

Stockbridge Fountain Committee

Minutes from December 4, 2020

The meeting was posted as required by MA Open Meeting Law at the Town Hall and on the town website. A recording of the meeting was posted on ctsbtv.com.

Meeting commenced: 3:48 p.m.

Meeting adjourned: 4:38 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Carl Sprague, Kate Fletcher, Absent: Volunteer Consultant Bob Jones, GeGe Kingston

Also present: Mike Canales (Town Administrator) Mike Buffoni (Superintendent, Water Dept) and Bruce Blair (Stockbridge resident working on restoration of the Chime Tower)

- 1) As there was not a quorum of the Committee, no vote on the minutes from October 23, 2020 took place.
- 2) Meeting attendees discussed fountain water use and options. The quote for recirculating pumps and utility work had come in at approximately \$50K. Mike Buffoni would like to have meters on both fountains in order to meet Massachusetts Dept of Environmental Protection needs for documentation of water use. The meters are not large (around 8") and can easily be hidden under bluestone. Mike also provided an estimate of current water costs. The Watering Trough was estimated at \$670/season and the Cat and Dog at \$1,340/season. Given this, it was agreed that it does not make sense to go ahead with the recirculating pumps at this point but other utility needs will still need to be addressed such as the original galvanized piping that ties into the water main. Utility work that makes sense to incorporate now will be done.
- 3) The requests for restoration proposals had been reposted and bids were received from Timberwolf, PJ Spillane Co Inc and Allegrone. After reviewing the bids, it was agreed that Timberwolf remained the first choice. The Committee will schedule another meeting in order to include the input of Committee members Bob Jones and GeGe Kingston and to make a recommendation to the Select Board.
- 4) Mike Buffoni reminded Committee members that the Cat and Dog basin, not being part of the restoration bid, will still need to be addressed. Mike Canales will touch base with Marc Volk on basin costs and check on the Community Preservation Act Committee meeting date.

Respectfully submitted,
Kate Fletcher
December 5, 2020

Meeting Documents:

- 1) Bid summary sheet
- 2) Bids from Timberwolf, PJ Spillane Co Inc and Allegrone