

2021 Fall Silver Beach Member's Meeting Agenda

Saturday, September 11, 2021

10 am

On the Beach by Volleyball Court

President's Opening Remarks

Pete Detmering called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for those who perished on 9/11 and Members who passed this year.

Pete then called up Bay Beach Trustee Fred Manuel who is leaving the board after many years. Fred was the driving force behind the rebuild of the Bay Beach and its playground after Sandy. Pete presented Fred with a Silver Beach Jacket and a special gift, a chair to replace the one Pete crushed at the Spring Meeting. Bill Bosland will be assuming the Bay Beach position.

Pete then went on to explain the proposed By-Law change, which is intended to allow family members to participate in voting and/or the EC upon written consent of the Member. After minor wording changes, proposed by Arnie Morris, the By-Law change was approved. A copy of the final version is attached.

Pete then discussed the tragic accident at the end of the season in Seaside Park, where a young lifeguard perished with a lightning strike. Pete stressed that lightning on the beach is no laughing matter. Any Member or renter who refuses to leave the beach will lose their beach privileges. The EC has requested Toms River to install lightning detection rods along the north beaches. Toms River agreed to look into it. If Toms River does not install by next season, the EC will pursue portable units.

Pete then commended the wonderful job Betsy Goor did on both the BBQ and Family Day.

Pete then went on to thank the Braen family for allowing the Association to use their property to store the wave runner/mule and allowing the guards to park.

Pete then called up Secretary Janet Doremus, who is stepping down after 17 years of service. He presented her with a personalized wind chime as a memento of her service. Karen Larkin will be assuming the Secretary position.

Pete also mentioned we will be looking into purchasing a better PA system for meetings and events, like Family Day.

Pete reminded members who rent to inform their tenants that ONLY Silver Beach badges are valid on our beach; Lavallette badges will not be accepted. Pete also reminded members who rent to inform their tenants they are not permitted to bring pets. Pete asked that the Secretary inform the local brokers of this policy at the start of next season.

Secretary's Report – there was no Secretary's Report. Minutes from the Spring Meeting are attached to these.

Ocean Beach Report

Jeff Bailey explained that Toms River is responsible for grading and maintaining the ocean beach.

Jeff mentioned that the mats were extended to the streets and some minor grading was done to make it easier to get on/off the beach, particularly with wheelchairs and scooters.

Jeff went on to say, like most businesses, we had difficulty hiring guards this year. One potential guard took a job at Gringos for more money and certainly a less strenuous job. As a result, we have examined our salary structure and increased

salaries across the board, in order to stay competitive. In addition, they were paid a bonus this year and will be paid for the lunch breaks next year if they stay on the beach. This has been built into the '22 budget.

Jeff also mentioned that his term of office is up next year and he does not intend to continue. He suggested that the By-laws be modified to impose term limits on EC members, to encourage more people to take part in the management of the Association. This will be presented to the membership in the Spring. Pete Detmering also stated his term is up next year and he does not intend to continue. So we will be in need of 2 people to take over the Presidency and Ocean Beach. Anyone who is interested should submit their name to the EC to be placed on the slate.

Bay Beach Report

Pete reported that the Bay Beach is in good shape. This fall, a retaining wall will be built to the west of the dune grass in an effort to contain the sand that blows on to Rt35 in the off season. In addition, the roof of the old shed has been replaced and the bulkheads will be recapped with Trex.

Insurance Committee Report

Manny Alvarez had a family commitment; Pete reported that all our insurance is in place; however, we budgeted for a 20% increase in premium for '22, which seems to be the trend

Entertainment Committee Report

Betsy Goor reported on the BBQ and Family Day events. Unfortunately, 25 families signed up for the BBQ and did not show up; this resulted in a loss for the Association. Family Day was very successful and managed to recoup some of the loss. However, in the future, people will be asked to pay up front for all events. Overall, the Entertainment Committee managed to make a profit, when you factor in the donations that were made at the beginning of the season.

Betsy also mentioned that one of the winners (Nikki Coleman) of the 50/50 gave back \$100 of her winnings to the Association. Thank you for your generosity, Nikki!

Tennis/Pickleball Committee Report

Patsy Robinson reported on the Tennis/Pickleball club. They had a good year (72 members). She expects to have the court resurfaced in the Spring; estimated cost is \$10k, which will be pulled from the tennis reserve.

Patsy also mentioned that 3 of the benches for the bump-outs arrived damaged; she expects the replacement parts next week.

Community Improvement Report

Karen Kosch report on the activities and plans of the Community Improvement Committee:

- One lending library boxes was installed at the Bay Beach; this was well received.
- Four of the six benches at the street ends for allow people to clean their feet when leaving the beach were constructed and installed by Bill Bosland; two more benches are being manufactured and will be installed soon. Many thanks to Bill for taking on this project.
- The Committee has received estimates from 2 landscapers for improvements to the entrances.
- The Committee is pursuing shade solutions at the Bay
- See also – Bay Beach Report above

Federation of Beaches Meeting Report/Toms River Meeting Report – no report

Elections

Janet presented the Slate of Candidates:
Officers

Treasurer – Andrea Greco

Secretary – Karen Larkin

Trustees

Bay Beach – Bill Bosland

Entertainment – Betsy Goor

Community Improvement – Karen Kosch

Insurance – Manny Alvarez

Since there were no other candidates, she asked for ratification. The Slate was approved. An updated EC List is attached.

Treasurer's Report/ Presentation of 2022 Budget

Andrea Greco discussed changes to the financials that were distributed; the income from badge sales increased to \$49k, up from \$44k due to Gabby's diligence, Bill Bosland built 4 backless benches for 4 street entrances (\$2k) and he also repaired the bay beach shed (\$2.8k), which was taken from Capital Expense.

The budget was approved as proposed.

Finance Committee Report

Brian Kirkpatrick went over the Capital Reserve schedule (attached). He also discussed the increase in costs resulting from wage inflation on the barrier island which caused Silver Beach to be short on lifeguards and an increase in next years budget. Also discussed was the new cost of a handyman to help clean and improve the facilities.

Old Business – there was no old business

New Business

Joe Kennedy asked if there were plans to bolt the benches or move them from bump-in the off season; Patsy responded, she felt the weight of the benches makes bolting unnecessary, but if the family who donated them wants to move them, they may.

Close of Meeting