

Community Advisory Committee (CAC)

Minutes

Thursday, February 15, 2024 at 7:00pm

Temple Town Hall Annex

With Zoom recording

Attendance: Lilliane LeBel, Christine Robidoux, Jessica Hipp, Bill Torphy

Absentees: Vivian Wills, Dana Nowell, Keith Charlton

1. Review Minutes from January 11, 2024. Approved, no changes.
2. School Conversation Event. Approximately 35 attendees. Most who spoke up wanted to keep the existing elementary schools as is. Some were suggesting that the town should consider leaving the Conval system. Christine noted that the school district should consider more options such as possible cooperatives as was set up at Mascenic in the past, while certain towns are considering withdrawing from the district. Lilliane noted that she found a lot of support by the group and suggested that there should be more educating people, so they know how to vote. Jessica noted that she wished there had been more opportunity to discuss the change with people who are supporting the changes. Lilliane believes that most people in Temple want the school to stay.
3. Discussion regarding signs etc. Jessica noted that “save our school” yard signs are in the works and will be available to purchase (\$5. each) as well as “Save our School” magnets. Available to pick up at the library.
4. As these discussions regarding signs, etc. continued, the question arose whether or not this Committee should actively be engaged and take a position on the school district changes. Upon discussion, there was a general feeling that this Committee should take a stance. The following motions were presented:
 - i. Motion to recommend to the residents of Temple to vote No on Article 10 of the School District Articles. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.
 - ii. Motion to approve that the Committee will draw \$200 from the Committee account for the purchase of 40 each yard signs indicating “Vote No on Article 10” which would be available to interested voters. Motion approved by unanimous vote.

5. Southwest Region Planning Commission (SWRPC) application – Update. The application has been approved by the Select Board and the Town was awarded a Mast Grant from the Southwest Region Planning Commission. The grant has been formally received by the Select Board, and the process of figuring out what is needed to make the roads in Temple safer will start meeting soon. A task force to implement the work has been created, the members of the new committee being Bill Ezell, Lilliane LeBel, Bill Torphy, Kent Perry, Cam Lockwood and Peter Allen. The first meeting will take place March 11, 2024, 4:30 pm, in town hall. A SWRPC staff member will meet with the task force at each of five meetings.
6. Radar use grant status on hold. Lilliane contacted Kustom Signals that has loaners that we can borrow and set up. Still working on details.
7. AV equipment. Nothing to report. Need more town/committee users.
8. Posting e-news. Postcards for handout at town meeting. Needs layout work. Jessica will finish up. Card stock? Large print size on paper? Green colored paper. This is to remind people to subscribe to town E-News. Cost of up to \$250. No mailing – not sending. Christine moved to spend up to \$250 to print large post cards on green colored paper for distribution. All approved.
9. Christine Robidoux will be finishing her committee membership and guidance (5 Years.) We, the committee, want to formerly thank Christine for her leadership and getting lots of good stuff done. Lilliane – people respect what the committee has accomplished, earning a good reputation. We thank her very much. Christine recommends we should try to get more members.
10. Bill Torphy agreed to sign on for another 2 years.
11. Vivian, Bill T to be reappointed. Send note to SB for this for approval.