

Harwich Voter Information Committee
Wednesday, June 23, 2021 at 2pm

MINUTES approved Aug 25, 2021
Held remotely

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Joyce called the meeting to order at 2:01 pm with a roll call. Pam Groswald- present, Emily Milan- present, Chris Joyce- present. The Chair noted that a quorum was present.

- II. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** The Chair noted the presence of a member of the public who was introduced as Joy Jordan. Ms. Jordan indicated that she has submitted her paperwork to join the Voter Information Committee and is awaiting the next round of committee interviews.

- III. **NEW BUSINESS**
 1. **Approve April 28, 2021 minutes-** This vote was postponed until the next meeting.
 2. **Possible Fall Programs – Local Election, Selectman vacancy, committee recruiting, etc.** The chair indicated that there is currently only one candidate for the special town election scheduled for September 21, 2021. It was suggested that the Chair attempt to reserve a space for a possible Fall Candidates Forum should the race be contested.

- IV. **OLD BUSINESS**
 1. **Know Your Town –** Ms. Milan expressed interest in resuming the Know Your Town podcast this fall with a series on local boards and committees. This could be used as an opportunity to recruit new members for existing vacancies on boards and committees. It was suggested that recording begin after the local election in September.

 2. **Review Spring Programs.**
 - Financial State – 4/8** The committee members agreed that Ms. Groswald's Financial State was well received.
 - Warrant Review – 4/20** The committee members noted that Ms. Joyce overcame unusual circumstances, mainly the inability to invite all article sponsors due to Covid restrictions.
 - Candidates Forum – 5/11** Each committee member expressed concern and disappointment in the lack of participation from candidates this year.

V. OTHER Ms. Groswald suggested that the committee create an invitation that could be distributed to all candidates along with election paperwork. This invitation could explain the purpose and intent of the Voter Information Committee and how we can assist candidates through interviews, forums, etc. Ms. Groswald will begin drafting the invitation. Ms. Milan asked about the status of in person meetings and the Chair indicated that the next committee meeting will likely be in person. Some discussion of the schedule and location ensued.

VI. ADJOURN There being no further business, Ms. Groswald made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Milan seconded the motion which passed unanimously. The Chair adjourned the meeting at 2:24.

Respectfully Submitted,


Emily Milan
Clerk