



Community Meeting Minutes

Saturday, May 2, 2020

Via Remote Technology Conference Call

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by the President, Margie Cyr.

Introduction:

Margie introduced Board Members, Nancy Glasgow, Tris Kruger, Steve Larson, Mike O'Mara, Alex Sella, Jeff Sella, Marty Shecter, and Ellen Throop. She also introduced Debbie Reed and Mary Grimm from CAS.

Margie Cyr welcomed new members, Kathy and Ken Griffin (16 Bridge) and Rusty Rubble (12 Bridge)

Review of September 2019 Community Meeting Minutes:

Ken Rayburn motioned to approve the September 2019 Community Meeting Minutes as written. Marty Shecter seconded. The September Community Meeting Minutes were approved as written.

President's Report: Margie Cyr

Due to the Covid 19 Pandemic, the opening of the MBA beach will be dependent on the Governor's orders. Governor Carney will give his report on May 15th. The MBA Board will have an emergency meeting on May 17th to access the beach opening based on that report.

The Norman Law Firm sign has been removed from the Bennett property.

Treasurer's Report: Steve Larsen

Our budget consists of 80% in Operating Expenses and 20% in Reserve Funds. The three Reserve Funds are Operating, Beach, and Legal.

Operating Reserves include mostly roads and signs. The re-paving of of Dune Road was an Operating Reserve Fund expense.

The Beach Reserve Fund is for beach replenishment in the case of Hurricanes and or Nor'easters.

Committee Reports:

Building Committee: Jeff Sella

- New construction rules will be effective September 8th.
- The turn around time for building permits will be thirty (30) days for large projects and ten (10) days for small projects.
- All driveways must be pervious.

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- June 30th is the shut down date for all projects but hours have been relaxed until then.

Beach/Community Patrol Task Force: Mike O'Mara

- The duties of the Task Force have been broken down into four areas.
 - To establish a standard of care for all MBA employees
 - To establish a standard of care for any interaction among beach goers
 - To adjust the beach environment in accordance with State guidelines.
 - To decide how our beach will be used in accordance with State guidelines.

This will all be determined after the Governor's conference on May 15th.

Annual Assessment: Steve Larsen

- Steve discussed the various components involved in formulating the amount of the assessment.
 - The 2020-2021 assessment is set at \$2450 (\$100 increase from last year)
 - Big cost items include Management, Trash, Maintenance and Payroll.
 - The budget is a balancing act of "level of services" versus keeping the assessment low.
 - This year's budget includes cleaning out the culverts and installing a new roof on the guard shack.
 - We are still uncertain as to whether Covid 19 will have an impact on the budget.

The polling process revealed 125 votes in favor of the budget and 19 opposed. The 2020-2021 assessment of \$2450.00 has passed.

Community Comments:

Ann Rauskukas - What is the current rule regarding Dogs on the Beach?

- Dogs are not allowed on the beach from May 15th– September 15th

Jerry Rafael – Is a permit needed for small projects and if so are they easily approved?

- Permits are needed for small projects and the process is expedited.

Larry Binkley – When is the bulk pick up scheduled?

- The bulk pick up has not been scheduled due to the travel ban in effect.

Bruce Noble – Is there an update on the Wind Mills and will they be visible from our beach?

- We are unsure but there is information on Delaware-Surf-Fishing.com

Greg Pichler- Can the assessment be paid in payments?

- The rules prohibit a payment schedule, but maybe a case by case review.

Chris Powers and Gerard Thelan applauded Dave Taylor for his past work on the Beach Committee.

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Margie Cyr thanked Mark McCulloh for chairing the Beach Committee.

Ken Rayburn thanked the Board for their hard work.

Bruce Nobel commented that the format of the meeting worked extremely well for those members who live far away and are unable to attend the community meetings.

Adjournment:

Tris motioned to adjourn. Nancy seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 12:45.

Next Community Meeting:

September 5th at 10:00 AM

Respectfully Submitted,

Tris Kruger

Nancy Glasgow