

Minutes of the Simes House Foundation Board of Directors Meeting Plymouth Town Hall, Plymouth, MA June 30, 2016

Present: Pierson, Welker, WShain, Williams

Absent: BShain, Green, Keohan

Call to order at 636pm

Secretary June 30, 2016 minutes
WShain moves to accept, Welker second. Vote unanimous

St Catherine's Park waste

Pierson: Egan caught up except tree relocation from Simes House to park. Trugreen made second application today. Grass looks dry so will check with sprinkler firm.

WShain: Reconsider leaving tree at Simes. Pierson: Can check with Derek Brindisi, ATM. Gather more info from town and Egan.

Diane Sanford, guest: She is a daily user of the park. Appreciates input. Remind locals appreciate park. Most of users are within 4-mile loop around Manomet. Brings visitors to park to see signs and then around to see real places. No place to get rid of coffee cups, diapers, dog waste. Most users walk to park, inconvenient if still two or more miles to walk to find trash receptacle. Volunteers used to pick up trash. She suggests using town's ABC to pick up. Minority of people using the park are to blame. She asks to re-instate the trash barrel, believes solution is to pay for trash removal. ABC may be only \$125-\$150 a year.

Discussion: Dog waste more a problem than trash. Sanford suggests incremental solution by installing a dog waste station. General discussion of use possibilities for future.

WShain will contact Petsmart and Petco about a waste station. Pierson will contact a waste removal company about removing bags.

Treasurer report

Simes account has \$9,700 cash with another \$1,600 to deposit.

Good job with successful events and control of expenses.

St. Catherine's Park cash is \$1,100 with the Vanguard account at \$75,100, a 2.8 percent increase YTD. \$755 dividend reinvested.

46 members. 13 are lifetime, 37 individuals, 9 families,

Insurance: Have had our three covered events. Christmas tree lighting will need separate coverage, unless the town will put on the event.

WShain moves to accept, Williams second. Vote unanimous

House update

Pierson: Prebid meeting July 7. Bid legal notice ran OCM 6/29/16.

Events

WShain for BShain: May 28 plant bake sale. Redbrook table added \$130. Building support in different places. June 18 tag sale \$1,435. Appreciation to volunteers and community. Regular events for many in community.

Pierson: May not be a financial success, but is certainly a community success, keeping us in



front of the yard sale. Would like to find a way to reduce hours spent prepping.

Discussion of actions to regain house and manage operations. Will be on next BOD agenda.

Discussion of event signage.

Adjourn 818pm

Respectfully submitted, Paul Williams, Secretary

Approved by Board of Directors Aug. 4, 2016