

Canal Park Committee

Meeting Minutes

Date: September 20, 2016

Time: 6:00 pm

Location: South Hadley Public Library

Members present were Bacis, Constant, Fleming, Klepacki, Driver, and Resnick.
Guest present were Paul Lusignan, Karen Donnelly, and Linda Edgerton

The meeting was to order at 6:04pm.

Minutes of the August 23, 2016 meeting were presented and approved unanimously.
Motion made by Constant and seconded by Fleming.

Correspondence:

Resnick received an email from Olivia Mausel of the Holyoke Historical Commission informing the Committee that "Next Stop, Holyoke" trolley tours for Sat. Oct. 8 and Sunday, Oct. 9th. from 10 -2 will include stops at the new riverside parks, including tours be Bob Comeau.

The Committee received notice that the Selectboard approved applications from Josh Driver and Aaron Haesaert to become Committee members and the appointments became effective at the SB meeting September . Welcome!!! Josh and Aaron.

Financial:

O'Malley fund balance = \$5,087.59 as of September 8, 2016

18-month CD balance = \$5,943.97 as of December 31, 2015; maturity date: 05/29/2017

Approved FY17 Appropriation balance = \$825

Old Business:

The Committee is waiting for the final paperwork that approved OOC extension through August 2021.

Town Administrator Mike Sullivan will present the plan for capital improvements to the Selectboard at their meeting tonight September 20. Pending and anticipated positive response, he will send the proposal to the Capital Planning Committee for its consideration.

New Business:

Resnick reported on his email thread with Mike Sullivan regarding CPC mission as defined in the town's by-laws. A lively discussion ensued that will be continued in future meetings when all Committee members can join in the conversation. Resnick will collate remarks and send a draft revision to the membership for consideration at our October meeting.

In response from a request from town administration and on behalf of the committee, co-chairs Bacis and Resnick submitted CPC FY16 activities to be included in the town's FY16 annual report.

Open Forum:

Guest Lusignan invited the Committee to attend his talk at the Historical Society dinner meeting September 27 at All Saints Church about the history of the canal that will include a virtual tour of the canal from end to end.

Our next meeting will be 6pm Tuesday October 18 at SHPL.

The Constant moved and Fleming seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 7:11 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Mitch Resnick