



The POINT HUMMER

BULLETIN of the POINT ASSOCIATION

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

A general membership meeting was held at the Newport Chamber of Commerce, on July 31, 1957, at 8:00 P.M. A sizeable group of Pointers attended; those unable to come missed an interesting and informative meeting.

The speaker, Mr. Lachlan Blair, Sr., partner of Blair Associates, City Planning Consultants, Providence, R.I., spoke on the "Pros and Cons of Historic Zoning". Mr. Blair then answered questions from the floor and the membership voted to have his excellent talk mimeographed and sent to the following interested groups commending it to their attention:

Newport City Manager and City Council
Middletown City Council
Portsmouth City Council
Newport Chamber of Commerce
Preservation Society of Newport County
Newport Improvement Association
Newport Historical Society
The Newport Garden Club
The Portsmouth Garden Club
The Middletown Garden Club

and other appropriate agencies and historical societies in Rhode Island.

The membership was informed that in order for Newport to achieve historic zoning it would be necessary to disseminate information, stimulate cooperation and educate the general public. It would also be necessary to convince the public that historic zoning could add up to cash for the citizens of the community and State enabling legislation would have to be enacted.

Refreshments were served after the meeting.

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After Mr. Blair's talk the business meeting was called to order by the president, Mr. S. Joseph Weaver. Committee chairmen were called upon for their reports:

Beautification Committee - Chairman, Dr. David Nemtsov. There is an allocation of \$500.00 for trees in the City budget. It is hoped a substantial amount of this will be used for trees on the Point. The actual tree planting is to be carried out this Fall. Damaged trees on Bridge St. are to be replaced first. New planting is to be considered for Walnut St., Poplar St., or Washington St.

Individuals wishing to have trees planted on the sidewalk near their homes and willing to pay for such (\$10.00) are requested to call the committee. Dead trees will also be removed if possible. The members of the committee are as follows:

Mr. Charles Hoffman
Mr. Harold Lehmann
Mr. Elton Manuel
Mr. David Smith
Mr. Arthur Vogt

Publicity and ACTION Committee - Chairman, Mr. David L. Smith. The chairman reported that all questions concerning ACTION be referred to him. A film, "Man of Action", is available and may be of interest to the membership.

Membership Committee - Chairman, Miss Ann Hardy. The chairman of the membership committee informed the meeting that ninety-one new members had been added to our association through the membership drive. Several business memberships were also obtained.