

Old Colony Beach Club Board of Governors (BoG) Meeting
Wednesday, September 18, 2024 @ 6:30 PM conducted via Zoom
and in-person at 41 Old Colony Rd

BoG Minutes-Clerk Report

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order on 9/18/24 at **6:32** PM by Doug Whalen, Chairman.

Roll call: Doug Whalen, Janet Montano, Steve Humes, Donna Maselli. Kristina Wilson, Les Webb, Enzo Radinieri present. Quorum met.

Public: Joe Frutuoso, Harvey Schiller

The Board of Governors Meeting Minutes from August 7, 2024 had no discussion. A motion to approve (Maselli/Humes) was made. Six approved, one abstained. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report (Janet Montano): Janet provided the Treasurer's Report. See attached.

Action Item Update: None

Correspondence:

Doug noted that Fuss & O'Neil received correspondence re: the DEEP permit for the stormwater program. OCB also received a copy.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chairman Report (Doug Whalen)- Doug and Frank Noe have been working closely on the New London agreement. Old Lyme shores wanted two words changed. New London agreed as long as the Old Lyme attorney was ok with it. The Old Lyme attorney agreed with the changes and will sign the agreement.

We are still negotiating the Cost Sharing Agreement with Old Lyme. The CSA was given to Mike Carey, the Old Lyme attorney and we are awaiting his response.

Doug attended the Federation of Beaches meeting. They put together a committee to re-look at the stipends for the beaches and how they are divided. Doug Whalen is on that committee.

Doug received a good response from people re: providing their gate tag numbers.

Treasurer (Janet Montano)- We received a \$981.16 CT Water bill this month. It is normally \$1,000, but we had some credits.

Clerk (Donna Maselli)- Nothing to report

Tax Collector (reported by Janet Montano)-

Two residents were overdue with their tax assessments, one of which has been delinquent for many years. The total outstanding amount was \$1,427.60, however one of the resident's did submit the payment on September 18th. Doug will remind the other resident.

Recreation (Kristina Wilson)- Nothing to report

Public Safety (Steve Humes)- Nothing to report

Public Works (Les Web)- Beach grooming ends this week. We are moving the jet ski line closer to the rocks by the brook. We have the snow contract for one more year. The Beach signs are down. We need to add the No Smoking signs.

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WPCA (Steve Humes)- Nothing to report. Doug said that we are hoping to go out to bid for the sewer project by October.

Sheffield Brook- Steve is going to have a meeting with Old Lyme Shores to discuss seeking grant funding to do improvements recommended by the engineers. Sheffield Brook is on the property line- 50% OLS and 50% OCB.

OLD BUSINESS

- a) **Security Camera Update:** Security 101 gave us a proposal for 3 security cameras and it included an ongoing monthly monitoring charge. DuBaldo electric gave us a proposal for 5 cameras, with 24/7 monitoring on phone app and no monthly monitoring fee. DuBaldo's proposal was significantly lower and had no monthly monitoring fee. Battery back-up and installation were also included in the DuBaldo proposal. A motion was made to accept the DuBaldo proposal (Whalen/Humes). Motion passed unanimous.
- b) **Gate Access Cards-** Doug has had a good response from the email requesting residents to send gate card numbers. The BoG can enable/disable gate cards. In June 2025, we will disable all cards that are not associated with a resident.
- c) New Beach passes- Tabled for a future meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

- a) **Board Position-** Motion to approve Enzo Radineri as Tax Collector and all other positions remain the same (Whalen/Montano). Passed unanimous. The Board thanked Nancy Zimmerman for her years of service.
- b) **Board Meetings 2024/2025-** There was a discussion regarding best days for upcoming BoG meetings. The board meetings will be on the second Tuesday of every month at 6:30 PM. Motion (Whale/Webb). Motion approved unanimous.
- c) **Snow Plowing contract approval-** Doug shared the contract from Tower Landscaping. There was a motion to approve the contract with Tower Landscaping for snow removal. (Whalen/Maselli). Steve Humes requested a change to the language regarding the waiver of the claims from within 48 hours, to within 48 hours of discovery. Passed unanimous with the change as recommended by Steve.
- d) **Tent & Canopy Review**
At the August General Membership meeting residents were informed that the BoG had several complaints about the amount of space taken up by beach canopies. Residents were asked to submit any concerns or opinion to the Clerk. The Clerk received several emails from residents with photos included requesting that beach canopies be restricted. Doug requested Clerk to forward the photos to the BoG.
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- e) **New Beach Tag Review-** Doug said that Purtill South was part of the Charter Oak lawsuit and has limited access, and Purtill North can have access to anywhere on our beach. New passes will be discussed at a future meeting.
- f) **Speeding & Stop Sign Violator Review-** Children at Play signs were placed on our streets to warn drivers to slow down. Doug said the town will loan us their lighted speed mph sign at no cost. It could be moved from street to street. Doug said speed signs can be purchased.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Joe Frutuoso-

- Hold-off on telling residents they can use beach WIFI for streaming or we will go over our limit. Doug said the beach WIFI will be limited.
- When you use a beach umbrella you have to move with the shade.
- Joe suggested putting a QR code on the beach passes. The guard can scan it and get the address if needed.
- A lot of beaches have the portable speed limit devices (speed things). Speed bumps don't stop speeders. Joe asked about removable speed bumps. Doug said we had them in 2003 and a nail was sticking up and punctured someone's gas tank. Doug said when the roads are repaved, we will have painted stop bars at all stop signs and speed humps.
- The next BoG Meeting will be October 8, 2024 at 6:30PM. The Zoom link and location will be sent out.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made (Montano/Humes). Motion approved unanimous. Meeting was adjourned at 8:02 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna C. Maselli, Clerk