

LEE GREETERS COMMITTEE MINUTES

Thursday, January 25, 2024; 7:00 pm

Members Present: Jennifer Messeder, Liz Stone

Members Absent: Judith Belanger (Chair)

Select Board liaison, Katrin Kasper: Absent

Public Present: Janneth Black, Aramis Black (mother and son; residents of Dover and managers of The Haven at Lee [Kirkwood Corners building])

I. Call meeting to order: 7:11 pm

- a. Welcome guests: Janneth Black, Aramis Black

Janneth and Aramis have purchased the Kirkwood Corners building and will be running The Haven at Lee as an assisted living community. They are eager to connect with the Lee community. They asked about resources in Lee for senior citizens and suggested some services they might offer for older residents at large.

- b. Other: Gave our guests a brief intro to who the Greeters are and what we do.

II. Administrative tasks

- a. Approve Agenda – Judy forwarded information about the proposed Winter Carnival and an afternoon of games at the Library on Feb 28. Adding this to the Events topic.

Jen moved to approve as amended. Liz seconded. Approved 2-0.

- b. Approve Minutes of October 24

Jen moved to approve. Liz seconded. Approved 2-0.

- c. Annual Report 7/1/22 through 6/30/23 – Jen

Jen submitted our report by the deadline. Is there anything else we need to do? No, we're all set.

- d. Updating our charge – Jen

Our updated charge was approved by the Select Board. Do we want to put it on our web page? Yes.

ACTION: Jen to ask Denise Duval to post it.

- e. Gmail distro lists: residents – Jen

We had talked about Liz sending new residents' contact info to Jen on a regular basis so that we can invite them to events for their first year or two. We haven't really followed through on this yet.

ACTIONS:

- Liz will send a batch each month, starting with 10/5/23 (the last date we have).
- Jen will add them to our gmail contact list. We will use the contact list when we host or co-host an event.

III. Events

a. Any events upcoming?

Judy forwarded an email from Caren Rossi about the Winter Carnival, which will probably not occur due to un-winter-like weather.

“Good Morning! We [the Recreation Commission] are meeting next week to decide that. Because the weather for a winter carnival is not looking good due to no ice skating rink and no snow with the warm weather coming. Unfortunately, unfortunately, however, at the very least, we told ‘end 68 hours of hunger’ that we would hold a food drive in February for them. Because they are feeding fifty families weekly and are low on foods.”

In place of the Carnival, the Library would like to partner with the Greeters on an Afternoon of Games on Wednesday Feb 28, from 2-4 pm. The Greeters would supply snacks.

Jen and Liz might be available, but would have to take the afternoon off from work.

ACTION: Jen to ask Judy about what types of snacks and who purchases them (and submits for reimbursement). How many people should we plan for? Anything else we need to know or do?

b. Farmers Markets

Next meeting, let’s kick around ideas so we can plan more ahead of time.

ACTIONS: Liz to ask Caren Rossi when they start.

IV. Status of gifts and lists

a. Gifts

We’ve given out all of the Friend-Lee Pets gift cards and a few of the honey gifts. We have three recycle bins left.

Do we want to partner with Steve Bullek to get more bins? Yes. We have funds to pay for them.

ACTION: Jen to ask Steve about bins.

b. Kids Stuff list – Jen

Jen worked with Denise to adjust the links on this list. The list is published to our page.

Given that we include local daycare centers as a comprehensive directory and a disclaimer, do we want to try to revise the Pet Stuff list again? Yes, let's try it again.

ACTION: Jen will review and revise and send for Greeters to look at before submitting.

c. Update from MTAC on Electronic Media Policy – Jen

Jen's conversations with Denise about links will help her with the policy. The acceptance of comprehensive directories will as well.

V. Donations

a. Donation requests (Erick Sawtelle, Lee Artisans) – Judy, Jen

The Agricultural Commission would like someone from the Greeters to attend their meeting on Jan 30, 6:30 pm at the Town Offices.

Liz can end her work day at 6:30. Jen and Judy are not available.

ACTION: Liz to let Erick know she plans to attend.

VI. SharePoint

a. Update from Jen and MTAC?

Additional attempts to get the desired access for MTAC members have failed. MTAC's next step will probably be to meet with the Select Board.

VII. Additional business: Meetings for 2024, still third Tues?

Third Tuesdays – Feb 20, March 19, April 16, May 21, June 18.

ACTION: Jen send an email – Mondays and Tuesdays can generally work for Liz and Jen. Can we do Feb 20?

VIII. Meeting adjournment

Jen moved to adjourn. Liz seconded. Approved 2-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:31 pm