

**SEABROOK BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT
MEETING MINUTES
November 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.

SECRETARY’S REPORT

Minutes of the October 14, 2019 meeting were distributed and reviewed. The minutes were approved by voice vote.

TREASURER’S REPORT

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

| 2019 | October | YTD | Prior YTD |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Fee Income | \$ 32,499 | \$ 67,710 | \$ 38,420 |
| Rental Income | 1,850 | 15,812 | 23,416 |
| Total Income | 34,349 | 83,522 | 61,836 |
| Total Expenses | 5,707 | 46,093 | 38,557 |
| Net Ordinary Income | 28,642 | 37,429 | 23,279 |
| Total Interest Income | 439 | 4,916 | 3,349 |
| Other Expense | - | 5,578 | 10,000 |
| Net Income | 29,081 | 36,767 | 16,628 |

- Total cash in the SBVD checking and saving accounts was \$384,858 at the end of October 2019 vs. \$333,613 at the end of October 2018.
- October revenues included \$32,499 fee income and \$1,850 rental income totaling \$34,349 with expenses of \$5,707 and interest income of \$439. The resulting net income was \$29,081. The jump in fee income is from the number of new houses permitted in October. The rental income includes the first month for the Ride the Wave.
- YTD fee income is \$67,710, rental income is \$15,812 and expenses are \$46,093. YTD net income is \$36,767.
- Compared to prior year, fees are up \$ 29,290, rental income is down \$7,614, ordinary expenses are up \$14,160 and interest income is up \$1,567. NI is up \$20,140 for the year.

- 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:
Motion seconded:
Motion passed unanimously by voice vote

Don Hawkins
Joe Giuffre

BUILDING INSPECTOR’S REPORT

Steve Keaney reported:

- The fall has been very busy with a total of seven new houses, four on Atlantic Ave, two on Bristol Street and one on Ocean Drive.
- The bulk of the fee income in October came from just three new houses on Atlantic Ave.
- The building boom may continue through the end of the year.
- There is one ZBA case set for November. Owners of a house on Ocean Drive want to add a deck extending into the setback.
- The new FEMA flood maps are now expected in the first quarter of 2020. No explanation has been given for the continuing delays which have extended over 2 years.
- The SBVD building codes have been updated to the 2015 International Building Code which was recently adopted by the State of New Hampshire.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Development of 2020 SBVD proposed budget

- Dick Maguire said the TM extended the deadline for the 2020 budget until November.
- Dick passed out a copy of the 2019 budget with recommended changes for 2020 based on spending to date in 2019. The commissioners reviewed each line of the budget and agreed on a total for each line item.
- The final 2020 budget total is \$89,950 (attached) compared to \$84,750 in 2019.
- The new budget includes a line item for Beach Safety of \$9,500. This amount is the balance of the 2019 Warrant Article for Beach Safety Equipment which could not be carried over to 2020 because of the way the warrant article was written.

B. Update on dredging of Seabrook/Hampton harbor

- Dick Maguire said the dredging project was well ahead of schedule and was expected to be completed before the end of the year.
- There is a crew of 16 men working 24 hours a day 7 days a week to complete the project.
- Sand has been placed on Seabrook beach from Ashland Street south to Hookset Street.

- The project is going very well with no issues reported to the Town.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Action dealing with stop signs in the SBVD at 11/4/19 meeting of the Seabrook Board of Selectmen.

- Dick Maguire reviewed the discussions and decisions made at the 11/4/2019 BOS meeting. There were 15-20 beach residents who attended the meeting
- After a comment period where beach residents talked about the pros and cons for having the stop signs installed at the beginning of the summer the BOS made the following decisions.
 - The signs will remain in place year round.
 - White lines will be painted on the road at each sign to improve driver awareness of the signs.
 - The Seabrook PD will investigate the issue of cars parking along the road obscuring the signs. The chief will recommend parking restrictions where necessary to ensure the signs remain visible.
 - The PD will review the need for adding signs in the winter on Atlantic Ave heading south. In the summer the traffic is one way heading north.
 - The Seabrook DPW will ensure that bushes are cut back to allow drivers better view of the signs.

B. Meeting of the SBVD Planning Board with Julie LaBranche, Senior Planner of the Rockingham Planning Commission 11/6/2019

Don Hawkins explained a proposal made by Julie LaBranche of the RPC to audit the SBVD Zoning, Site Plan and Sub-division regulations for compliance with the recently implemented MS-4 regulations. The MS-4 regulations were issued by the EPA and both the Town of Seabrook and the SBVD must bring their land use regulations into compliance with the EPA rules. The Town of Seabrook is responsible for compliance with the MS-4 regulations but the SBVD is required to comply as well. Hawkins explained the cost to the district would be zero but action is required by the PB and the voters if zoning regulations are changed. The audit is a service provided by the RPC to its member towns. Ms. LaBranche expects the review of SBVD land use regulations to be completed in January 2020, in time for the annual meeting.

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OTHER BUSINESS

- Dick Maguire read a press release (attached) from the Seabrook BOS announcing the 2019 Seabrook property tax rate of \$15.75 down \$0.50 from the 2019 rate of \$16.25. The press release explained the impact on home owners from the change in billing for water and sewer; the impact of the continuing decline in the NextEra power plant valuation; the impact of using \$750,000 from the fund balance to keep the tax rate down; and the impact from the 2019 revaluation of residential property to maintain valuations in the 90% to 100% of fair market value.

- Joe Giuffre said some of the beach safety signs were being damaged by storms and may have to be wrapped in plastic to protect them over the winter.
- Theresa Kyle said the veteran's property tax exemption has been increased from \$500 to \$750. The BOS also accepted a \$200,000 land donation

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

The next SBVD Commissioners meeting will be held on Monday, December 9, 2019 at 7:00 PM in the district building.

Submitted by,

Don Hawkins