

Old Colony Beach Club Association

Board of Governors meeting

February 10, 2026

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

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

Public: Frutuoso, Pace, Lapierre, Reynolds, Schiller, Maselli

Approval of January 13, 2026, meeting- motion to pass (Humes\Camilleri) Motion passes.

**** ADD Agenda item****- motion made to add storm drainage report to agenda under old business (Whalen/ DuBaldo) Motion passed 6-0

Treasurer's Report

***Old Colony Beach Club Association
FY2026
July 2025 through January 31, 2026***

Balance July 1, 2025	\$1,062,514.36
Income:	\$259,911.27
Expenses:	\$168,541.36
Balance as of January 31, 2026	\$1,153,884.27
General Fund Checking 7032	57,634.75
Capital Fund MM Savings 7045	2,500.78
Municipal General Fund MM 3367	212,508.59
Municipal Capital Fund MM 3374	136,986.48
Municipal Capital Loan Fund MM 3358	744,253.67
Balance January 31, 2026	\$1,153,884.27

Correspondence:

- Garvin- asking about donations for 4th July fireworks
- Tent Rental Company is asking about volleyball court rental, will advise, must be a resident of OCBCA to use area.
- USA security asking about this summer guard service

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- should be able to receive all emails to clerk@oldcolonybeach.org. Will be working with Chairman to get Clerks duties together to pass on to Catherine.

Tax Collector- there is now 1 outstanding tax that has not been paid.

Recreation- Kristina will have a report under old business

Public Safety- nothing to report

Public Works - Tony is working with the fence contractor to get the fence installed once the snow melts, all the parts are in. There is a fence damaged by the Hartung/Brookside intersection due to snow plowing. Tony is working with contractor to fix the fence. Golf Cart parking area by boat launch area will be put on the schedule once the weather breaks and the snow melts.

4th July Committee- Megan and Tony discussed they will be looking to meet with the Resident Trooper to go over options for the 4th of July this year. Once they speak to the Resident Trooper they will call for a meeting to seek volunteers to help put together a program for the 4th.

Sheffield Brook Outflow- Steve reported that there was a meeting with Ramboll & DEEP to review options to fix shoaling in the outflow. Steve & Doug attended this meeting. DEEP stated the new outlet repair at Hawks Nest Swan Ave outflow is working and DEEP suggested we should consider that option for our area. DEEP suggested we do the reworking of the west groin with a lumber structure which is what was done at Swan Ave. outflow. DEEP stated we can possibly do the work under a Certificate of Permission (COP) which will take a few months to approve. If the work is very detailed, restructuring of the outlet will need to apply for a new permit which could take up to a year to approve. DEEP & Ramboll discussed possible funding sources for this project and DEEP provided Ramboll with the name of a DEEP representative who has access to some funding sources for this type of project.

WPCA Report Steve Humes reported that the WPCA meeting discussed the range of costs for the project due to the unknowns that are out there. It was discussed that the range is from \$2,500 to \$3,400 a year for 20 years as we wait for answers from the contractors and DEEP. Contractors were allowed a 6% escalation clause but are required to show proof of the escalation from the time of the bid submittal to the time of the award. DEEP is also working with the Attorney Generals Office to provide guidance on how the 25% CWF grant and the \$15m dollar forgivable loan will be applied. All those items' factors into the difference in costs along with the fact that the Town is not moving their share of the shared infrastructure and their internal forward currently. DEEP has provided a stern letter to the Town advising them DEEP is ready to send the Town a Consent Letter, like the ones the Beach Associations received, requiring them to actively pursue sewers or face fines. If the Town comes into the picture later, they will be required to pay the three beaches their share of the shared infrastructure. Presently, the Town is responsible for \$273,000.00 for the shared infrastructure design program IFO. The WPCA feels the Town is also responsible for the construction phase of the shared infrastructure under the CSA they signed in 2020.

Old Business

Recreation events review- Kristina has secured a band for July 18th event on the beach under a tent. It was discussed this event would be a BYOB and people could bring appetizers for their tables. A nominal fee of \$5.00 per person is an option to get a proper head count for the event to secure the proper tables and chairs. Kristina is also looking to see if there was a food truck that would come down to the event and park on Hartung to service the event goers. Cost would be on each person for the food truck.

July 25th we will have Christmas in July. This year it falls right on the 25th so this should be a big event for the beach. The event would be free to the residents, and we ask everyone to bring a dish to share. If you wish to have your child receive a present from Santa, we ask that you wrap the present with the child's name on the present and leave it in the guard shack before the event.

Kristina will be looking into a possible wine tasting event during the time we have the tent on the beach. If anyone knows of a Liquor store or a company that does this type of event, please let Kristina know at recreation@oldcolonybeach.org.

We are still looking to have Saturday morning YOGA on the beach but will need to make sure our vendor is still willing to come down to the beach every Saturday morning.

The Summerween trick or treat event is still planned for July and a movie on the beach will follow the trick or treating event.

The 4th of July parade is going to be a big event this year as it falls on a Saturday and is the country's 250th anniversary. More information will follow.

Sandcastle contests and Kids Beach breaks will also be planned in July and August.

Weekly Movies on the beach are still planned

Storm Drainage report- Fuss & O'Neill provided a report to send the storm drainage bids out to 8 construction vendors. The bid package would be sent out electronically on February 12th, a non-mandatory walk through would be on 2/26/26 at 10am last day for addendums questions is 3/4/26, last day for addendums is 3/6/26 and the bids will be opened on 3/12/26. The package was reviewed by the Board, and a motion was made to accept the bid package program for the storm drainage program (Whalen/Humes) the motion passed 6-0.

New Business

FY 27 Budget- The FY27 Budget was presented to the Board for their review. Board members need to review each section and provide any changes for next month's meeting. Steve Humes asked to add \$5,000.00 to the budget under the Sheffield Brook Project for possible future needs to get information on the Sheffield brook fix.

Public Comments-

Maselli asked about future stipend from town and is there a group looking at changes. Answer- yes, the Federation of Beaches has a group looking into a new formula to provide the beaches with a new stipend formula. Donna suggested we work with Fuss & O'Neill to get a better price for construction

management. Answer- yes we are working with Fuss & O'Neill to have them use minority vendors who work with Fuss & O'Neill at a lower cost.

Frutuoso- asked about Ramboll tasks for study, answer- the first task was to look at options to fix the shoaling issues that plague the Sheffield brook outflow area. That task was reviewed by the Sheffield Brook committee from both OLS and Old Colony Beach. The 2nd task was to research the options and set up a meeting with DEEP to find out what our options are and the impact each option would have. That meeting was held with Ramboll, DEEP, Steve Humes and Doug Whalen. Those options were explained in the minutes under Sheffield Brook outflow committee report. Joe asked about the storm water bond issue. Answer- it was explained that the bond was secured with Webster Bank in 2020 at 3.25% interest rate when the project was originally going out to bid. It was explained that the Bond has a 15-year term and we pay off principle & interest every year as outlined in the bond agreement with Webster Bank. Joe asked about the Pay for Play regarding residents on Swan Ave not paying to use the beach. Answer- it was explained that there was a lengthy lawsuit and the Judge ruled that the owners on Swan Ave had the ability to use Charter beach and Old Colony Beach under their deeds. Since there was no wording in the deeds of the ability to charge residents for their access to the beach, we do not have that ability but can request a voluntary donation from the residents. OCBCA sends that voluntary letter every year and receive payments from a majority of the 35 residents that have access to the beach.

Reynolds- it was asked to review the bike racks and either get new ones or fix the existing ones. Answer- Doug & Tony will review the bike rack situation this spring.

Lapierre- asked about the sewer project and how we will handle traffic. answer- we will be working with the contractor to close the street that they are working on and move to the next street as the contractor moves over. We will allow the contractor to work through the summer months. Swan Ave residents are under the Town and need to work with the Town for that schedule.

Next meeting is March 10, 2026, on ZOOM.

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