



COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE

MEETING SUMMARY

THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 2020 – 9:30 AM – 12:00 PM

TOWN HALL MEETING ROOM

Announcement of participating CEC Members and

acknowledgement of absences: The following members were present: Sue Callaway, Chair; Donna Farrow; Diann Nazarian; and Carol Stevenson. Bobbe Stephan and Kent Stephan participated via remote access. Absences: Susan Spingler, Jon Stiffler, and Peggy Tinklepaugh.

Review and approval of DECEMBER 11, 2019, CEC Meeting

Summary: The group reviewed the 12-11-19 meeting summary and current update. The summary was unanimously approved after a motion by Carol Stevenson and a second by Donna Farrow.

Update from Public Works: Jon Stiffler was unable to attend but provided a written update summarizing the current activities of Public Works.

Update on Draft CEC FY 2021 Budget: Sue updated the CEC on the draft CEC FY 21 budget and the deletion of the proposed Route 1 banner initiative. She also shared the email summary provided by Town Manager Maureen Hartman regarding their meeting with Jim Smith from Delmarva Power about the placement of decorative banners along Route 1 and installing them on the existing large power poles on Route 1. Since DP does not allow this, it appears that there is some possibility (dependent

upon permits and rules with both Delmarva Power and DelDOT) that banners may be placed on light poles set back from Route 1. There appears to be many uncertainties about the proposal that require further investigation. Sue will pursue the issue to be sure the CEC makes a wise proposal. In the meantime, the B&F Committee has suggested a \$2550 line item budget figure for a future proposed CEC project instead of the proposed \$4550 for the banner initiative. The CEC agreed to accept this amount.

Update on Adopt Program 10th Anniversary Celebration - Scheduled for Saturday, July 25, 2020 - 10:00 a.m. to Noon

Based on a decision made by the Adopt Committee in 2019, the CEC will *not* hold a 2020 Adopt Contest but instead sponsor a 10 Year Anniversary Adopt Program Celebration that will honor Adopt volunteers and will be open to the community at-large. The event will be co-sponsored with the Inland Bays Garden Center who have sponsored the Adopt Contest the previous 3 years. Carol Stevenson and Sue Callaway met with the representatives of the Garden Center in February and agreed on the following: adopt the adopters via certificates and special gifts; prepare a visual revolving power point highlighting the past 10 years of the adopt program; conduct a lecture/presentation around the theme of "Gardening in South Bethany: Tips for the East Side and West Side!"; provide a brunch; and offer raffle prizes. CEC members will continue to meet to organize further details about the celebration.

Review of artwork submitted for Ocean Drive Art Boards: The group reviewed and evaluated all submissions for the Ocean Drive Art Board Initiative. The CEC will finalize decisions the week of March 16th.

Review of artwork submitted for ART IN THE HALL - June 6 to July 10, 2020: The group reviewed and evaluated all submissions for the Art in the Hall. The CEC will finalize decisions the week of March 16th.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Diann Nazarian and seconded by Donna Farrow to adjourn the meeting at 12:05 pm.