

MINUTES

Danby Community Council
Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, March 3, 2016, 7:00 pm

Board Members present: Alison Christie (Pres.), Julie Clougherty (Treas.), Gould Colman (VP), Ted Crane (ex officio, non-voting), Bill Evans (Secr.), Susan Franklin, Katharine Hunter, Danny Wheeler

Board Members absent: None

Others present: None

Welcome & Announcements

Minutes

Julie moved to pass the January 7, 2016 minutes, Danny seconded and all approved. Julie moved to pass the February 4, 2016 minutes as amended, Katharine seconded and all approved.

Event Follow-up

Jazz - Terry Light, Steve Brown, Alejandro Bernard-Papachryssanthou. February 7. Lovely event; riveted audience. Julie and Katharine coordinated. 33 attended; \$35 donations.

Annual meeting. February 11. ~10 attended. Great food and a nice annual review PowerPoint put together by Julie and her family. It was suggested that the PowerPoint be shared with the Town Board.

Chihuly Glass & Garden Slide Show by Pat Curran. February 21. Small turn out. No notice on West Danby sign or in Gay Huddle's column.

Upcoming Events

Alison emailed all upcoming events to Gay Huddle for inclusion in her column.

Bluebird House Building. March 12 (1-4 pm). Danny has wood. Julie has instructions & table saw.

Grady Girls. March 13 (3pm). Anticipating 100+. Katharine suggests having food out in the hall. Bill will handle the sign.

Alternatives Tax Assistance in Town Hall. March 19 (10am-2pm). 12 openings. Susan will be point person. Offer coffee & muffins. Appointments only – call 211. Alison has reached out to seniors. Danny will get an announcement out to the church. Need to create private work zones and have a table for their printers.

Civil War Living History. June 24-26. Breakfast at the church on Sunday open to public – no charge but donation; Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War will likely pay for it. On the hour, 10-15 minute firing demonstration on the hour. DCC needs to arrange two port-a-potties (one regular; one handicapped), firewood, water and straw. Ted points out that if we say we need it Saturday and Sunday, they will bring it Friday. Julie can assist with water. Discussion on getting Danby labelled water. Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War will come in on Friday evening. We will need to mow ahead of time.

Ted requests that we get Travis' updated email list to promote upcoming events.

Event Planning

Oboe concert w/piano accompaniment. Bob has organized it for one of two dates (May 22 or June 12). After discussion it was determined that Jun 12 would work best. Alison will email Bob.

Danby Breeding Bird Count. June 12 (daybreak to lunchtime). Supporting efforts to inventory the wildlife of Danby.

Youth Employment Night. Beth Bannister was looking to host an information session on a Wednesday (or Tuesday) in April. Alison was thinking Travis could attend. Date to be determined.

Permaculture Series. No news to report. Alison has emailed Eric Banford.

Physics Bus. April 16. Discussion regarding whether to schedule it during Fun Day leads to rationale for having it as a separate event.

Alison mentions idea of having free tickets to hand out to kids to help promote events. When they go to one event, they can receive tickets for future events.

Susan notes that David Brown, Danby resident and cinematographer, is developing an educational film project that would like to involve Town residents. She suggests that he come to discuss the project with the DCC.

Alison suggested an author book signing and reading.

Bike repair session this summer.

Katharine notes her frustration of getting folks to attend events. Discussion follows.

Governance

At the annual meeting, Danny was elected to a one-year term; Susan, Julie, Bill, and Alison were elected to two-year terms. Ted clarifies that elected officers serve until their replacements are elected at the next annual meeting. All existing officers agreed to continue at their positions. Susan moved, Danny seconded, and all were in favor.

Updates

School Visit Update

Previous meeting dates have been postponed. Alison made an email request for a storage area and to have the youth program use the grounds. Bill offered to join Alison at the meeting when it is rescheduled.

Scholarships

Susan has recently received two applications for youth grants.

DCC Sign Policy

No news.

Town of Danby Website

Has not been updated to include DCC members.

United Way Meeting

Alison went to and chaired the United Way Partner's Meeting on February 11.

Youth Subcommittee

Meeting coming up.

Natural History Series

Bill said he will have more details next month.

Summer Hunger

At United Way meeting Alison met folks to discuss how to help with the hunger issue. Many kids are dependent on the school system for healthy food and they need support during the summer. There is a meeting at the end of March that she may attend to see what Danby might be eligible for.

Financial Reporting

Taxes

Julie reports she is on track to submit postcard to IRS.

Treasurer's Report

Julie presents an update.

Meeting Adjourned ~9:30pm

Quote from the meeting: "since the conversation seems to be wandering...." –Gould

Respectfully submitted by Bill Evans