

OLD COLONY BEACH CLUB ASSOCIATION
SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2018
SHORELINE CHURCH, 287 SHORE RD., OLD LYME

Old Colony Beach Club Association Semi-Annual Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Board Chairperson Doug Whalen. Doug began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. He also asked for a moment of silence in memory of those Association members who have passed away since the last Association Membership meeting. Doug noted that a quorum of members was present.

Approval of September 9, 2017 and June 23, 2018 Semi-Annual Meeting Minutes: Doug informed the membership that through an inadvertent error the September 9, 2017 meeting minutes had not been approved at the June 2018 meeting. A motion (Joel Zimmerman/Anita Kaplowicz) was made to accept the September 9, 2017 meeting minutes. There was no discussion. The motion passed. A motion (Frank Nicotera/Bernard Mandel) was made to accept the June 23, 2018 meeting minutes. There was no discussion. The motion passed.

Board of Director's report:

Chairman's Report: Doug read from his previously prepared Chairman's Report (Attachment 1).

Treasurer's Report: Janet Montano presented a Treasurers Summary for the period ending September 8, 2018 (Attachment 2). Janet noted that more detail for this Summary will be available on the Association's website.

Clerk's Report: Rich Kingston apologized that pages 4 and 7 from the June 23, 2018 meeting minutes were missing from the mailed copy of the meeting materials. Rich noted that this error only applied to the printed copies as the e-mail and web versions of the meeting materials contained all the pages of the minutes.

Tax Collector: Sonia Dudas was happy to report that \$140,614.85 in FY2019 taxes and late fees has been collected to date. Five (5) taxpayers have yet to pay their taxes which represents \$3,150.20 in uncollected revenue.

Director of Public Works Report: Joel Zimmerman reported that Public Works had a very successful year. Both of the summer contractors (beach cleaning and landscape maintenance) have performed well. The annual mosquito program continued this year. Joel also reported that efforts to prepare the Association for winter will commence soon.

Director of Public Safety: Steve Humes reported that this summer's security services program ended on Monday, Labor Day. Steve stated that after the first few weeks the summer's security service program worked out well. He will be preparing bids for next year's security service over the winter. Steve noted that the supervision of the security service was improved from the prior year.

Entertainment Director: In Gavin's absence Doug reported that the entertainment schedule for the summer season went very well. The last scheduled event for a Karaoke Night which was rained out

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has been rescheduled at the beginning of July next year. Doug encouraged suggestions from the membership about new activities. He also appealed for support to assist in operating such activities.

Public Comment – There was no public comment.

Committee Reports:

Water Pollution Control Authority: Steve Humes reported that great progress has been made with regards to contracts which are important to the sewer installation project. These include a contract with East Lyme and one with New London. Steve also reported that the town will be holding a public hearing on September 19th at 7:00 p.m. at the LOL Middle School auditorium to discuss leasing land on Portland Avenue to the three beaches to be used to construct a pumping station. Steve noted that a formal vote on this issue is expected on Monday, September 24th but this date has yet to be confirmed by the Old Lyme Board of Selectmen. Steve reported that a “Clean Water” grant application has been submitted to the state Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) for the necessary funding for this portion of the project (pump station to New London). Doug thanked the WPCA for its hard work. Doug noted that the WPCA is researching the EDU formula in great detail before it makes a formal proposal to put in front of the membership. The membership can then comment on the WPCA EDU proposal before the WPCA votes to approve a final EDU formula.

Sheffield Brook Project: Doug informed the membership that the NRCS has agreed to pay for an every other year brush cut in the upper portion of the Sheffield Brook project easement area. It has also agreed to clear around the many recently planted trees and blueberry bushes. Additional efforts will also be funded to remove the invasive fragmites from the stream itself. All of these efforts are contingent on new federal funding.

Doug turned the meeting over to Rich Kingston, Association Clerk, to conduct the voting on the two listed meeting voting items.

FY2018 Budget Year End Balance Transfer – Rich read the motion as follows: “To approve a transfer from Public Works to Public Safety. Under article VIII, Section 2 in the amount of \$1,100.” A motion (Frank Nicotera/Marilyn Asal) was made to approve the transfer of such funds. There was no discussion. The motion passed.

Board of Governors Nominations –Rich stated that both he and Steve Humes, current members of the Board whose terms are expiring, have indicated that they are willing to serve another three year term on the Board of Governors. Rich noted that there were no nominations to the two vacancies on the Board of Governors submitted prior to this meeting. Rich then solicited additional nominations from the floor. As there were none, a motion (Bob Asal/Ruth Spitz) was made to close the nominations and direct the Clerk to cast one ballot each for Steve Humes and Rich Kingston. There was no discussion. The motion passed. Rich, as Association Clerk, then entered one vote for each candidate. Steve and Rich were therefore re-elected to new three (3) year terms on the Board of Governors.

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Old Business: Doug stated that Joel Zimmerman is writing a contract with a vendor to fill cracks in the roads and to repair the damaged speed bump and pot hole in front of 21 Gorton Avenue. Doug also noted that the Board is taking the appropriate steps to prepare for the off-season. He also announced that beach clothing is still for sale.

New Business: There was no new business.

Public Comment: Lenny Gregorian of 47 Gorton Avenue asked if the Board had a feeling about how the town voters feel about leasing town land for the pump station. He believes that having a pump station at the proposed location was very advantageous for the town and Soundview Beach. Doug urged the members present to attend the town vote presently anticipated for Monday, September 24th and vote to approve the lease for the pump station. Doug noted that a person only needs to be a deeded homeowner to take part in this hand vote. On another matter Doug asked those present to consider holding the Association's semi-annual meetings in the morning rather than in the evenings. He also suggested the possibility of holding the second meeting before Labor Day rather than after. Tom Trigila of 39 Gorton Avenue asked if there was a plan about removing the rocks and stones in the water that make entering the water uncomfortable. Doug stated that although the Association's options are limited the Board can discuss this issue over the winter. Lenny Gregorian stated that he is very concerned about moving beach sand into the water should this be proposed as a solution.

Adjournment: Doug stated that the next membership meeting is scheduled for June 22, 2019. A motion (Nancy Zimmerman/Ruth Spitz) was made to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 7:20 PM.

Minutes recorded by:



Richard Kingston, Clerk
September 18, 2018

Minutes Approved by General Membership at June 22, 2019 Semi-Annual Meeting

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Results of Voting at the September 8, 2018 Old Colony Beach Club Association Semi-Annual General Membership Meeting

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Attachment 1

Chairman's Report for September 8, 2018 membership meeting

This summer seemed to go very quickly with no major incidents in the community.

I would like to thank the many people who helped get raffle prizes for the summer picnic, special thanks to Brenda & Claire for the many raffle prizes they worked hard to get.

Beach activity during holidays and peak weekends seemed to be on the increase this season, the beach pass system worked with 99% compliance. Security reported a large amount of golf cart issues with underage drivers, not stopping at stop signs and going the wrong way on the one-way streets. It was also noted in the security reports that golf cart & scooter usage after 11pm was on the increase. It is the goal of the Board of Governors that families in our community self-police their family's members and review Association rules & regulations at the beginning of the season with all family members.

- Attended meetings for Federation of Beaches
- Attended Town of Old Lyme Selectman's meetings
- Attended Soundview commission meetings
- Attended OCBCA & Town of Old Lyme WPCA meetings
- Attended meetings and conference calls w/ WPCA Chairman related to the ongoing sewer project
- Completed the U.S. Department of Commerce census of Governments, survey of local Government Finances
- Called DEEP boat patrol & old Lyme police on numerous occasions regarding boats with abusive language & drinking in front of pavilion. Each time DEEP had no boats to check situation out but Old Lyme Police responded and took appropriate action on two occasions.
- Meeting & phone calls with Town Selectwoman & CT State Police regarding lack of enforcement on water regarding boats & jet skis, also discussed lack of enforcement related to alcohol disturbances on the beach.
- Attended Old Lyme Police Department committee. Requested better police services in the beach area during the summer months. Asked for them to concentrate on the beach area, boats w/loud music & alcohol disturbances. Requested a possible liaison for beach communities to resolve issues at the beginning of the season instead of having issues that go unresolved until end of season.
- Worked with Town Dog Warden regarding dog's walking on the beach due to OCBCA resident complaint that included pictures & video of people walking dogs on the high tide line. Asked the Federation of Beaches to look into this for next summer and have all 16 beaches request action by the Town to enforce the Town ordinance during the summer months.
- Meeting & phone calls with NRCS regarding follow-up to Sheffield Brook project. Discussed follow-up maintenance program and possible funding by NRCS to conduct the first 2-years of maintenance in the easement area.
- Conducted beach pass checks during the weekday when security was not on-duty due to complaints that there were people on the beach that were not residents when security was not in place to check passes. After many checks on all the weekdays it was noted that some OCBCA residents did not have passes because they felt they were not needed since security was not on-

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duty. It was also observed that after more than 15 different checks only 1 or 2 times some beach goers were not residents and were asked to leave.

- Reviewed all USA security reports and approved all USA bills. Bills were sent to the treasurer for payment after verification of actual hours worked.
- Working with Security 101 and Comcast Business to upgrade security camera in community. Some of the issues we are trying to address is coverage at entrance gates & Sheffield brook outflow. We are also looking to put the gate card access program in the “cloud” instead of on 1 computer. These cameras will have recording capabilities and will also have the ability to put live video of beach cameras on the website for residents to access when not on the beach.
- Repositioned Breen bulletin board and put new cork inside.
- Helped Recreation director with movies on the beach, sandcastle contest events, picnic/raffle event and other recreation events during the summer.
- Picked up discarded beach chairs, umbrellas, metal & tires left on the beach and brought to the Old Lyme dump for proper disposal.
- Brought out blue beach barrels every Thursday & Monday for pick-up.
- Fixed front entrance solar lights on pillars
- Worked with Eversource to fix street lights that were out. We are a private street so if you call and say it is Town of Old Lyme they will not come out. Go to Eversource website and fill out street light repair section.

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Attachment 2

Treasurer's Summary
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Balance July 1, 2018:	\$235,258.50
	\$153,241.26 *
	(\$44.38) FY 2018 tax overpayment made in 2017*
	<u>\$0.90</u> FY 2018 tax overpayment*
Income:	\$153,197.78
Expenses:	\$41,586.08
Balance September 8, 2018:	\$346,870.20
General Fund Checking	\$80,551.42
General Fund MM Savings	\$142,931.97
Capital Fund MM Savings	\$123,386.81
Balance 9/8/18	\$346,870.20

*QuickBooks does not consider tax overpayments made in one FY as income in that year but as income in the following FY.