

## Community Relations Committee Update

Town Council Meeting June 14

CRC met on June 12.

Lisi Biciocchi elected Chair of the Committee.

Lifeguard welcome dinner was well attended. Apparently, they prefer Baja Grill to pizza.

The Movie on the beach is "Wonka." It is scheduled for July 30.

Coffee with Council will be moved from 10:00 a.m. to 9 a.m. on Friday, June 21.

The date for the Fall bonfire is October 4<sup>th</sup>. Rain date, Oct 5.

Request by Councilman Bartholomew that the CRC could begin looking into the idea of changing the meeting times for TC meetings. Results of initial discussion at this meeting (and input from both Town staffers and a few members of the public) include:

1. The Topics listed on the agenda largely drive the number of people who come to TC meetings.
2. Various dates and times were tried in the past and attendance was still lackluster for most meetings. Zoom seems to be gaining popularity.
3. The item, "Public Comment" and its placement on the agenda
4. Neighboring towns have the same problem with attendance.

Possible remedies to consider:

Meetings on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, or Thursdays.

Meetings in the mid-afternoon (times that do not have a negative impact on staff, i.e. require overtime

Meeting times that are like other local towns; for example, Wednesdays at 3 p.m.

When sending out meeting agendas via email, also send out relevant background information, so that the Public can more effectively contribute to the agenda items during Public Comment. This could also allow the Public to fully understand the discussion that goes on between Council members.

Continue to encourage ZOOM.

Include a question about the topic of TC meeting times in the next survey.