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10/30/2012 Minutes

Vision 2020 Standing Committee Minutes of October 30, 2012 Meeting Approved Nov. 20, 2012

Present: Andrew Fischer, Joey Glushko, Jane Howard, Mary Harrison, Josh Lobel, Charlotte Milan, Brucie Moulton, Tarajee Pass Absent: Kathleen Bodie, Adam Chapdelaine, Dan Dunn, Bruce Fitzsimmons, William Hayner, Elizabeth Karpati, John Leone, Cheryl Miller, Angela Olszewski

The minutes of the previous meeting were tabled until November meeting

Regarding "Town ByLaw, Title II, Article 8, Cultural Commission," Jane Howard indicated that some nominees had already been proposed for the Cultural Commission. She will work with the Town Manager to identify 6 members for the Commission. The Commission is the umbrella for all arts events that take place in town.

Discussion of the potential focus of the census insert survey for 2013 elicited comments in these topic areas:

- Assess Vision 2020 effectiveness (difficult to measure)
- Look at how residents value Town Goals which were established 20 years ago/educate re existence of these goals
- Volunteerism is changing: determine what residents need to become involved; modernize Vision 2020 to be
 effective in changing environment
- How do residents participate in events/activities in their neighborhoods?
- Communication: how do residents learn about volunteer opportunities and town activities?
- Current events section

A working group comprised of those present at the meeting will develop the survey. This group will inform Standing Committee members of their work and solicit feedback. Deadline for the survey to go to the printer is December 10. Because of the need to redefine survey focus, development time is shorter than usual.

New business: Charlotte Milan asked if Vision 2020 would support updating the town map which shows historic and open space sites, using GPS technology, then printing the map. Several iterations can be made beginning with a new edition available at March 23 Eco-Fest; gathering feedback on this version and then updating. The Committee approved this project.

Upcoming Meetings of the Standing Committee: Tuesday, Nov. 20; Wednesday, December 12, 2012

2013 Meetings: Wednesday, Jan. 9; Tuesday, Feb. 19; Wednesday, March 13; Wednesday, April 10; Tuesday, May 7; Tuesday, June 11; Wednesday, July 10; Tuesday, Aug. 20; Tuesday, Sept. 10; Wednesday, Oct. 9; Wednesday, Nov. 13; Wednesday, Dec. 11, 2013