

## **Minutes**

### **Living Well in North Yarmouth**

**November 18, 2020**

**ZOOM meeting – 7 pm**

I. **Attending:** Jay Fulton, Peter Lindsay, Donna Palmer, Steve Palmer, Ginny VanDyke, Peg Leonard, Al Ahlers, Gay Peterson

II. **Minutes Approval** - approved.

Going forward, Ginny has volunteered to assign each member the task of taking minutes at each meeting, thereby, taking the task burden off just one person.

III. **Old Business**

1. Recreation survey update

Peter, Peg, Steve and Donna have been working on a draft for the Recreation survey. Rosemary is in agreement with the plan and wants to mail it out to the town after the new year. Once the draft is complete it will be circulated to the rest of the LWN Y committee for review and comment.

2. **Traffic calming workshop**

A workshop mtg was held by Zoom, Wednesday Nov 11 with Vanessa, Jim Tasse, Clark Baston, and Rosemary to discuss the future of the traffic calming effort in NY and gather information necessary for the next town budget. Jim asked if LWN Y might be willing to organize the responses of the traffic calming survey done after the first traffic calming installation. Jay will contact Jim to find out more about how he would like the topics organized and regarding an appropriate app to use that Jim referred to in the workshop. The LWN Y was in agreement that they would be willing to undertake the task referred to above once we had adequate information. Jay will get back to members via e-mail.

Clark plans to continue to follow mph data once the present installation is taken down, to determine if speeds pick up immediately. He is also setting up monitors on secondary roads such as North and Sweetser.

3. **Trucker Letter**

Rosemary took the committee's trucker letter to the BOS and they approved the letter and agreed to sign their names to it. It is now being placed on town

stationary. Sixteen trucking companies were identified as to having trucks that travel through the center of NY. Al volunteered to find contact information for those companies so that the letters can be sent out by the town office.

#### **IV. New Business/Other Business**

##### **1. First Greeter Update**

Gay reported that she has received a list of transfers of real estate received from May 2019 to October 2020 from Tracey Cox in the code office. There are over 50 houses or pieces of land that exchanged hands in the last 6 months. Gay is also working with Cheryl from the town office to secure more welcome bags so they can be distributed to new residents in a COVID safe manner

##### **2. Maine Trails Coalition**

Peg reviewed her interest in the Maine Trails Coalition and described some of the plans to create walking and biking paths on unused train rails between York and Auburn. The committee agreed that this will be a multiple year project, but are interested in being supportive of it, especially the route between Yarmouth and Auburn which passes directly through North Yarmouth. She will talk with Bob Abbott to get more information.

##### **3. DOT letters**

Ginny reported that a senior member of the community had written a letter to the DOT describing traffic speeding issues at his address. Donna mentioned that a packet of community member letters would be sent to DOT and all were welcome to add to that packet. She stated that these personal letters were much more valuable than any form letter in supporting our traffic calming cause. Spread the word.

##### **4. Next meeting**

It was decided to skip the December meeting. Above communication will take place via email. Next meeting will be Wednesday, January 20 at 7PM via ZOOM, set up by Draven at the town office.

Submitted by Gay Peterson

November 19, 2020

