

MIDDLESEX BEACH ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING

June 14, 2014

All Board Members present.

Also present: Ginny Heier (RPM) and Steve Larsen (Community member)

Meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM

COMMUNITY COMMENTS

Steve Larsen voiced his strong opposition to the reversal of the Smoking ban on the beach. He stated that he believed that MXB is moving in the wrong direction with our current policy. Sharon Adams explained how the Smoking ban that was instituted last season was confusing and difficult to enforce. Sharon informed Steve Larsen that the Board would take this matter under advisement. Dave Wiecking agreed to draft a message for Board review to inform the Community about this issue.

May Community meeting minutes were approved for accuracy. Glenn Hamilton motioned to approve May Board minutes. Geoff Sella seconded. May Board minutes were unanimously approved.

PROPERTY MANAGEMENT REPORT

Ginny Heier reported that Shore Mart has a new owner. He will add a deli. No other major issues were reported.

TREASURER

Geoff Sella stated that the budget seems to be on target. The annual budget for road improvement has been spent.

SECURITY

Sharon Adams requested that Security patrols the Beach more frequently. Glenn Hamilton stated that the Security Guards patrol each street every hour. Judy Myers suggested that Security could use a bike to patrol Evergreen road. Glenn will discuss the Evergreen road issue with the guards.

COMMUNITY FACILITY

Dave Wiecking reported that a collapsed driveway culvert on Evergreen has been replaced. Beach ramps are nearing completion. Paving of Errett was done well, but standing water remains in the intersection of Beach Plum and Evergreen; RPM to contact Matt's Paving to meet onsite. Dave said the watering trailer has been very useful for some tasks beyond its original purpose. Drainage on Errett Rd (9&11) was completed at MBA expense by a landscaper working at #11. Sharon Adams requested that the Building Committee withhold a portion of 20 Bridge building deposit due to road damage incurred

by a delivery truck; RPM requested to coordinate this repair with the work needed at Evergreen/Beach Plum. Mary Byrd requested a withholding of a portion of the 24 Errett deposit to replace the sign damaged by a delivery vehicle.

BUDGET

Geoff Sella informed the Board that compilation reports may be unnecessary. A Compilation is simply a presentation of the financial information that we provide. The CPA's do not examine or review the underlying data. Sharon Adams requested that Geoff get three quotes for a Full Audit instead of a compilation report.

LEGAL

Sharon Adams has formed a committee to ensure that there is oversight with employee hiring, conduct and liability issues; Legal Committee (Adams, Throop, Wiecking) to be joined by Geoff Sella for this purpose. Geoff agreed to email information his firm had recently compiled re employee conduct to Ellen Throop. Draft copies of rules of conduct, employee agreement, and lifeguard competition indemnification were distributed to Board Members for review and discussion.

BUILDING

Judy Myers reported that June has been a very busy month—with projects trying to complete by July 1st deadline. Judy requested that RPM continues to keep an eye on ongoing projects. Board discussed potential issues surrounding fines, amounts and methods of recovery. Bill Gay has been researching surrounding communities. Ellen advised Judy to use Sussex County to curtail flagrant violations.

BEAUTIFICATION

Mary Byrd stated that over 60 members attended the first MXB Happy Hour hosted by the Ambrose's. Mary informed the Board that 300 people would be needed to cover the cost of the 55th MXB Anniversary Party. Dave will send an email to remind members to purchase their tickets. Mary stated that the plantings have been completed. The watering program is going well. Mary has met with DelDOT about future walkway on Bridge road for pedestrians. There will be an upcoming Beautification meeting to be announced.

COMMERCIAL

Sharon Adams reminded Natalie Reatig that if Commercial owners provide proof of trash removal they will receive a trash rebate. Sharon asked Natalie to draft a letter to owners with the rebate. Ginny Heier agreed to assist.

ADJOURNMENT

The next Board meeting will be July 19 at 9:30.

Natalie Reatig motioned to adjourn. Geoff Sella seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 12 PM