CHAPLIN BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

Chaplin, Connecticut Remote Meeting Minutes April 22, 2020

Chairperson Leslie Ricklin called the remote meeting to order at 1:08 M. Present were members Warren Church, Dick Weingart, Anne Sicilian, David Shenker, Bob Grindle and First Selectman Bill Rose.

3. AUDIENCE FOR CITIZENS: None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MARCH 3, 2020:

Motion to approve the minutes of March 3, 2020, was made by Bill Rose, seconded by Bob Grindle and carried unanimously.

5. ACTION ITEMS:

a. Discussion and decision on a logo/seal for Chaplin based on citizens' votes on the 26 designs submitted from Eastern Connecticut State University graphic design students:

Sandra Horning was commended for all her work on the voting process for the new Town Logo. The Committee was presented with the top 3 selections for consideration with 120 votes received with constructive comments.

First Choice was design #1 (Natchaug that follows with Diana's Pool) – received 75 votes. Second Choice was design #7 (river scene) – received 52 votes

Third Choice was design #16 (shape of the Town of Chaplin with river scene) - received 46 votes Discussion was held on the three designs and the Committee agreed that design #16 shows the geography of the town and is the best choice that captures the concept of the town of Chaplin. Suggested revisions include: lighter colors and adding texture to the bridge such as blocks. Leslie Ricklin read a comment from a resident who voted and appeared to be an expert in graphic design. The professor will be contacted for possible revisions with the graphic design student. Dick Weingart suggested including the resident commenter in the discussion of revisions.

Motion for the Committee to work with graphic design #16 – (shape of the Town of Chaplin with river scene) and make adjustments for a new Town Logo, was made by Bill Rose, seconded by Anne Sicilian and carried unanimously.

Bill Rose addressed the confusion between a Logo and Town Seal. A Town Seal is embossed and has security safeguards.

b. Discussion and decision on amount of any remuneration to contribute to Eastern for students' work:

Sandra Horning explained the process used for the Library for a new Logo. A class of graphic design students at ECSU were assigned to make a Logo for the Chaplin Library. The Professor preferred money not be given to the winner. The Library Board of Directors opted to donate \$500 to the Arnold Prince Scholarship at ECSU. Mr. Prince painted the mural behind the desk in the Library. A letter was written to the student with the winning design that can be included in their resume for future job prospects. A letter was also written to the Professor thanking him for the project that can be included in his employee file. Dick Weingart reported that there is currently \$5,000 set aside for the Bicentennial with additional funding of \$10,000 when the proposed FY 2020-21 budget is approved. There is also proposed funding of \$10,000 for FY 2021-22. Bill Rose suggested using funds from the Contingency Fund to donate to the Arnold Prince Scholarship.

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Motion to recommend the Town of Chaplin donate \$500 to the Arnold Prince Scholarship at ECSU with funding to be determined by the Board of Finance, was made by Warren Church, seconded by Bob Grindle and carried unanimously.

Leslie Ricklin is very pleased that a new Logo design was chosen on Earth Day that befits the beauty of the Town of Chaplin.

6. SECOND AUDIENCE FOR CITIZENS: None

7. TIME AND PLACE FOR NEXT MEETINGS:

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 10th at 1pm.

Anne Sicilian reported that the 4H will participate in the Bicentennial Celebration. Dick Weingart will give Treasurer's Report and report on long term expenditures at the next meeting.

8. ADJOURN:

Motion to adjourn (1:54 PM) was made by Anne Sicilian, seconded by Dave Shenker and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Kathleen Scott
Recording Clerk