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Board Meeting minutes for December 14, 2023:

Members present: Tad Smith, Mark Sandillo, Bill Parry, Tracy O'Brien, BJ Frazier, Dave Hulme, Dave Adams, Phil Ucci, Win Smith Jr, Lorna Sura, Evelyn Karam, Cheri Dallas-Malona, Gary Johnson, Jacki Smith, Jen Russ, Carrie Reed, Joe Barnes.

Location: 735 Racebrook Rd, Orange, Ct

Meeting came to order: 6:00pm

November Board meeting minutes review: Tracy made the motion to approve, seconded by BJ, Approved by the Board.

Secretary's report: Bill Parry: no member changes/resignations/correspondence

Membership Report: Gary Johnson & Dan German; Erin McGrath from Keeping Milford Warm. Moving her along through the process. Roger Milson- not at this time.

Board Members/Slate of Officers for 2024/2025:

Next Slate of Officers for July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025 Milford Rotary Club:
Secretary - Lise Robinson

Vice President – Bill Parry
President Elect – Lorna Sura
President – Phil Ucci III

First Year Board:

Dave Adams
Gary Johnson
Chris Durkin
Jenn Russ

Second Year Board:

Mike Granata
Jill McGoldrick
Greg Schmitt
Joe Barnes

Change process for Officer progression: President Tad asked if the Club should make changes to the Club Bylaws. Tracy commented that other Clubs do have different processes and “Chairs”. We would need a bylaw change. Discussion was should we take the Secretary position out of the Chairs, no changes to be made at this time. It was determined that we will table this discussion, get a committee together, and continue discussing next month.

Recruiting Event: Cheri mentioned our next event is scheduled for 2/7/24. More info to come.

A pickleball tournament was brought up to add to our budget, possibly a spring event, TBD. This may be done in conjunction with a new member event.

Foundation Report: Lise Robinson; none

Treasurers Report: YTD Reports to be done and available shortly. Adam could not be there. Reports will be forthcoming. Tracy can see out accounts, everything looks correct. Not sure where we stand on dues.

Community Service: Beth-El service is on Sunday January 14th. Lassies Restaurant to supply ready to go meals to be handed out. Ray Guido to lead the service at 10:30am. Its been fun and fairly easy service, come down and be a part our our efforts to feed the needy.

Gold and Silver Raffle: SUCCESS! Roughly \$18k+ net. Comments were maybe we start selling tix earlier next year, and do the raffle before the holidays are approaching. Great job Frosty, Dan, Paul Mangels and all of the Club.

Shred Event: Scheduled for 4/21/24.

100th Year Anniversary Gala: Joe Barnes- a Rotary clock, bricks to sell with donor names on them for a harbor walk, and other ideas are being discussed, as well as how much \$ we will have to spend. Phil Ucci made the motion to meet and speak with with the Mayor and Chris Saley of Public Works, and all other City Departments to discuss and move towards a goal. Seconded by Gary Johnson. Approved by the Board. More discussion to come. January 9th is next 100 yr meeting, 6pm at Win's office.

New Business: A new Lobster Bake Committee of Site Chairmen has been formed! Very exciting to have 3 Rotary veterans of service stepping up to lead us. Special Thanks to Mark Sandillo, Dave Hulme and Kevin Mola.

Discussion: Get rid of the cinder blocks! Purchase stair system we can reuse for the reefer truck, maybe rent them if possible? Researching something standard with of the reefer trailer, can we rent something maybe from Eagle storage, we will look into it. We will only need some bricks for the lobster tanks. Thank God!

Phil to lock in our date at the Harbor Commission meeting 12/21/23. Looking at 7/27/24.

Jenn Russ mentioned we should do some merchandising -> tee shirts to sell, mugs maybe. Possibly in advance of the Bake? *Early merch sales maybe = early ticket sales as well.

Go Good: we will be collecting at lunch for Rena's Christmas gift donation.

motion to adjourn by Tad, Dave Adams seconded the motion, Meeting adjourned at 7:05pm.