

Bartlet Mall Commission Meeting
December 13, 2012

Date: December 13, 2012

Time: 6:00-7:30

Location: Newburyport Public Library, Children's Activity Room (1st Floor)

Attending: Sadie Cathcart, Ellen Hanick, Alex Pittman, Andrew Simpson, Walt Thompson

Agenda

1. Call to order
2. Approval of minutes of last meeting
3. Bench Sponsorships
4. Winter Carnival
5. Status of fundraising and beautification projects
6. Social media
7. Open discussion

Notes

Approval of minutes of last meeting:

- Minutes approved

Bench Sponsorships

- WNBWP-Walt spoke on the radio
- Industrial park- lets branch out to them
- Senior class has a class gift- would they want to dedicate a bench to the class?
Something to remember the class by, bench would be appropriate

Winter Carnival

- Winter Carnival- February 2, 11-3 information booth or table, we can figure out in January what shifts people want
- Parks commission wants to dump snow on Greenleaf Street, they promise it will be snow from the ice rink, won't be snow with gravel
- Ask Lise if they can clear the snow after

Status of fundraising a beautification projects

- Festival of trees- in Methuen, all kinds of trees, they raise money and they give the monies- individuals and small businesses decorate a tree, you pay a certain amount of money to see the trees and to participate in a raffle related to the trees
- Ellen spoke with Sharon Pollard, needs to be something the group builds or does to receive a fraction of the profits, can't be something maintenance related
- There is a \$3,153 supplemental funding budget to improve the lighting at the Mall that Lise has discovered
- \$1,800 available certified playground mulch
- Community preservation application, she will look over it and hand it over to us, Lise will handle that, we just have to decide on what the project is going to be
- Due February, funds wont be available until October
- Would be interesting to know who is going to be deciding how monies are distributed

- Bob Uhlig is on the committee, go on community preservation application online to see who is on the committee
- \$2,500 for fountain, just for motor and pump. Walt wants to go with folks from water structures
- David Sheppard wanted to talk to us about fundraising for fountain
- \$1,100 for the walkway weed control
- Community preservation? The fountain itself needs repairs, parts of it aren't doing so well
- Fountain over 113 years old, would be eligible
- Supplemental should cover money for the weed control, moral donation for \$6,000 for the signs
- Restoration being done on the cannon
- Sculpture at Maudslay, get their money from the arts groups, the Spring would be a perfect time, fundraising is for the insurance- sculpture group needs to cover insurance
- Ask Lise to add pump and motor, also door is missing, \$4,500 for access door to fountain, water structures might do it for nothing- safety issue
- Bill Plante's idea of sterling silver, good idea for fundraising
- Save frogs! Or something like that...
- Something not too expensive that wouldn't be perishable

To Do (Before Next Meeting)

- Sadie- stay in contact with starbucks
- Andy- approach industrial park contacts?
- Between now and the next meeting, see what we can do to get a bench sold!

Next Meeting

Thursday, January 17, 2013

6:00 PM

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