

RTM Coordinating Committee
June 10, 2008

Meeting called to order at 6:35 PM by Bart Steele.

Present: Richard Peterson (2), Walter St. Lawrence (2), Catherine Shuman (3), Agnes Woodbury (3), Virginia Betts (4), Don Pomes (4), Jonathan Maslen (6), Janice Meieidiercks (6), Charlie Legg (6), John Donahue (7), Bart Steele (7), Don Bates (8), Charles Beale (9)

Minutes: Minutes of April 29 approved as amended.

Discussion/Review of Annual Town Meeting:

1. Members impressed with explanations and quality of material presented.
2. Information received in a timely manner.
3. Thanks to R. Peterson for planning and implementing pre-town meeting.
4. More efforts will be made to encourage members to attend town meeting.
5. Members will be encouraged to stay for entire meeting to maintain quorum.

By-Law Subcommittee: By-Law Comm. and RTM have agreed on language. D. Bates will bring draft to Aug. meeting for members to vote. Will be ready to submit for Oct. Town Meeting.

Treasurer: Bills for expenses submitted. A majority of precinct chairs or their representatives must sign all vouchers.

Goals and Objectives: Goals and objectives for the upcoming year were discussed. Members will review before next meeting and then decide on 2 or 3 goals to be set for year.

1. Should Coordinating Comm. play active role in deciding on size of RTM?
2. More town officials will be invited to coordinating comm. meetings.
3. How should budget be spent? What are needs?
4. What can we do to help with redistricting in 2010? Shall we invite Election Commissioners to meeting to discuss?
5. Should we look at capping total number of RTM members?
6. Should there be members-at-large?
7. Incentives for perfect attendance at Town Meetings?
8. Stipends for RTM members who attend?
9. Space needed in town hall for storage for RTM Coordinating Comm.

Old Business: Coordinating Comm. will have file cabinet in downstairs hallway. Minutes, handbooks, vouchers etc. can be stored here.

Committee will try to gather up copies of Town Meeting Times from old members.

R. Peterson reported on "over 55 housing" subcommittee. Has been reviewed by lawyers and submitted to Planning Board but no further action has been taken.

New Business: Committee recommended that new chair send letter to Mark Fisher thanking him for assisting with all the information presented to members for Town Meeting.

Meeting dates: Members agreed that meeting will be held on the first Tuesday of the month at 7 PM. Next meeting will be August 5, 2008.

Elections: Chair: Richard Peterson
Vice Chair: Bart Steele
Secretary: Catherine Shuman
Treasurer: Charles Beale

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Catherine E. Shuman