond near the Yale Boathouse.

d.) Roads & Sidewalks –

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- i. Cars are continually parked in Pardee Park overnight. Once a No Overnight Parking sign goes up, David Perkins reported that Shore Automotive would tow vehicles at the expense of the owner. One person should be the point person for all matters involving calling in towing violations and Frances Clark should be the point person for that. Robin Comey does not believe that CASB should be towing people unless and until we have a parking violation policy in place.
- ii. Sidewalks and curbs between Midwood and Taylor issue will be referred to Doug Hanlon's committee.
- iii. The landlord of the Post Office needs to be called. The electrical box on the exterior of the back corner of the building is exposed and the committee is concerned that it is a major safety issue. David Perkins will call landlord as there are several other building needs.

- e.) General – Website –** Robin Comey has begun a redesign of the CASB website and shared draft with committee for feedback. Will continue populating website with information over the next month.

OPEN ITEMS/Other:

Digitizing Records: No discussion at this meeting.

6) New Business

- a.) Douglas Hanlon has proposed a Bocce Court in Pardee Park and is being referred to Parks & Beaches committee. Frances Clark expressed concern of maintaining the court, a potential tripping hazard at night and whether the area is level enough
- b.) A parent requested the pedestrian gate be replaced at Pardee Park. Item referred to Parks & Beaches committee.
- c.) Frances Clark reported that 78 people have paid their yearly dues so far.
- d.) The CASB lien process should align with the State statutes.
- e.) Frances Clark would like to add tree fertilization and trimming to next month's agenda.
- f.) Robin Comey will talk to Alex Palluzzi to find out status of Pardee Park's playground equipment request to Town of Branford.
- g.) David Perkins will email us the Traffic Study done in this area.

Adjournment: Amy Wilson made a motion to adjourn at 8:36pm and Robin Comey seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,
Robin E. Comey