

## **Bay View Improvement Association**

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P.O. Box 3653, Milford, CT 06460

### **Bay View Board of Governor's Meeting**

**May 20, 2024 – 55 Bayshore Dr, Milford, CT - 7:00 p.m.**

**Roll Call**, Board Members: Elizabeth Schildgen (Chair), Teresa Sirico (Vice-Chair), Lynn Ryczer, Logan Beirne, Kevin Gilbert, Tammy Mursko, Treasurer took the minutes in the absence of Dotti Arcovitch, Secretary.

Meeting called to order 7:01 pm

#### **Reading of the Minutes of April 22, 2024:**

Elizabeth Schildgen asked for a motion to accept the minutes

Teresa Sirico made the motion

Logan Beirne seconded the motion

All in favor – motion passed

#### **Report of the Chair:**

Large lifeguard stand needs to be moved. Two bids received for fence on Warren side. Reliable \$1942.00 and Jason Babcock \$350.00, can repair and remove old one. Fence repair to come out of hurricane funding. Kevin also asked about a galvanized chain link fence with black coating. Elizabeth Schildgen said, no, it would have to be brought up at the annual meeting.

Motion: hire Jason Babcock at \$350.00, call Jason to verify what price entails, no more than \$500.00 total.

Kevin Gilbert made the motion

Teresa Sirico 2<sup>nd</sup>

All in favor – motion passed

Elizabeth – deliver the dumpster early in case volunteers rake the sticks and debris on the beach, they can use the dumpster.

Motion: have dumpster delivered early

Kevin Gilbert made the motion

Logan Beirne 2<sup>nd</sup>

All in favor – motion passed

Elizabeth thanked Bob Wortman, Suzanne Lussier and all the other volunteers for the beautiful plantings at the entrance of Odell. Some storm related information – Point Beach, association since 1925, because of the sea wall damage to their beach the cost to repair is \$70,000. We should purchase stamps for the annual meeting mailing prior to the July increase.

## **Report of the Clerk:**

Absent

## **Report of the Treasurer:**

YTD budget was reviewed.

## **Old Business:**

Lifeguard – Elizabeth Walsh passed the lifeguard test.

Peter Derosé submitted an application to become a lifeguard.

Motion: Elizabeth asked for a motion to hire Peter Derosé as a lifeguard.

Teresa Sirico made the motion

Logan Berine 2nd

All in favor, motion passed

Motion: to pay half of the cost of the lifesaving certificate at the end of the season.

Teresa Sirico made the motion

Kevin Gilbert 2nd

All in favor, motion passed

Motion: to hire police for July 4<sup>th</sup> from 5:45 – 10:15 pm

Lynn Ryczer made the motion

Kevin Gilbert 2<sup>nd</sup>

All in favor, motion passed

## **New Business:**

Steve Ryczer and volunteers will put out handicapped mat. Steve will also fix the lifeguard stand hinge.

Kevin Gilbert will stain the two boat racks and put in buoys.

Elizabeth Schildgen asked for a volunteer to run movies on the green with our equipment.

Kevin Gilbert viewed the beach with Devin Santa, Race Coastal Engineering who stated relatively speaking we have a nice beach, it is rather protected, that is why we are not experiencing much erosion. Any sand that is moved will be gone in a year. To do a major sand restoration it would be in the millions. Let the sand lie, that way the water will not go on the street. Do not touch the sand at the fence, you will only do harm, as it acts as a sand barrier, natural dune to protect the road. By clearing the walkways, we are creating a waterway. Kevin is waiting documentation. Kevin suggested covering the walkways and put permanent decking (platform, ramp) on the sand for beach goers to walk on. Maybe Stash can fill in the sidewalks with sand.

Logan Beirne spoke to Professor Gaboury Benoit, Environmental Chemistry at Yale University.

Environmentally you are fighting a losing battle. By clearing the walkways, you are creating a channel for water accessibility. Create a bump to catch the water. Do what you can with vegetation.

Teresa Sirico stated Steve from the city will rake the beach, 2 inches down and will move rocks to the back of the beach.

Motion: Utilize the city to rack the beach.

Kevin Gilbert made the motion

Lynn Ryczer 2<sup>nd</sup>

All in favor – motion passed

**Public Session:**

Suzanne Lussier – her niece is a civil engineer, she will get recommendations. The boat racks and anchors on the beach are damaging our own vegetation. Can we move the boat racks? We should plant, transplant and setup partial dune fencing in selected areas of the beach. You can find information on the Silver Sand State Park website.

Bob Wortman stated we should be investing in plantings. We had many volunteers at the beach cleanup, we can continue to weed and plant with volunteers.

Suzanne Lussier stated the Silver Sands website tells you what plantings to buy.

Kevin Gilbert suggested joining the landscaping committee and get ahold of Ahuva Munzer.

Bob Wortman said he would connect with people to volunteer and talk to Ahuva.

Elizabeth Schildgen will add the moving of the boat racks and fencing to annual meeting agenda.

**Motion to Adjourn:**

Elizabeth Schildgen asked for a motion to adjourn

Logan Beirne made the motion

Teresa Sirico 2<sup>nd</sup>

All in favor

Meeting adjourned 8:22 p.m.