

Old Colony Beach Club Association

Board of Governors meeting

January 13, 2026

DRAFT ONLY

Meeting conducted on Zoom was called to order at 6:30pm

Attendance: Whalen, Radinieri, Camilleri, Humes, Wilson, DuBaldo, Foster

Public: Frutuoso, Pace, Tolchinski, Grossman, Reynolds

Approval of December 9, 2025 meeting- motion to pass (Humes\Wilson) Motion passes.

Treasurer's Report

***Old Colony Beach Club Association
FY2026
July through December 2025***

Balance July 1, 2025	\$1,062,514.36
Income:	\$255,541.45
Expenses:	\$162,125.79
Balance as of December 31,2025	\$1,155,880.45
General Fund Checking 7032	62,533.53
Capital Fund MM Savings 7045	2,500.74
Municipal General Fund MM 3367	211,944.64
Municipal Capital Fund MM 3374	136,622.95
Municipal Capital Loan Fund MM 3358	742,278.59
Balance December 31, 2025	\$1,155,880.45

Correspondence:

- Town request for beach stipend documentation
- Letter from Joe Frutuoso regarding traffic study
- Federation of beaches survey request
- Patel/Lombard court trial request for Chairman testimony.
- DuBaldo Security services follow-up on camera issue
- Danielle Braun (Shipman & Goodwin) letter regarding Sewer resolution bond update

- Ramboll Sheffield Brook service request for next phase of study
- CT DEEP sewer project License #202004254 Permit.

Committee Reports:

Chairman- still working with Frank Noe & Steve Humes on the Cost Sharing Agreement (CSA) for the sewer project. Working with Fuss & O'Neill on the Storm Water permits with DEEP and putting together the bid package for the storm water project.

Treasurer- No additional information to report

Clerk- Catherine Foster introduced herself, Catherine has been coming down to OCBCA since an early age and has many fond memories of OCBCA. Catherine lives in New York City and will be spending summers at her home which is being renovated at 21 Brookside. We would like to thank Catherine for volunteering to be a Board member.

Tax Collector- there is now 1 outstanding tax that has not been paid. The tax collector reported a delinquent tax was paid but without interest. A bill will be sent to notify the owner of interest that it needs to be paid before they are clear.

Recreation- Kristina will have a report of activities for the February meeting. Kristina stated the usual activities- Summerween, 4th July parade, Christmas in July, beach sand castles and kids beach breaks will be put on the schedule. Kristina asked about having a band play this year to replace the dinner event. Some residents have been asking for a band, and the thought would be to have the band and raffle dinner alternate years. We would have the usual bring a dish dinner for the Christmas in July event along with a DJ. It was discussed that people could bring appetizers and BYOB for their own table for the band event

Public Safety- nothing to report

Public Works- Tony is working with the fence contractor to get the fence installed. Hope to have some good weather and have it installed by next week. The stop sign at the corner of Hartung and Old Colony was knocked down and will be reinstalled in spring. Tony has been checking the mail P.O. Box for the association. Tony is working with Tom Montano to get sand by Sheffield Brook area cleared out and Paddleboard racks removed for rest of winter months.

Sheffield Brook Outflow- Steve presented the proposal to have Ramboll work with DEEP to go over solutions to fix the outflow area. Ramboll will work with the company that installed the Hawks Nest outlet that seems to be working and not filling up with sand. Ramboll is also looking for research funding opportunities for the project. Motion was made (Humes/DuBaldo) to approve the \$4,000.00 additional services to get review of the next step to get outflow area fixed. It was also requested to send the request to OLS to get their 50% share of the additional services. **Motion passed unanimously.**

WPCA Report Steve Humes reported that the WPCA voted to adopt the 2020 CSA that includes the Town of Old Lyme. The Town of Old Lyme completed all the requirements to become an active member of the CSA. All 3 beach associations and the Town signed the CSA and that became the active document for the sewer program.

Old Business

Vacant Board position- A motion was made to approve Catherine Foster to the Board of Governors. (Whalen/Camilleri) **Motion passed unanimously**

Clerk Position- motion was made to have Catherine Foster as OCBCA Clerk. (Whalen/Humes) **Motion passes unanimously**

Tent Canopy Ordinance- The tent/canopy ordinance was discussed in detail. Steve Humes proposed changes to the initial language. After some discussion there was a consensus that board members were concerned about making this a law. It was suggested that the Board could make a motion to have this as a new ordinance (law) or a recommendation to the OCBCA residents when visiting the beach. A motion was made (DuBaldo/Humes) to make it a recommendation for tents & canopies on the beach. **Motion passes unanimously**

The following is the Tent Canopy recommendation:

The new recommendation for having Chairs, Umbrellas, tents and/or canopies on the beach is the following:

No chairs, Umbrellas tents or canopies may be left unattended before 8:00am.

Tents, defined as any structure with sides on Old Colony Beach, are suggested to be no bigger than 6 ft X 4ft X 4ft. Baby tents are permitted but suggest no larger than 3ft x 3ft.

Canopies, which are defined as an open-sided shade structures, are suggested to conform to the following:

- Must be open on all four sides
- Size limit: no larger than 10ft x 10ft
- Anchoring must stay within the footprint of the canopy or within 4 ft of each leg

Our beach gets extremely crowded, and we want to make sure that we can provide an experience that everybody can enjoy. We realize that tents & canopies are important for sun protection. The new recommendation helps reduce crowding during peak summer months. The changes also reflect successful practices adopted by other popular beaches in the region.

The Board of Governors encourages all beachgoers to familiarize themselves with the new recommendations to ensure compliance and contribute to a safer, more enjoyable beach environment for everyone.

Golf Cart Registration form- The new golf cart registration form was discussed. It was revised by the golf cart committee and presented to the Board for action. Some of the changes were to have a minimum insurance requirement (liability coverage of \$100,000/\$300,000). It was also discussed to have all golf cart owners re-register their cart with the new registration form. Another suggestion that was agreed upon was to have each owner do a self-inspection of their golf cart and sign the new registration form stating their golf cart complies with the requirements. We also want to make sure the license plates are readable as some of the old plates have been faded out and we cannot read them. A motion was made (Whalen/Humes) to adopt the new golf cart/moped registration form and have all golf carts and mopeds re-register with the Association. **Motion passes unanimously.**

4th of July sub-committee-Megan DuBaldo and Tony Camilleri had nobody offer to help with the sub-committee. It was suggested to have Megan & Tony put together a scope of what the committee

will want to achieve and send that out to residents to get some volunteers. It was not intended to have residents work on the 4th but to work together to get some guidelines for all of the services we use on the 4th of July.

New Business

2026 recreation events- Kristina will provide an updated list of activities for the 2026 summer season. It was suggested to investigate a few food truck nights during the summer. It was also discussed to see if we can find an Ice cream truck to return during the summer.

2026 Emergency Plan- The 2026 emergency plan for the Association was discussed and reviewed by the Board. A motion (Whalen/Camilleri) to adopt the emergency plan. **Motion passes unanimously**

Public Comments-

Tolchinsky- the Town WPCA meeting was cancelled, and he is concerned about where it is going. He did state the First Selectwoman state the town is committed to follow-up on the sewer program.

Frutuoso- Joe expressed his concern about the intent of the Traffic study and the issue regarding the area north of the telephone pole at Hartung & Brookside and the planting of flowers in that area by a homeowner.

Next meeting is February 10, 2026 on ZOOM.

Adjourned- Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm (Whalen/Camilleri)