

**SEABROOK BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT  
MEETING MINUTES  
March 11, 2019**

**PRESENT** Dick Maguire, Joe Giuffre, Don Hawkins, Steve Keaney, Mike Rurak

**ABSENT** None

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. Dick Maguire led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC HEARING ON 2019 SBVD WARRANT**

Dick Maguire opened the public hearing at 7:02 PM and read each of the 2019 SBVD warrant articles. He then reviewed the 2019 proposed budget of \$84,750 and explained changes from prior year's budget and spending. After reviewing the warrant he asked the audience if there were any questions. There were none. The public hearing was closed at 7:10 PM.

**MEETING WITH BILL AND CAROL HOWLEY**

Bill and Carol Howley requested time at the commissioner's meeting to present a proposal (attached) to improve safety on Seabrook Beach by installing Life Ring Cabinets and Ring Buoy Stations at the end of each pathway to the beach. Each cabinet would contain a life saving buoy and rope for use in an emergency. The total cost of the proposal was estimated at \$12,000. They recommended a committee be established to identify the most appropriate equipment, secure funding and submit the proposal the Seabrook Selectmen. They were told there is still time to submit a petition warrant article if they can get 25 registered voters in the district to sign the petition. The last date is 3/19/2019. If the district votes to approve the funds at the Annual Meeting the Selectmen still have to approve placing the stations on the beach. A lengthy discussion followed with many in the room expressing their opinion on whether this proposal has merit and if it can be done legally and without subjecting the Town to increased liability. Bill Howley said he thought the committee would have to do research on the cost of increased liability insurance and investigate any deed restrictions that may prohibit installation of the units.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Minutes of the February 11, 2019 meeting were distributed and reviewed.

**Motion to accept Secretary's Report:  
Motion seconded:  
Motion passed by voice vote.**

**Joe Giuffre  
Dick Maguire**

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Mike Rurak reported the February 2019 current period, YTD and PY financial figures.

2019	January	YTD	Prior YTD
Fee Income	\$ 1,140	\$ 2,620	\$ 4,885
Rental Income	2,318	4,606	4,608
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>3,458</b>	<b>7,226</b>	<b>9,493</b>
Total Expenses	3,665	7,536	7,046
Net Ordinary Income	(207)	(310)	2,447
Total Interest Income	414	871	387
Other Expense	-	-	-
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>561</b>	<b>2,834</b>

Total cash in the SBVD checking and saving accounts was \$347,065 at the end of February 2019 vs. \$319,896 at the end of February 2018.

- February revenues included \$1,140 fee income, \$2,318 rental income totaling \$3,458 with expenses of \$3,665 and interest income of \$414. The resulting net income was \$207
- YTD fee income is \$2,620, rental income is \$4,606 and expenses are \$7,536. YTD net income is \$561.
- Compared to prior year permit fees are down \$2,265, rental income is the same, ordinary expenses are up \$489, interest income is up \$484 and NI is down \$2,272 for the year.
- Mike handed out a document with the current CD rates. After a brief discussion the commissioners decided to renew the expiring CD for 90 days at 2.15%.

**Motion to renew expiring CD for 90 days at 2.15%.**

**Joe Giuffre**

**Motion seconded:**

**Don Hawkins**

**Motion passed unanimously by voice vote**

- Mike handed out the 2019 MS-737 and MS 535 budget reports that have to be filed with the DES.
- The commissioners were given the monthly disbursement approval forms and bank statements for their review and approval.
- Dick Maguire told the audience the financial reports were available for review after the meeting.

**Motion to accept Treasurer's Report:**

**Don Hawkins**

**Motion seconded:**

**Joe Giuffre**

**Motion passed unanimously by voice vote**

## **BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT**

Steve Keaney reported:

- Building activity is picking up. There are a lot of dumpsters around the beach where construction is being done. Steve expects a busy summer.
- The first house in the district being built on stilts is going up on Ocean Drive. There is no flood insurance requirement to put the house on stilts but the owner has chosen to do it anyway. The house is in the VE zone when the new maps are implemented and raising it will not change the flood insurance cost.
- There is no ZBA meeting scheduled for March.
- 2019 will be an off year for rental inspections. Steve completed initial inspections of all the existing rental units from 2016 through 2018.
- Steve noted that housing prices in the district keep increasing. There is a small house on Ashland Street that is under agreement for \$850,000.

**Motion to accept Building Inspector's Report:     Joe Giuffre**  
**Motion seconded:   Don Hawkins**  
**Motion passed unanimously by voice vote**

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **A. Update on Rental units in the Precinct Building for 2019 season.**

Joe Giuffre said the owners of the scooter store would be back in 2019 but the Market has decided to move to a location on Rt. 1 in Hampton. They have moved almost everything out of the store. The remainder of their belongings including the Rhino propane container has to be gone by April 1st.

### **B. Update on proposed "steps" for pedestrian safety in SBVD**

Don Hawkins said the commissioners met for the second time with the Seabrook Police to discuss pedestrian safety at the beach. Hawkins reviewed some of the proposals discussed at the first meeting including speed bumps, cross walks, electric speed signs and others. The officers proposed using stop signs rather than other alternatives because it would limit car speed by forcing drivers to stop and restart and enforcement would be easier than with other methods. At the second meeting the Chief showed us where the signs would be placed. There would be a total of nine locations, four on Atlantic Ave, three on Portsmouth Ave and one on Ocean Drive. The signs would be left in place only during the summer season. The commissioners agreed to discuss the proposal at a future commissioner's meeting and get back to the police with our comments. An audience member thought a stop sign should be added at the end of Hookset Street.

**NEW BUSINESS**   - None

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

- Dick Maguire said he anticipates a meeting with the TM to discuss the dredging project with people who own beach front property.
- Theresa Kyle urged everyone to vote yes on the police locker warrant article.
- Dick Maguire will post the Warrant on 4/9/2019
- Don Hawkins will meet with the Town Clerk to get addresses for the warrant mailing. Hawkins will identify a company to print, address and mail the warrant to SBVD voters.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

The next SBVD Commissioners meeting will be held on Monday, April 8, 2019 at 7:00 PM in the district building.

Submitted by,

Don Hawkins