

IVBA Spring Meeting June 9, 2024

Quorum was fulfilled with 23 families represented

President's welcome and report:

Gretchen Lunsford made her introduction as the new interim president. Elections will be completed in the fall for all Executive board and Officers.

A \$250 gift card to Pasta Vita was given to Ed Potanka upon his resignation, with thanks for his dedicated service as IVBA President for many years.

Summer reminders: renters must rent for no fewer than two weeks. Get septic tanks pumped and paperwork into town, no major outdoor construction in July and August.

Gretchen created posters for rental properties, to post to renters, which include our IVBA rules.

Charter revision. Charter is very old, revision is a very involved process. Trying to decide if it is worth it. We can easily make changes to bylaws which have not been revised in 20 yrs. Executive committee is looking into this. Flyers handed out highlighting basic rules to follow.

Updates:

Vice President report - Tony Cozza

Updated town happenings:

1.8% mill rate increase

DOT will be working to redeck the Singing Bridge. Trying to push the work into Nov-to April of 2026-2027 as it will involve closing the road. Talk of what to do with septic system for town center. If center residents are in favor, town selectmen will bring it to a hearing and a vote.

Town food drive July 13. Tony will collect on July 12 or you can give a check to Garrett Smith made out to Shoreline Soup Kitchen and Pantries.

Council of Beaches report - Cindy Howard

6/29 Blessing of the Fleet 10-12 am. Duck Island

7/13 Food Drive

COB donation to Eagle Scout \$500 scholarship

President of COB gets water testing report every 2 weeks. Our water has good ratings.

Watercraft stickers available. All watercraft on beach must have one. Any without tags will be removed.

Coastal Resiliency- Group is creating modeling of shoreline projections for 2050-2070. Meetings will be available to attend this summer with town and consultants.

Information can be found at their website: www.westbrookcouncilofbeaches.org

New IVBA member, Ann Cole joined COB as secretary.

Treasurer's Report - Jim Delldonna

All taxes were paid last year. Taxes are due August 1 this year.

Assets this year are \$89,000, this is less than last year due to three major projects completed including beach gate and beach clean up of excessive trees and debris from storms.

Monies are invested in 3 separate accounts and earning approx..5% interest in each

Committee Updates:

Social : Lynn Abraham reported.

Welcome back social attended by about 50 people. All went well. Upcoming dates:

July 4- Breakfast and Parade-rain or shine

July 6- Junior Olympics for kids- run by Amanda Marino

July 20 or 27- Movie on the Beach- organized by Brian and Bonnie Clampet

Aug.3- Dinner and Beach Party- DJ and food by Chow Restaurant

Aug. 24- End of summer Beach Party- Pot Luck

Committee is looking for chairpersons to host each event. Sandy D. has volunteered to help.

Beach Committee: Steve Smith

Beach has been plowed by Grove Gardens this year at less cost. We will continue to use beach guards when available on the weekends from 10am to 4pm. If carrying beach chairs to the beach and back, please use your IVBA orange beach tags. People choosing to leave chairs (Max.2) along the fence, please REMOVE IVBA tags so they are not stolen. If you need tags see Neil.

Steve is looking for help to put the buoys in the water. Contact him directly.

Maintenance Committee: Jeff Plocharczyk

Jeff and Jim D. have replaced old fence boards. New shower head was replaced on foot wash. Will take care of maintenance on as needed basis. Let Gretchen know if you see something that needs to be repaired.

Beautification Committee:

Neil has retired from the board as chair of beautification committee.

All plantings on beach and in triangle have been taken care of. We have a new wooden boarder around plantings on beach.

New Business

Gretchen spoke about an interest survey that she sent out to all IVBA members to illicit feedback on who might be interested in becoming involved in the different committee work and ways we keep IVBA running. We are also looking at succession planning.

Nominations: Lynn Abraham

We are an organization of volunteers and are interested in having many hands involved in the care of our IVB association. We encourage all members to fill out the surveys indication areas of interest for now or future involvement. We will take nominations within the next month and put together a slate to vote on during the August 24th meeting.

Elections will take place at the end of the season meeting.

*Note-End of season meeting has been moved to **Saturday** , August 24th 10:15 am

Treasurer- Jim Delldonna

Costs were over budget by approximately \$7000 this year due to the expenses of the following approved items:

The beach gate

Beach plowing to clean up trees and debris from storms

Replacement of rotting timbers

The Budget Proposal for this year is \$32,044.

Vote to accept the budget passes.

Member questions regarding the need for a new beach rules sign. Will address this.

Observation that some people are walking around the gate in the plantings to circumvent gate. New beach rose bushes will be planted to address this.

Gate keypad has jammed a couple of times. Give time to reset if wrong numbers punched. Will monitor this.

Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by:

Deb Delldonna

IVBA Secretary