

Westport Village Society
Board Meeting Minutes – October 23, 2013

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Thad Van Bueren at 5:05pm at the Westport Community Church.

Directors Present: Thad Van Bueren, Bill Knapp, Gary Quinton, Steve Brigham, Nita Regalia, Dorine Real (5:15-6:50), Lois Senger.

Directors Absent: none

Guests: Lee Tepper, Robert Finnell

There were no additions to the agenda.

Public Input:

Robert Finnell noted that the decrepit barbeque had been removed from the Headlands. Good job Gary, Gary's ladyfriend & Lee.

Administrative Items:

Gary moved we accept the minutes of the July 24th, 2013 meeting. Bill seconded. All ayes.

Treasurer Bill Knapp handed out the first quarter (July 1st through September 30th) financial report. Thad questioned an approximately \$1500 apparent discrepancy. Bill explained this was owing to increased inventory of *Belonging to Places*. Thad asked Bill to make this clearer in the report. That settled **Gary moved we accept the first quarter financial report. Steve seconded. All ayes.**

Correspondence needing Board Attention: none

Active Business:

Appointment of Officers: Following a general discussion the following duties were assigned: Thad would continue as President. Steve would become Vice President. Lee would continue as Secretary with Nita as backup. Bill would continue as Treasurer with Gary as backup. **Dorine moved we accept this slate. Lois seconded. All ayes.**

FY 2013 tax filing: This years tax filing ran to 70 pages owing to changes in the tax law. Following renewal of the Director's Conflict of Interest statements, **Thad moved we approve the filing. Gary seconded. All ayes.**

Headlands improvements/maintenance: Gary said he would like to see a permanent family sized barbeque on the Headlands. Thad cited the *Management Plan* that

reflected the then prevailing opinion that we should keep the Headlands natural i.e. no toilets or trashcans. We decided to review the *Management Plan* and add the barbeque question to next month's agenda. Mowing and the removal of the invasive pampas grass were also discussed. Good job Gary, Steve, and Picasso.

Helping hand program: Gary would like the Westport Volunteer Fire Department and the Westport Village Society to help local residents with the curbside appeal of their property. We agreed this was a good idea, but were unsure how to apply this on an individual basis. Dorine agreed to host a group tea to broker our "community capitol".

Other community programs: Bill, commenting in the preceding discussion cited the need for a sustainable community.

Westport Village Society Board Handbook: Thad, citing the momentous tax filing and other Westport Village Society complexities, expressed a desire to update the Handbook to reflect new activities and responsibilities. Thad and Gary will do a top level design to which we can all respond.

Before we adjourned we agreed to price the second printing of *Belonging to Places* at \$15.

We adjourned at 7:10pm