

# **Special Board Meeting Minutes**

Saturday, June 13, 2020 Via Zoom

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 am by the President, Margie Cyr.

#### **Board Members Present:**

Margie Cyr, Nancy Glasgow, Tris Kruger, Steve Larsen, Alex Sella, Jeff Sella, Marty Shecter, and Ellen Throop

#### Others:

Mark McCulloh, Beach Patrol Chair (31 Addy), Greg Pichler (20 Dune), Tim & Janie Switzer (1 Dune), and Rachel Foreman LaManna (11 Dune)

### **Unfinished Business**

- Ocean Air Produce: Marty reported that Ocean Air Produce has almost finished the installation of the permanent shade coverings and plans to open operations on Tuesday, June 16, 2020.
- Beach/Community Patrol Task Force Beach Flows: Margie gave an overview of the beach flows put in place by the Board on June 1: Evergreen, Addy, Errett and Bayberry walkways are designated one-way foot traffic only. Addy is two-way for people who have mobility issues. Bridge is closed for all traffic except for MBA staff and emergency responders. Mark McCulloh affirmed that lifeguards are sitting one to a stand and other lifeguards are stationed closer to the dune line. This Beach Flows has been in place for three weeks which has given a chance for review and observation.
- Comments heard from community members: one-way walkways are inconvenient; one-way walkways are excellent; rules are not being heeded on Errett and Bayberry; foot washes should be turned on; signage needs to be larger and more visible.
- There was a question about insurance coverage for COVID. Ellen stated that it was not covered by the existing policy. Having people sign a waiver was suggested as an option the Board might consider.
- Mark presented recommended changes to Beach Flows from the Task Force. The
  Task Force recommends that all walkways be reopened to two-way traffic because of
  the inability to enforce with 70-80% non-compliance; and frequent use of private

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property. The members of the Task Force do not believe it has been effective. The Task Force recommends relocating the lifeguards stationed at the dune line back to the water line where they can assist with water safety issues. Mark observed that many of the walkways are not wider than six feet but feels that people will respect social distancing. The Task Force requests that should the Bridge Rd walkway be opened, it should not be opened after 10:00 or noon for safety of staff.

- There was extended discussion. Signage has been torn down; enforcement is very difficult; if we have rules, we should enforce them; best to delay any opening of Bridge until noon; should masks be required on the walkways; the foot washing stations and hand levers are very dirty and are high touch surfaces that probably should not be turned back on; outside environment can still transmit the virus.
- Margie thanked Mark and the members of the Task Force for their thoughtful and diligent work.

## **New Business**

19 Short Culvert approval: Alex presented the additional culvert request for 19 Short. The existing culvert will be replaced as it is no longer functioning; and the owners have agreed to pay for and maintain an additional culvert to allow for a semi-circular driveway. The agreement between MBA and the owners has been signed by the owners. Alex moves and Tris seconds this agreement be approved. All were in favor.

23 Bayberry construction project has been completed. Jeff moved and Tris seconded that the project be closed and the deposit return in its entirety. All in favor.

#### **Executive Session:**

Tris moved and Jeff seconded to adjourn to Executive Session for the discussion of litigation potential in the COVID 19 environment; and 34 E. Short Noise Violation. All were in favor.

### Returning to the open meeting, actions taken in the Executive Session were:

Retain existing one-way foot traffic on Evergreen, Addy, Errett and Bayberry walkways. Addy two-way for people with mobility issues.

Bridge walkway remains closed to everyone except MBA staff and emergency responders.

In the event of a weather emergency, all walkways will be open to west-bound foot traffic to clear the beach more rapidly.

Deployment of lifeguards should be at the discretion of the Beach Patrol supervisor and

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chair. Lifeguard stands will continue to only hold one lifeguard at a time.

Larger directional signs will be made for both ends of each walkway.

Foot washes will remain closed.

Community Patrol staff was called to 34 E. Short for a Noise Violation and failure to Comply with Instructions from Community Patrol on June 6, 2020 at 1:00 AM and again later. A Hearing will be scheduled for the July 2020 meeting. The Board agreed a \$300 fine for the incidences was appropriate.

## **Adjournment:**

Alex motioned to adjourn. Tris seconded. All were in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm.

## **Next Board Meeting:**

Saturday, June 20, 2020.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tris Kruger, Secretary