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Minutes West Norwalk Association Board of Directors Meeting August 4, 2008

Directors in attendance: Peggy Yff, Ron Paladino, Joel Zaremby, Regina Krummel, Bob Wagman, Jim Hirshfield

Meeting called to order at 7:35PM at Meeting House.

Minutes accepted from July.

Treasurers' report showed positive cash balance of \$8,870.86

Agency

Peggy provided an update of the Dolce talks. She said; After repeated emails from me to Larry Cafero, he finally called me back, left a voice mail on my phone which over ran its time, and basically said that he is still negotiating with Frank Zullo on all the list of points that were originally presented and that he would prefer that we not put any specifics in a summer newsletter as negotiations were still proceeding and Dolce has not yet submitted their application. He said that they were going back and forth on closing times 11 pm versus midnight; limiting large events (over 90 people) to 2 per weekend, Dolce wants 3; agreed to max of 45 events per year I think; and trying to get an additional 4 acres of conservation easement.

Bob gave a report on the 5 Mile River situation. He said we are basically stonewalled on the river study. Congressman Shays efforts to obtain funding have not been successful. Charles had suggested contacting an engineering school to do the study. Bob and Charles will investigate.

Cleanup at West Norwalk Road and West Cedar needs to wait for spring as access to river is difficult at the current time.

Coalition of Neighborhood Groups to invite the head of the Police Union, Mayor Moccia and Chief Rilling to discuss South Norwalk crime issues. Last Monday of August at City Hall.

No follow-up on Ponus Avenue Extension petition. Peggy to follow up.

Adopt-A-Spots. Peggy and Gay to buy plants and plant bulbs. Peggy to thank whoever was weeding smaller spot. (unknown at the moment).

Peggy, Jim and Charles will update mailing list.

Annual meeting to be held at NCC on October 5.

Jim Hirshfield will be leaving the board after the annual meeting after serving two terms. New board members are needed. Suggestions welcomed.

Articles needed for newsletter to be sent out in September.

Joel mentioned that he has been appointed to the Norwalk Planning Commission. The board saw no conflict with his role on the board of the WNA.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20.

Next meeting September 8. Site TBD.