

Horizons For Youth Reuse Committee

Sharon, Massachusetts

Meeting of May 12 2008



Minutes of May 12 2008

In Attendance: Mike Bossin, Barbara Kramer, Gary Bluestein, Jay Bronstein, Jerry Saphire, Marc Bluestein, Andy Nebenzahl, Diane Pankow, Glenn Allen, Lauren Hyman

- 1: 7:34 **Meeting called to order** by Chairman Michael Bossin.
- 2: 7:36 **Minutes** – The April 28 minutes will be presented for approval at the June 2nd meeting.
- 3: 7:37 **Correspondences**
 1. Mike Bossin received an email, dated 5/2, from Adam Levitt, Sharon Police Officer showing interest in the Horizon property Caretaker position.
 2. Letter received, dated 4/22, from Jean Peckman stating that she would like to continue renting the Dining Hall starting in September 2008 through May 2009, four days per week (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday) from 2:30pm – 6:pm. She also stated in her letter that she is aware that there will be an additional increase in rental charges due to adding the fourth day to her week's calendar.
 3. Mike Bossin will respond to Barbara Nadler, Sharon Library, of her interest stated in a letter of May 7 of storage space for surplus shelving, desks, file cabinets, and tables.
 4. Letter received, dated 5/9, from Bob Okerholm requesting one day use of the beach frontage and bathroom usage by the Marine Modeler Club for a remote model boat show with an estimated attendance of 25 people.

4: 7:50 **Selectmen's Meeting May 13**

Mike Bossin said that he is scheduled to present the Horizon for Youth Usage Committee's 3 main topics for discussion and approval to the Board of Selectman on Tuesday, May 13.

- Caretaker for the property
 - Housing for the Caretaker
 - Process to posting the position and hiring
- Permission for the Open House scheduled for Saturday, May 31
- Calendar of Events at the Horizons property through August 2008

5. 8:00 **Changing of Chairman**

Due to a scheduled meeting with the Board of Health Committee regarding the septic system, Mike Bossin turned over his chairman position to Andy Nebenzahl for the remainder of the meeting.

6. 8:01 **Open House**

1. A flyer is now available for distribution announcing the Open House scheduled for Saturday, May 31.

(Note: distribution of the flyers will be held until Mike Bossin gets approval from the Board of Selectman on Tuesday, May 13)

Andy Nebenzahl has offered to print the flyers and will be made available for distribution at the Mike Bossin's Gallery in the Square.

2. Suggested advertising/distribution locations for the Open House flyers are:
 - * Beach kiosks locations
 - * Supermarkets – Shaws, Stop & Shop, Big Y, etc.
 - * Library
 - * Crescent Ridge
 - * Telephone Poles
 - * Sharon Cable Town News
 - * Sharon Advocate
 - * Suburban Shopper
 - * Sharon Community Recreation Center
 - * Garden Club Plant Sale – May 17
3. Survey/suggestion forms to be filled-out by the attendees at the Open House and a Suggestion Box to place them in.
4. Jerry Saphire volunteered an upright, freestanding poster display sign rack to place next to the Suggestion Box table.

5. Jay Bronstein, Gary Bluestein or Mike Bossin will contact Jeff Tatro to having Troup 95 Boy Scouts lead trail hikes.
6. Jay Bronstein to contact Bob Okerholm from the Marine Modeler Club to do a demonstration.
7. Diane made arrangements for EMS to do a kayak demonstration and REI a tent demonstration and display.
8. Jerry Saphire of Saphire Manor said that he would donate their delicious chocolate chip cookies as a refreshment snack.
9. Marc Bluestein of Spruce Pond Creamery Franklin Ma. will donate drinks

7: 8:20 **Long-Range Update**

Most of the long range planning time has been for preparing the Open House. He said more concentration on the long-range planning would be after elections.

Jay continued to say that he is targeting the first public forum in October 2008 and the second after the New Year; both will require a formal notice to be posted.

8: 8:25 **Update on Market Activities**

Gary Bluestein said that there was little to discuss as far as marketing activities. He said that the Franciscan rental is looking doubtful, but said that he would make another attempt to reach out to them with some type of a proposal for 2008 and an offer to them for rental in 2009 and also to invite them to the May 31 Open House.

9 8:35 **Septic System Rebuild**

Mike Bossin is attending the Board of Health meeting on Monday May 12 to receive a courtesy approval on the septic system rebuild.

The installation work went out for bids and was awarded to a company of which Mike Bossin did not know the name at this time.

Mike said that the Town will supply all the materials and the awarded contractor will do the digging. He said that we are a slight bit over budget on this project.

10: 8:50 **Repairs**

- New lights have been installed in the Rec Hall
- Wireless fire alarm systems installed in the both the Rec Hall and Lodge
- Installation of the rubberized flooring for the Lodge is out for bids

- Plumber is coming to turn-on the water in the bathroom areas and check for leaks
- Windows are on order with delivery for the Rec Hall and Administration Building

Gary Bluestein said the Mike Bossin is putting together a report that will show both what has already been spent against the budget and anticipated spending against the budget going forward.

According to Joe Kent, DPW, said Mike Bossin, it is the Town requirement that we follow the technical bidding process.

Some the items are:

- ✓ Handicap ramp for building 11
- ✓ Drop ceiling in bathroom area and replacement lighting
- ✓ Docks secured from Camp Gannett for Summer 2008 and subject to appropriation

- 11: 8:50 **New Business**
The Committee referenced Walter Newman's *Letter to the Editor* that appeared in the Sharon Advocate of May 9 entitled "Horizon property could be future home of arts center" .
- 12: 8:53 **Old Business**
Nothing to report
- 13: 8:54 **Meeting Calendar**
The Committee will continue to meet at 7:30 pm at the Sharon Community Center on the second floor.
June 2
June 23
- 14: 8:56 **Motion to Adjourn** meeting made by Jay Bronstein and Barbara Kramer second. Andy Nebenzal asked if all in favor to adjourn. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted
Gary Bluestein
/Micki Baker