

Lower Village Committee Meeting
Monday January 4 2016

1. Meeting was called to order at 8am by Bonnie
2. Approval was made for the December minutes, motion seconded
3. Update from Laura regarding The Chamber of Commerce Upcoming Activities. There will be a Business Expo at Kennebunk Town Hall on Tuesday January 12, 2016. There will be a local business panel, a discussion on creating a Facebook page and a Kennebunk Round table with Laura, Barry Tibbetts and some Selectman on "How to do Business in Kennebunk". All are invited to attend.
4. Andy commented on how busy Prelude was this year. Laura will ask the Downtown Committee to expand the free shuttle to the second weekend of Prelude as there were a lot of requests for transportation to the Port and Lower Village on the second weekend of Prelude.
5. Bonnie had received a Lower Village Map from the 1980's..with the title "Lower Village - We have quietly grown"
6. Greg updated on the Totem Pole signage. Judy Bernstein says that be needed that encompasses the entire town
7. Design standards - not much to update. Question came up about Neon Signs? Are they allowed, and what is the ordinance? Are they allowed inside a business? Bonnie will check with Judy.
8. Maureen from Rivertree mentioned that their board meeting is today @ 9am. They will be kicking off new classes and people have been offering to volunteer.
9. Greg brought up the Noise Ordinance regarding dumpster emptying at 3am-4am. It is supposed to be 7am or later. The dumping is definitely louder in the winter due to the lack of leaves on the trees. Andy said that unless you know where it is coming from (could even be Kennebunkport), and the company involved, it is hard to change. Paul Demers would be the town contact if anyone needs to address this situation with more information.
10. Bonnie commented that the EDC spent \$50,000 on a visioning plan 10 or 11 years ago and how frustrating it is that things don't happen!
11. There have been snow removal issues on the sidewalks in Lower Village. Bonnie sent an email to the town. Visitors were having to walk in the street and Lower Village was very busy! A priority should be made to have the sidewalks in the busy part of Lower Village done as soon as possible after a storm.
12. It was requested that our Selectman Liason attend as many Lower Village Committee Meeting as possible, as well as town representatives. A suggestion was made to send the 2016 meeting dates as a reminder so people can mark them on their calendars.
13. A motion was made to adjourn the meeting, seconded.
14. Next Meeting will be Monday, February 1, 2016, 8am @ Washington Hose Fire Station

IN ATTENDANCE:

Committee Members

Bonnie Clement

Wendy Ross

Laura Dolce

Greg Burke

Other Guests

Sargent Andy Belisle, Kennbunk Police Department

Maureen DiGiovanni, River Tree Center for the Arts

Cyndi & Chris Smith

Edie Lamberts

Chuck Reid

Anna Mae Twigg