

Living Well North Yarmouth Committee

2-28-22 Meeting Minutes

Attending Donna Palmer, Peg Leonard, Steve Palmer, Ginny Van Dyke, Peter Lindsay and Diane Morrison. Guest: Kelly Greenlee

Absent: Al Ahlers, Ann Dillon, Gay Peterson

Meeting called to order at 6:35 pm.

1-24-22 - Previous meeting's minutes:

- Approved by Donna Palmer. Seconded by Peter Lindsay.
- No discussion on minutes from that meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Prince Memorial Library Guest

- Kelly Greenlee is the outreach librarian, a new role at the library. She is looking for ways to partner with the community with events based at the library and in North Yarmouth, especially at Wescustago Community Center. Example ideas: book group, puzzle palooza.
- Kelly plans to coordinate and brainstorm with Lisa Thompson, the Wescustago Community Center Director, and possible the LWNYS subcommittee that has been helping Lisa with event ideas.
- Story Walk idea was presented and outlined by Kelly, along with examples Ginny and Diane have researched at other Maine towns. The library would provide the laminated book pages for 18-19 stations where pages are posted. Books are changed out monthly and maintained by volunteers.
 - Next steps:
 - Donna will reach out to the woman who originally suggested the idea.
 - Ann will be asked to solicit volunteers to take care of the book stations
 - Ginny will research walking trails appropriate for young children to easily walk and for book stations to be installed. Possibly in the Wescustago Center vicinity.

OLD BUSINESS

Sidewalks

- Support for additional sidewalks in town is on hold

Trucking Company Letter

- Diane has purchased tokens for cups of coffee from North Yarmouth Variety. The funds were donated by committee members.
- The tokens are a thank you for the truck drivers from various local companies who routinely travel through the town center—and have made a visible effort to slow down to follow the speed limit.
- Diane researched the number of drivers at each trucking company and will send out a thank you letter with a proportionate number of tokens to each trucking company that travels through town center.

211 Maine Update

- 211 Maine information will be added to the town website as a comprehensive resource for community members & all Maine residents. FMI: 211maine.org.
- Next month a guest speaker from 211 Maine will attend our meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

2022-2023 Budget

- Steve submitted these items for the town budget consideration: kite festival and story walk supplies.

Greater Portland Council of Governments

- www.gpcog.org/488/Our-Webinars
- Informative webinar called “Development is Coming!” about housing and downtown development was mentioned.

Ice Cream Social

- An ice cream social event was proposed for ~~Friday, April 29 from 6-8 pm~~ (night before town meeting) at the Wescustago Community Center.
[NOTE: after this meeting adjourned, it was reported that the community center is not available on this date. New date TBD.]
- Ann will be asked to approach Martha at Toots Ice Cream
- There was some discussion as to whether to charge for ice cream, ask for nominal donations, or keep it free. This was not resolved.
- Entertainment will be added.

Other

- An audience member suggested having the librarian do a reading during the town meeting, in the children's day care room. The child care service will not be provided as no one used it in the past.
- Corn Hole community event: Steve suggested that our events subcommittee contact Lisa Thompson to hold a cornhole community event in the spring. Peggy will contact Lisa with the suggestion.

NEXT MEETING:

- March 28 at 6:30 pm at the Wescustago Community Center

[Minutes submitted by Peg Leonard]