**SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT OF NETCONG BOROUGH, INC**

**NETCONG COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

**April 25, 2024**

**MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Bob Hathaway at 6:30pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present.

Those in attendance were Ryan Barsa, Michael Downing, Councilman Bob Hathaway, Councilman Nametko, Marty Pisano (at 6:35pm), Sam Raza, and Michelle Ruocco. Also, present Jennifer Meehan, Administrative Assistant.

President’s Report- In President Fredericks absence Councilman Hathaway reported on the Executive Meeting which occurred on Friday, April 12th. Items discussed were the creation of an NCP pamphlet to let the community know more about what the NCP does. Michele Ruocco said that she has offered to help with the trifold. This led to discussion about the sidewalks in the downtown area and the Broom Distribution. It was also mentioned that there was a pamphlet done years ago. Mrs. Meehan said she has found them in older records and will have them for the next meeting. Brooms are currently with the DPW for storage.

Discussion was also held about the letter of support that the Borough has requested from the NCP for the grant to help acquire the property on Jenny Lind/ Bank Street for parking and a park. Councilman Hathaway also reported that President Fredericks and the executives discussed the idea of working with the Borough to give Proclamations for Businesses that are cleaning up and are doing great things for the town. Discussion was had about this.

Finally, the executive committee had discussed with Mike Canfield, DPW Supervisor, at their meeting about flowerpot placement, the status of holiday decorations and banners. The banners have lasted 9 years and are in need of replacement. Mike received a quote for replacement of the banners, and it was thought to be between $30 and $40K. After the meeting with Mr. Canfield, it was decided not to do a second planting at this time. There was discussion that occurred regarding the banners and planters.

Mr. Raza made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 28, 2024, with a second from Mrs. Ruocco. This passed unanimously by a voice vote of all members present.

Mr. Downing reported that for the month of March the NCP didn’t make any deposits but expenses on the Bills List for this evening total $400.00. This would leave a balance of $3,734.71 in the checking account. Mrs. Ruocco made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s report with Mr. Raza seconding the motion. This was passed by all members in attendance.

Committee Reports

Executive Committee- nothing to report.

Finance Committee- nothing to report.

Community Outreach Committee – nothing to report.

Publishing Committee- Mr. Pisano reported that the Small Business Document has been placed on the website.

Property Enrichment- nothing additional to report since items were discussed in the President’s report.

ByLaws and Legal Issues- nothing to report.

Economic Development-Councilman Hathaway reported on the following:

St. Michael’s Project (Mountain View)- Project has now been moved to the Planning Board for

review.

Crown Walk- 20 Temporary CO’s have been issued. Leasing has begun.

Rock Solid (Koch Property)- Working on Plans and that should be going to the Planning Board

soon.

There was also some discussion regarding the future of Main Street and what will it look like. There was concern expressed about the size of the new Koch property and about what was happening with the Compaq property. Will the Compaq property be retail and residential or all residential?

Councilman Nametko made a motion to approve the April 2024 Bill’s List with a second from Mr. Downing. All trustees in attendance voted Yes to approve the Bill List for April and authorized that payments be released as soon as funds are available.

Old Business- nothing was discussed.

New Business- Councilman Nametko asked for clarification from Mrs. Ruocco about what Councilman Laureys was asking her to look at for him on the NCP. Mrs. Ruocco explained that Councilman Laureys is asking of her. After a lengthy discussion it was decided that the pamphlet that is being created would definitely address Councilman Laureys concerns.

The next meeting will take place on May 23, 2024 at 6:30pm in the Netcong Borough Hall Council Chambers.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Barsa at 8:02pm seconded by Mr. Raza.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Meehan