

**Town of Dennis
Beach Committee
Minutes of 8/14/19**

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Members present: M. Marvullo, C. Mooers, K. Moorey, P. Chatelain, C. Lambton (selectman liaison), K. Clancy, T. Dinnan (left at 7:10PM) H. Savicki, R. McGrath

Administrative Staff: D. Pineau

Others present: B. Perry, T. Howard, J. Howard, S. Castonguay

C. Mooers, chairman called meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Introduced C. Lambton as new selectman liaison.

Public information –Sydney Castonguay, beach department staff reported on the Dennis Beach parking account on Twitter. She updates this first thing in the morning usually by 9:00 AM. Name of beach and if it's full. Gate attendants let Sydney know and she tries to update immediately. Mostly positive comments from beachgoers. The committee thanked Sydney for all her work with this aspect of the beach experience.

Selectman—report to BOS—gate times as previously reported are the same. BOS asked for cost analysis about opening gates at 6 AM.

Mayflower Beach update---did not happen at Non-resident taxpayers meeting. Instead it was listed on the agenda as BSAM update. Connie updated at the meeting.

Rearrange agenda for New Business

5:46 PM 166 Bayview Road Bob from Cape Cod Engineering, Inc. came before the committee to request access over Bayview Beach. Revetment repair at 166 Bayview Road, repair eastern section of the revetment. Activity staged as it has been in the past. Deliveries will be direct. Impact to parking lot is predominantly parking a rubber-tire machine. Excavator will stay on the beach. Plan for work is hoping to be November/December for three to four weeks. Can the work be suspended during Thanksgiving week? K. Clancy made a motion to recommend to BOS to approve access over Bayview Beach for this project with recommended restriction of Wed-Sunday during Thanksgiving week. Seconded by H. Savicki.. Motion carried unanimously.

6:03 PM Review of minutes of July meeting. K. Moorey made a motion to accept as written. P. Chatelain seconded. Motion carried unanimously

Revenue report—slightly up from last year. Number of stickers sold is less, however.

Old Business

6:08 PM—Plastic bottle ban issue—we haven't heard from anyone regarding this issue. Kathy talked to GM at Coca-Cola. GM hasn't heard from anyone either. Canned water is still on Coca-Cola's production schedule. No prices quoted yet. Taking off our agenda until we hear from people again. Prices will need to be comparable.

6:13 PM –Long and short-term goals—handicapped platforms. Connie invited Tom Sisson to our next meeting. He says he can make one platform a year. Should we put some platforms on the capital list? We will discuss at the next meeting. Handicapped picnic tables are ready to be delivered to Mayflower beach. May have been delivered today.

6:15 PM Carry on/ carry off –initially heard complaints. Dustin still gets complaints from people. He explains the pilot program. People have understood the reason behind it but are complaining about

trash being left on the beach. What happens to this trash? Gate attendants pick it up and flag down DPW. We will continue to monitor it.

6:20 PM Working group updates---Info for Adopt-a-Beach Breakfast---9/28/19 at Chapin's Bayside at 9:00 AM. Committee members will bring contracts directly to the Adopt-a-Beach contacts.

Friends of Dennis Beaches ---Kathy is working on it.

Signs—Paul is working on signs that are nicer and more user friendly.

6:26 PM BSAM update—Deputy Sullivan reported the following information from the police log. 1083 calls to beach. We would like to have problems handled at the beach. We have monitors taking care of the alcohol problems before people get to the beach. People on the southside want monitors to be there as well to handle the problem of alcohol and glass bottles. Think more monitors are needed. We need to convince the finance committee to show that monitors are needed. Paul suggested that we need a three-year comparison to prove that there have been fewer incidents with monitors to show that it's cheaper to have monitors than policeman. Policemen are noting and telling people that there is no alcohol allowed at Corporation Beach at the concession.

6:36 BMAT—plovers—still one nest by the jetty at West Dennis Beach. First draft for order of conditions for revenue loss when barricades are up before plovers are fledging. BMAT is still working on this. Town has received a grant municipal vulnerability preparedness program---if there is an emergency -hurricane, etc.

6:43 Maintenance update—tornado clean-up, brand new electric sign board was lifted, port-a-johns, stairs were repaired at West Dennis. Beaches were open the next day. Connie commended all beach staff for cleaning up the beaches so that there was no disruption of service. Sydney reported use of Twitter for helping people get to the beach via different routes when roads were blocked. People were extremely grateful for this service. DPW has had difficulty getting to the mats because they have been dealing with tornado issues.

6:50 PM Beach Improvement Fund---Bill for Mayflower ---\$300,000 + for Mayflower Beach. How do we get more money for stickers (weekly and seasonal)? How is Mayflower beach concession stand doing? Dustin reported there seems to always be a line. End of three-year contract this year—out to bid in the fall, probably will be more bidders.

6:54 PM Sand Castle Contest ---who will be there? Registration starts at 6:00 AM. Next year we will need to help find prizes.

6:59 Budget and Capital---we would like monitors added to budget and handicapped platforms to capital and dedicated beach vehicle to capital.

7:00 Little libraries---at several beaches, how do these library get filled? Library committee sets up volunteers to help fill the libraries. Mary will find out who is on the committee and call them to see if they need help.

7:06 PM Someone emailed to see if people can volunteer at the gates during the end of the season. Dustin has asked for people to fill in and be paid. People are difficult to find to fill complete shifts.

Two things for next agenda—end of depot street beach, ugly wall, wall is under permit to be replaced.. Replacement stickers? Is this cost necessary? Universal sticker replacement fee for other departments. Put on agenda for when we discuss fees.

R. McGrath made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by K. Clancy. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:17 PM.

Next meeting Wednesday, September 11, 2019 at 5:30 PM at Dennis Town Hall

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Marvullo
Recording Secretary

Documents

- 1) Packet from Cape Cod Engineering re: beach access request (Beach and Recreation Office, Dennis Town Hall)
- 2) Beach Capital Improvement Fund Report(Beach and Recreation Office, Dennis Town Hall)