# NORTON FUND COMMISSION May 12, 2021 Zoom Meeting, Andover CT

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Dianne Grenier called meeting to order at 7:09 PM.

# MEMBERS PRESENT

Diane Grenier, Charlotte Nelson, Jan Neumuth, Bill Penn, and Heidi Xenophontos

## **MINUTES**

Diane moved to approve minutes of November 10, 2020. Heidi second, minutes approved unanimously

#### CORRESPONDENCE

None

### **FINANCES**

Information was not available. Charlotte\_will obtain figures from Town Treasurer, for Heidi to process for Norton Commission records.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Christmas Assistance - One family was given gift card to help with Christmas gifts for their children.

"Guess the Norton Number" was again a successful event in April at Andover Elementary School, overseen by Heidi. There were 4 student winners (2 of whom were remote learners) & a para-professional, all receiving gift cards. Bill will send information to Rivereast, and will clarify use of photo for publication, with the school.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

Discussion on low number of Scholarship Applications received, especially with concentrated efforts by Charlotte to "advertise" Norton Scholarship through many channels, including new Facebook page.

Suggestion to place information in the RHAMbler, the student paper, will be tried next year.

All members on Commission have agreed to return for 2 year term. Names will be given, by Dianne, to Board of Selectmen for re-appointment. After notification, members must be sworn in by Town Clerk for new term. Reminder that next meeting is November 10, 2021, 7:00 PM, Location TBD

#### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

2021 was the first year for on-line Scholarship applications, thanks to Charlotte's expertise. Three applications were received, and reviewed by Commission. After discussion, Dianne made motion, second by Charlotte, that two scholarships, each \$1000, would be given this year. Unanimous vote by members.

Dianne made motion, second by Heidi, that recipients chosen were Aiden Gibeault, for the Chester D. Norton Scholarship, and Addison Wallace, for the F. Kendall Brown and Frank H Brown Scholarship, with unanimous vote by Commission members. Charlotte will get checks from Treasurer.

# ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Jan at 9:03 PM Second by Heidi

Respectfully submitted, Jan Neumuth, Norton Commission Secretary