

SOUTH WINDSOR 175th ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

TOWN OF SOUTH WINDSOR

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January 9, 2020

South Windsor Town Hall – Caucus Room Organizational Meeting

1. Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Introduction of Committee Members

Members Present: Brianna Dillman, Chairperson
Josh Johnson
Brenda Koboski
Natalie O'Brien
Madu Reddy

Members Absent: Gavin Zhu

Others Present: Mayor Andy Paterna, Town Council
Elizabeth Warren, Honorary Chair

Others Absent: Councilor Janice Snyder, Town Council
Sidharth Masarur, Student Volunteer

3. Approval of Minutes

Natalie made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 19, 2019 meeting. Madu seconded the motion; and it was approved unanimously.

4. Public Input

Gary Pitcock informed the Committee that South Windsor was incorporated in May, not September. He also explained that the history of South Windsor that is posted on the Town website is in need of many corrections. Steps will be taken to try to have those mistakes corrected.

Betty Warren, Honorary Chair of the Committee introduced herself to the other members of the Committee. She explained that she has lived in South Windsor for 50+ years and has been a member of the Inland Wetlands Agency/Conservation Commission, Open Space Task Force, and Agricultural Land Preservation Advisory Commission.

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5. Review of Accomplished Tasks

- The Facebook page is complete and has approximately 300 followers.
- The flyer for the Logo contest is on Facebook.
- Natalie has shared the Logo Contest flyer with various people and organizations. There has been some trouble opening up the attachment so she will re-send.
- Josh has sent an email with a link to the South Windsor Patch.
- A flyer has been sent to the Journal Inquirer.
- Madju sent an email to the Chamber of Commerce who will send out an e-blast regarding the Logo Contest.

6. Discussion Items:

Committee members discussed having the flyer reach beyond South Windsor residents. Josh will contact the Reminder News. Mayor Paterna informed the Committee who to contact at the Hartford Courant. Councilor Snyder stated at the last meeting that she would put together a list of all of the major organizations that should be contacted regarding the 175th Anniversary celebration. The entire year of calendar events will need to be established. After a brief discussion, it was decided that the Parks & Recreation Department, Wood Memorial Library and the South Windsor Historical Society would be invited to the next meeting. Brenda will draft a letter that can be distributed to organizations throughout South Windsor regarding the 175th Anniversary.

Committee members discussed different ideas for a big celebration of the Town's anniversary. Ideas included a parade, a festival, a dance. It was decided that each Committee member would come up with a proposal for the celebration and they could be discussed at a future meeting. Brianna will reach out to Ray Favreau to set up a meeting with him to discuss the 175th Anniversary; and Brenda will reach out to Chief Custer to set up a meeting to discuss the 175th Anniversary.

7. New Business/Additional Discussion Items

None

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8. Task Assignments

Debbie, the Council Clerk will have the Logo Contest flyer put on the Town's website. At the next Town Council meeting, a budget of \$1,000 will be requested.

9. Next Meeting

10. Adjournment

At 9:04 p.m., Brenda made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Madu seconded the motion; and it was approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah W. Reid
Council Clerk