



SPSA Annual Meeting Minutes 07/08/2023

- Meeting called to order by President Jerry Brown @ 11:10 a.m., A quorum of 32 (21%) of 151 paid members was reached.

- President's comments:
 - Introduction of board members
 - Minutes from 2022 meeting accepted (minutes of annual meetings are posted on the SPSA website @ www.sandpointeshores.org).
 - Discussion concerning by-law changes, language was added to the by-laws recently in order to process ACH transfers as required by some vendors i.e. (payroll, workers compensation insurance). It was agreed that any proposed by-laws changes brought to the membership will contain edits which clearly show current and proposed language. It was noted that the by-laws do indeed require a $\frac{2}{3}$ vote of the members present at the annual meeting, the "Standing Rules" only require a majority approval of the Board of Directors. Confusion seems to have come up as the standing rules are currently incorporated in a separate section at the back of the by-laws. In order to provide more transparency and clear up any confusion the by-laws and standing rules will be separated into two documents with both being posted to the web site.
 - Discussion ensued concerning improving communication. Lee Burwell volunteered to take on the project of improving communication, many members noted that email and SPSA website would be a good place to start. It was noted that many members do not provide their email address and member turnover (buying, selling, renting, vacation rental owners, etc) adds complexity in keeping the email list updated.

- Treasurer's Report:
 - Fiscal 2023 financial report was passed out to all attendees, Snapshot of current financials include opening balance and member deposits of

\$34,268.94 - expenses of \$34,239.45 - capital reserve fund of \$11,162.26. Complete report is available to all members - send request to sandpointeshores@gmail.com.

- It was noted that major projects completed or in progress included fence installation and sand replenishment.
- Number of paid members as of the annual meeting date was 151 which is in line with prior years, with an additional 5 to 10 paying members expected by the end of July.

- Capital Project Update
 - Sand replenishment projects at both beaches are in progress. Survey and engineering work has been completed and meetings have been held with Falmouth Conservation Commission results as follows:
 - The commission has agreed to the sand replenishment as configured at Whitecaps beach but has required that we revegetate an area on Dudley beach of approximately 400 square feet due to pruning and installation of 12 feet of boat racks over the past several years. They have stipulated that planting in designated areas must take place prior to sand replenishment.
 - Member discussion ensued resulting in a vote by the membership to proceed with Whitecaps beach first barring any unforeseen issues with the commission. Some members indicated they will reach out to the Falmouth Conservation Commission in an attempt to convince the commission to retract all or part of its requirement of revegetating 400 square feet at Dudley Beach.
 - Tennis Courts - Steve updated the group on some of the things he is working on in regards to resurfacing the court. Steve indicated there is a material that can be used to patch cracked areas and that line painting and removal or repair of backboard will also be required. Cost would be substantially less than normal repair by a tennis court reconditioning company but would require volunteers to undertake the project. Further investigation is necessary but the project would be tentatively set for spring of 2024.

- Beach Update -
 - Water quality was discussed with mention made of the link on our website to APCC who tests for Cyanobacteria on a bi-weekly basis. It was also mentioned that Barnstable County tests weekly for e coli with results posted at both beaches.

- Beach passes will be issued to each paid household again this year and should be presented to beach guards (Julie & Jason) when visiting the beaches.
 - Porta-Potty will again be available for members at Whitecaps beach.
 - Discussion on boat storage and registration. Suggestion was made that we require an additional fee for storage at the beach due to limited space. Suggestion taken under advisement for further discussion.
 - Short discussion on ramp/walkways across the sand and into the water. Further investigation needed.
 - Short discussion on buoys for swimming areas and potential liability. Further investigation needed.
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- Meeting adjourned at 12:35 with the next annual meeting scheduled for July 6th at 11:00 a.m.