



BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES

December 13, 2020

Directors Present: Allan Baum, Gary Clinton, Tami Hausman, Greg Henniger, Chris Lovito, Jay Pagano, Tad Paul, Leland Rechis, Henry Robin, Russell Saray, Eric Sawyer, Ed Schulhafer, Matt Tague, Jim Vandernoth

Absent: Chris Mai

Also Present: Karen McCutcheon (Community Manager), Ken Pollard (Finance Manager)

Virtual meeting called to order by President Henry Robin at 10:34 am on Zoom. All board members were aware that the meeting would be recorded for the purposes of creating the first draft of the minutes and then deleted.

Ed Schulhafer motioned to approve the meeting minutes of the November 13th Board Meeting. Eric Sawyer seconded, and the motion carried.

100-Day Plan

Boulevard License Agreements

- FIPPOA has eight license agreements with Brookhaven; five have indefinite terms and three have expired
- FIPPOA has been working with the TOB on the Whyte Hall Deck agreement
 - The TOB commissioned an appraisal and asked for a \$29,000 fee payable over 10 years; FIPPOA did not sign this agreement because the board believed the fee was too high
 - Fees for some of the other agreements are under discussion with the TOB
- FIPPOA provided the TOB with expenses incurred by FIPPOA
 - FIPPOA expects to collect rental fees of \$52,000 for enclosures and \$13,000 for parking in 2021
 - FIPPOA covers the difference between income and expenses; however, FIPPOA's budgeted expenses exceed expected revenues

- The Town has not yet issued agreements for the areas from Crown to Sail and Oak to Sandy and it has not renewed the current lease that expired in February 2020

Strategic Planning

- FIPPOA will be seeking community input on development and implementation of strategic planning for long-term projects
- Robin recommend a facilitator/consultant who has worked with the Human Rights Campaign
 - The consultant will facilitate conversations with residents in small groups
 - Groups will consist of residents, realtors, commercial businesses, and Pines organizations
 - The consultant will issue a report to the board

Internet Task Force

- The Internet Task Force has developed a survey for the Pines and Cherry Grove; FIPPOA will send out the survey next week to get residents' feedback on current and future internet service
- The Task Force has been collaborating with Barrier Free and TPP

Fire Island Boulevard

- The Task Force is working on guidelines for the enclosures that will go into effect next year; FIPPOA is working with Frank Isler to make sure that it has the authority to enforce the guidelines
- The guidelines may include the following:
 - Requiring renters of enclosures to be FIPPOA members
 - Assessing fees for contractors that store equipment on the Boulevard but do not have enclosures
 - Requiring contractor materials and vehicles to be contained within the enclosures or designated areas
 - Issuing fees for non-compliance with rules
 - Limiting gas and propane storage and requiring signage for storage of any flammable materials
- FIPPOA is collaborating with the FIPFD and the COC to ask the Highway Department to implement a long-term plan for the Boulevard
 - Karen suggested using FIPPOA sand to fill in holes on the west end of the Boulevard
 - Brownie submitted a hourly quote not expected to exceed \$1,260 for this work

Sawyer motioned to authorize the \$1,260 expense to repair the Boulevard. Schulhafer seconded and the motion carried.

Roll-offs

The roll-off contract is being discussed with attorney Frank Isler, as the original contract expired years ago

- The current income for this contract is \$12,000 year; FIPPOA will seek an appropriate increase

- FIPPOA will also attempt to include 10 free roll-offs for FIPPOA's use in the contract

Honoring Trailblazers Task Force

- The Honoring Trailblazers Task Force is close to completing its Call for Artists RFP, which will be issued shortly after review by Robin and Hausman
- The artwork will likely be the size of two stanchions no larger than the existing membership stanchion
 - One stanchion will have a permanent display and the other will change annually
 - The area to the immediate left of the western pavilion is preferred
 - The Task Force would like to hold a dedication in June (COVID restrictions permitting)

FIPFD

The FIPFD has limited staff over the winter, but can offer mutual aid with Ocean Bay Park.

Rechis and Robin met with FIPFD Chief Joe Geiman and identified priorities, including:

- Rebuilding of the Boulevard. FIPFD suggests a sealed surface to protect its vehicles, which are getting damaged by the roadway
- Painting house numbers on Pines walks, as Cherry Grove Fire Department has done, to make it easier to identify properties;
- Improving communications between FIPPOA, FIPFD, and Pines residents
 - Commissioner Rosemary Coluccio is committed to making FIPFD matters more public
 - FIPFD is planning to remind residents to have CO² detectors and to have their fireplaces inspected
- Connecting with registered voters in the Pines, who elect the Commissioners annually each summer
 - The Commissioners have taxing authority
 - The FIPFD Budget is available for viewing at LaFontaine's office

Going forward, FIPPOA will include information about the Fire District election and key information for residents in its newsletters.

HIV/AIDS Memorial

- Pagano has formed a group consisting of Eric Sawyer, Charles Archer, Justin Blake and Charles Renfro for an HIV/AIDS memorial
 - Pagano has reached out to residents and founders of other AIDS memorials
 - The FINS Superintendent opposes using the empty lots along the ocean for a physical structure
- The group will be meeting again in January and intends to present concepts to residents in the spring
- Pagano expects a two- to three-year effort to select a site and design the memorial

New Business

- Hausman is the FIPPOA Communications Director and needs to be involved in any community communications
- Hausman and McCutcheon have done an initial audit of FIPPOA's current website and will be reaching out to the community and CoBE to solicit name of website producers
- The Beach Bins have been removed from the beach. They are being stored at Whyte Hall and Fishermans Path for the winter
- The FIMI is 98% complete. A final inspection is required before oceanfront property owners can build their crossovers
- The ferry schedule will change on December 22nd; SFS will run a Friday afternoon boat if ridership warrants
- Brownie & Company will be the waste management contractor beginning on January 1, 2021

The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 pm.