

CLINTON ROTARY MEETING MINUTES

August 26, 2021

I. CALL TO ORDER:

We met Thursday, August 26, 2021 at Grand Apizza in Clinton. The meeting was called to order by President Renee at 6:31 pm.

Welcome visitors and guests: none

Rotary Attendance: Renee Szewczyk, Ruth Baker, Michael Richards, Andy Berliner, Ted Eastwood, Linda Gworek, María Varga, Nelson and Angie Vincenty and Dee Tully.

Mail/Communications: Thank you letter from the Haitian Health Foundation for our recent donation for Earthquake relief. We also received a sponsorship from Old Saybrook Rotary for the Corn Hole Tournament.

Amendments / Approval of Minutes from Thursday, August 19: Maria made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous week's meeting with a date amended. Renee Seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion to approve the minutes passed Unanimously.

Rotary Minute: Renee shared a Jim Beardsley "treasure".

II. NEW BUSINESS

An email was received from Bob Molloy, a Rotarian, whose son Alan has moved to Clinton. He has made us aware Alan and his wife may have in interest in joining Clinton Rotary. Renee followed up and told the Molloy's that she would email them agendas and an Announcement of where meetings will be held, so they might consider joining us.

Andy announced that he had heard that Paul Eagan has been diagnosed with a rare form of blood cancer. Paul and his wife Liz had come to several meetings and expressed an interest in joining. Paul is affectionately known in Clinton as "The Bike Guy" fixing up hundreds of bikes to give away. Liz is involved in the Clinton Art Society. Scottish Dave's is holding a fundraiser on Sunday at 4pm with bands (Paul playing in one of them) and food for \$10.00 a ticket. All proceeds will be donating to the Smilow Cancer Center where Paul is receiving treatment. Tom made a motion and then amended it to donate \$150 to the cause. Nelson seconded the motion and it was approved. Andy has contacted Liz to ask how check should be made out and to whom it can be sent. Andy will follow up with Dick with the info.

III. FOLLOW UP

Harry Swaun Pavilion: - no report

Cornhole raffle: Prizes are still being solicited

Summer Fest 8/28: Ruth, Tom, Renee, will be volunteering at Beer and Wine Booth (more members welcome) Andrew and Michael will be setting up Corn Hole Boards to demonstrate and provide info about our upcoming tournament. Renee asked if we had a table so we could put out brochures about the corn hole, and our Club. She will check with Andrew.

IV. FUNDRAISERS:

Corn Hole: see above in correspondence for sponsorships received. A raffle gift in the form of a gift certificate was received as well as a registration from Technique.

Rock Around the Clock: no report

IV. PROJECTS / SERVICES:

Lego Project from Henry Carter Hull Library: Renee spoke to the Library about our financial gift for the Lego project. The kick off of the program will be held on October 20. (Covid, unfortunately delayed this)

Post storm needs in Clinton: Thankfully nothing needed. Hurricane Henri took a turn and Connecticut was spared.

Clinton Rotary/Clinton CVFD Food Drives (Liberty Bank): Dee has spoken to Stop and Shop and has set tentative dates for our annual food drives. They will be October 16/17 and November 20/21, from 9-1 (Times could be adjusted) in the Stop and Shop parking lot. **Renee suggested we bring our flags (Andrew, please take note)** Feed your Neighbor is also on the weekend of October 16, so the membership will be split in their service that weekend.

VII. ADJOURNMENT / 4 WAY TEST:

No Meeting on Thursday, September 2

Respectfully written,
Linda Gworek