

MINUTES OF THE QVNA BOARD MEETING

APRIL 7, 2011 7:30pm

Present: Honey Pertnoy, Walt Lowthian, Richard Wolk, Jeff Rush, Bill Stewart, Mike Hauptman, Amy Shelanski and Ed Bell. Also Kathy Conway (emeritus).

Walt Lowthian reported on plans for a kid-fest to be held at Wecacoe Playground on June 11 as an organizing community event. He explained that the committee organizing this event was looking for food contributions. Richard Wolk made a motion to approve a \$250.00 contribution by QVNA to the cost. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Jeff Rush asked if there were any comments to the Minutes of the previous meeting of March 3, 2011. No comments were offered. A motion was therefore made by Amy Shelanski to approve those minutes. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Next Jeff Rush reviewed the treasurer's reports. Walt Lowthian made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Jeff reported on some discussions with the owners of the For Pete's Sake tavern in order to accommodate complaints about outdoor seating.

Next Jeff Rush discussed the potential for getting an allocation of approximately \$3,000-\$4,000 from ILMAC and discussed the possibility of buying a snowblower to address sidewalks that are not in front of homes or otherwise are not attended to during snow storms. The snow blower could also be used to clear community parking lots. Amy Shelanski offered to explore the possibility of QVNA's using the Shot Tower snow blower.

Next Honey Pertnoy explained a proposal from the committee that has been exploring the resurfacing of the dog park at Mario Lanza Park. Honey brought a sample of the material the committee was recommending, she reviewed the costs of installing that surface including the replacement of the brick wall and requested a contribution by QVNA of \$12,757.50 to cover the outstanding costs that are not presently covered by existing funds. Much discussion ensued and after the discussion Honey made a motion to approve her proposal. The vote was 3 – 3 with two abstentions. Subsequent discussions ensued and Richard Wolk made a motion to approve QVNA's making a matching grant to match any funds raised by the committee for this purpose. That motion was seconded and carried by a vote of 6 to 1 with 1 abstention.

Next Jeff Rush reviewed the executive director's report.

Ed Bell commented on the grant application for Meredith School. He proposed a motion to support Meredith's application to the Community Design Collaborative for a planning grant. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Next Jeff Rush made a motion to approve an expenditure by QVNA of \$300.00 for upcoming planting of 48 trees on April 16 as described in the executive director's report. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 9 P.M.

