

SILVER BEACH IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

Beginning of Summer MEETING

May 28th @ 10:00am at the Tennis Courts

Minutes of the Association meeting of the Silver Beach Improvement Association (SBIA), North Falmouth, MA held in person on May 28, 2022 at 10:00am. The attached agenda is posted on the SBIA website.

Board Attendees: Penny Fleming, Ron Fernandes, Kelly Strain, David O’Keefe, Michael Halloran, Andy Doherty, Casey Quirk, Ray Lofstrom, and Karen Kullen.

Board Members Absent: Beth Murphy, Peter Lind, Elaine Beckett, Carolyn Halloran, Beth Tuleja, Rich McCarthy, Peter Leddy, and Sarah Maxwell.

Welcoming Remarks (Penny Fleming)

- The Association’s priorities are security and safety. Also, of upmost importance are preserving property values and maintaining all that is good about our neighborhood.
- We have a good partnership with Seascope with sharing our security. It saves us money and provides more coverage.
- The Association gets a lot of emails with complaints and concerns that the Association has little to no control over – such as kids jumping off the wall into the harbor. Reminder that we individually, as Town of Falmouth residents, should call the Town directly with concerns that the Association doesn’t have jurisdiction over.
- Reminder about Moses and “Baby” Beach Associations. We can use and sit on these beaches unless the owners ask us to move. Also, the owners are not held to the Associations laws, e.g. they can have coolers on their beach.
- We are looking for a Communications Board Member to serve as the website administrator as well as send out emails, etc.
- Jennifer Rogg volunteered to be the project manager for the two improvement projects, the playground and eating areas, and will continue gathering information for pricing and design. The projects will then be voted on by the Board and depending on cost of project by the Association Members at the August meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Beach (Karen and Casey)

- We appear fully staffed for Lifeguards. Many new guards this summer and only a few returning guards.
- We have hired a beach monitor who will wear a shirt indicating his position, will support the guards, be a visible presenter, work on all weekends and over 4th, Road Race, etc.

Entertainment/Social Activities (Kelly)

- All child events will be back; Crabbing, Fishing, Arts & Crafts, Tennis, Swimming, NSB’s Got Talent, etc. Adult opening party at the Hutchins on June 25th, a mid-summer adult party on Aug. 6th, and end of year cookout. Fitness, pickleball, etc. Dog show/parade.

- VOLUNTEERS ARE DESPERATELY NEEDED. The events will start to disappear off this year's calendar if not enough volunteers sign up. We have nearly 500 members/households and only 15 people have signed up so far.
- A man in the crowd asked if the Association will connect with the Tea Room for social events. Kelly responded that the Association has reached out to the Tea Room but no response. Also, from what we understand, Tea Room has been busy preparing to host private events.

Finance (Ron)

- We had 490 paid members/households last year. Ron is basing this year's budget on 440 just in case.
- We had a great year at the store last year but he is not counting on it this year because of supply issues.
- We are increasing pay for Lifeguards because of current issues with the economy and to be competitive.
- We have sent out letters to recruit members.
- Tables will be set up at the beach for membership cards. Once these tables close down, cards can be picked up at the store.

Grounds and Harbor (Andy)

- Andy shared that the beach clean-up is scheduled to be Saturday, June 25th. Bring your gloves, weedwhackers, and hedge clippers.
- We will have beach cleaning (guy we hire to remove seaweed) twice per week this year rather than once per week.
- The additional worry about kids jumping off the wall (aside from the obvious) is that we cannot control when it is dredged and is even more dangerous when low tide.
- The new pier – A Town dock like West Falmouth Harbor. A ramp on wheels that goes up and down with the tides leading to a floating dock. No overnight parking.
- Kayak racks – get your \$25 sticker at the Membership table.

JW NSB Store (Penny)

- Paula and Elaine have been amazing at getting whatever supplies they can get their hands on. Will open the 25th after beach clean-up.
- Tent sale 7/23 and NSB folks are welcome to sell their wares as well.

Wrap-up and Thank You (Penny)

- Bill Dynan reported on local politicians
- Charlie McCaffrey offered to present his findings on coastal storms, specifically related to NSB which is among the most vulnerable area in Falmouth. Penny thought it was a good idea and Charlie said he would reach out to her.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00am. Respectfully submitted by Casey Quirk

SUMMER KICK-OFF MEETING AGENDA

MAY 28, 2022 @ 10:00 AM
NSB TENNIS COURTS

President's Reports, Penny Fleming

- Welcome and 2022 Board Introductions
- NSB Beautification Projects
- Communications Board Member
- Security/Safety Report

Treasurer Report, Ron Fernandes

- 2022 Budget
- Financial Report

Membership Committee, Rich McCarthy

- Membership Status
- Membership Tables
- Pick Up at JW NSB Store

Grounds & Harbor Committee, Andy Doherty

- Beach Clean-Up – June 25
- Beach Raking Schedule

Beach Committee, Karen Kullen and Casey Quirk

- Beach Activities
- Swim Lessons
- Lifeguards and Beach Monitor

Activities & Events, Sarah Maxwell and Kelly Strain

- Planned Events

Movies, Beth Murphy

- Planned Movies

JW NSB Store, Elaine Beckett

- Store Events