

**Harwich Voter Information Committee**  
**Wednesday, April 28, 2:00 pm**

**MINUTES approved Aug 25, 2021**  
**Held remotely**

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Joyce called the meeting to order at 2:02 pm with a roll call. Pam Groswald- present, Emily Milan- present, Chris Joyce- present. The Chair noted the absence of former member Peggy Rose who passed away suddenly
  
- II. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** There was no public comment.
  
- III. **NEW BUSINESS**
  1. **Approve March 31, 2021 minutes**

Ms. Groswald made a motion to approve the March minutes. Ms. Milan seconded and a roll call vote was taken. Ms. Groswald- yes, Ms. Milan- yes, Ms. Joyce- yes.
  
  2. **Publicity for VIC programs**

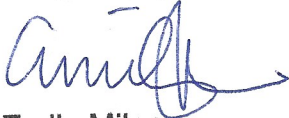
Recent VIC programs have been posted on the VIC webpage and have been marketed on social media, the library newsletter, and through emails to various lists and groups. Ms. Milan will make slides for Channel 18. Ms. Groswald will write a press release for the Cape Cod Chronicle column.
  
- IV. **OLD BUSINESS**
  1. **Know Your Town update** Ms. Milan reported that the podcasts continue to gain listeners but did not have precise statistics.
  2. **Review Status – Spring Programs**
    - a. **Financial State – 4/8** The Chair praised Ms. Groswald for her excellent work on the Financial State of Harwich program.
    - b. **Warrant Review – 4/20** Committee members applauded the Chair for her work on the Warrant Review. The Chair indicated that further press is needed to promote the Spring programs.
    - c. **Candidates Forum – 5/11** The Chair expressed disappointment in the response from this year's candidates. She noted that very few candidates have committed to participating in the 5 minute interviews, indicating that they are running unopposed and do not find it necessary. Ms. Groswald noted that even running unopposed there is still a need to

introduce yourself to voters. The Chair also indicated a mixed response from the candidates in opposed races (Board of Selectmen and Water/Wastewater) In terms of the Board of Selectmen race, initial response from candidates was positive but the League of Women Voters representative has not yet received a confirmation from Gallante. In the Water/Wastewater race, neither candidate responded to any communication from the Chair. The Chair asked for guidance on any additional measure that might be taken Ms. Milan suggested a final phone call to candidates to attempt to secure a confirmation of participation. Otherwise the Forum may need to be cancelled due to lack of participation.

V. **OTHER** – Ms. Groswald indicated that the town will have to host a special election to fill the Board of Selectmen seat which is open after the recent passing of Stephen Ford.

VI. **ADJOURN** There being no further business, Ms. Groswal made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Milan seconded. The Chair took a roll call vote. Ms. Milan - yes, Ms. Groswald- yes, Ms. Joyce- yes. The Chair adjourned the meeting at 2:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Emily Milan  
Clerk

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