

The next CDC meeting will be on 12-7-2016 at 8:00 AM in the BOS room. Subjects of discussion will be:

1. The future chairperson for the CDC
2. When is old business really new business at the BOS meeting
- 3, Use of electronic signs for getting out information-do we feel the Town Hall is the proper place for a sign.
4. Town owned property- sale or auction of excess property

Meeting held in the BOS room on 12-7-2016 at 8:00 A.M.

Committee members in attendance: Dave Crowell, Chuck Reneker, Phyllis Roth, Evan Miller, Ursula Flaherty

The following matters were discussed:

1. Phyllis Roth volunteered and was appointed to serve as the CDC representative on the committee regarding the RFP for Marketing Branding and Promotion Plan.

2. The definition of what "Old Business" vs "New Business" means concerning participation of the public in discussions at BOS meetings. It was noted that the BOS allows participation even though it is not a right of the people. It was also noted that Bridgton has a large number of people that give their time and effort serving on various committees in town. It was decided to ask the BOS to redefine what is old business and what is new business and to consider being more lenient.

3. Electronic signs were discussed. The planning board is currently reviewing the Sign Ordinance possibly for making changes. The CDC is recommending that electronic signs not be allowed between the monument and Pondicherry Square. It was voted to recommend to the BOS that they allow and encourage people and businesses to have signs prepared in the same manner as the new signs and they pay for them.

4. Town owned property .Taking bids on town owned property was discussed. We were informed that the Town is not in the real estate business and likes to get property back on the tax rolls. Also a town issued quit claim deed is not readily marketable and needs to be verified. The town owned properties were acquired by several means not just for taxes. It was decided to ask the BOS for a list of properties to be divested by the town and to keep the CDC abreast of what is going on.

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