

November 2, 2009

Board of Directors Meeting

Director's present: John Crow, Gail Nightingale, Bill Cutcliffe, Coleen Lotuff, Dick Colman, Peter Hansen, Bruce Harding, Jim Germane, Joan Connelly, Richard Sheehy and Jim Crocker .

Secretary's report: Under Committees – should be Comprehensive Planning Committee. The minutes were accepted with the change.

Treasurer's Report – The treasurer's report was accepted.

Antonia Ballanca and Rick Finuccio spoke regarding their application for the Bay School. Antonia is available to answer questions at any time. She would like to create a vital school for adult autistic family members who are released from the educational system at age 22.

There are currently no great programs for continuing education. She would like to create a model for a protected safe place to help these young adults stay active and engaged.

Staff and teachers with parental involvement – 40 students – 1 teacher per 3 students

No more than 45 students. The program would involve job training, i.e. Baking cookies for sale. Financing – not for profit – An option would be to buy the school outright and finance thru banks. After the school is up and running the school could apply for grants. Antonia will commit to \$3 to \$5 million to renovate the property.

The admittance age limit is 22.

Membership Committee: Membership is low. There will be one more mailing to tie into the holidays. We have 100 or less members than at this time last year.

Budget Committee – The Budget committee will be meeting later this month and will have a report at the next Board meeting.

O.B.P.A. Our next breakfast meeting is scheduled for Thursday November 17th at Cape Cod Academy in Osterville at 7:45 a.m. Notices will be sent to all OBPA members and OVA Directors. We will be recognizing the 60th anniversary of the Osterville Garden Club and we will have Wendy Northcross of the Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce as our guest speaker.

A very successful Fall Festival Day was held on October 17th and we thank the OVA again for their donation towards the horse drawn carriage rides.

Town Council – We have a big day tomorrow – Races are being challenged and the Charter issue is up for grabs. We will soon have a better feel for who will be president and vice president of the council. We have already started budget work. The council is in a hold position until change of leadership takes place.

Robert Smith Fund for Osterville – There is nothing new to report for the Robert Smith fund at this time. Engineers are looking at improving the sitting area under the Sycamore tree between the Baptist Church and Silvia. This is an expected expenditure. Gail and Jim will check on the benches left over from the town green and stored at the DPW to see if we could use one or two for this project.

New business - Mike Tolman was interested in becoming a member of the Board. However, since it had been questioned whether his appointment to the Board might constitute a conflict of interest – although there is no conflict - He has decided that he would withdraw his name – due to the appearance of a conflict.

Tom Frederick from the Osterville Men's Club spoke to the Board about an outreach and mentoring program that works in conjunction with Big Brothers. He will keep us up to date.

We received a thank you note from Carl Monge thanking the OVA for the recognition bestowed upon him at the last Board meeting.

Chuck is not able to make Monday meetings until after the New Year. Therefore, we will move the meetings to the 1st Tuesday of the month in December, January and February.

The clock in front of the Bank is not working. We will find out if it is under warranty. David Richardson dealt with the bank during the initial repair work. We will contact him to see if he has any information.

The sign at the fire station is gone again. The sign will be put back.

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:30

Respectfully submitted,

Karen E. Smith

Secretary