SEABROOK BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES July 14, 2014

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

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 June 9, 2014 meeting were distributed and reviewed.

Motion to accept Secretary's Report:

Motion seconded:

Ted Xavier

Joe Giuffre

Motion passed by voice vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mike Rurak reviewed the treasurer's report for June 2014 including current period and YTD information.

2014	June		YTD		Prior YTD	
Total Income	\$	3,237	\$	16,852	\$	37,970
Total Expenses		6,909		27,893		19,381
Net Ordinary Income		(3,672)		(11,041)		18,589
Total Interest Income		30		183		1,204
Net Income		(3,642)		(10,858)		19,793

Total cash in the District checking and saving accounts was \$246,908 at the end of June 2014.

- June revenues were \$3,237 with expenses of \$6,909 and interest income of \$30 resulting in an operating loss on \$3,642. Revenue did include rental income of \$750. Expenses included the annual insurance payment of \$3,252.
- YTD revenues are \$16,852 with expenses of \$27,893 and interest income of \$183 resulting in a net loss of \$10,858. The expense growth from PY is primarily from legal notices and the one time insurance payment in June.
- Dick Maguire commented that it was not a great financial position after six months. The primary reason is the lower building permit fees in 2014 vs. 2013.
- 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:

Ted Xavier

Motion passed unanimously by voice vote

BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT

Steve Keaney reported:

- Last year's permit fees were very high. This year is more normal. No new houses have been permitted and Steve does not expect a boom for the balance of the year. There is one possible teardown and rebuild on Atlantic Ave that may start this fall. He noted that DES permits are taking longer to get which may have an impact on how soon the house can start. The number of permits issued this year is the same as last year but the dollar value is lower.
- Unitil installed a telephone pole on the east side of Ocean Drive when all other poles are on the west side. Steve called Unitil to complain and they said the existing pole has been compromised and cannot be safely installed in the same location. Joe Giuffre said he thought Unitil should have requested a variance, that they had other ways to secure the pole and could have put it back in the same location. Joe thought they took the easy fix. They should have consulted with the district. The district should not accept the location. Steve said Unitil is aware of the SBVD ordinance. Joe thought Steve should issue a cease and desist order on the electrical hookup. Steve said the NH RSA gives Unitil the right to put poles where ever they deem safe.
- Steve said he wrote a letter to a home owner on Ashland Street to move his boat from the front setback. The boat was moved. He also wrote a letter to move a mobile home from Portsmouth Ave. The vehicle was moved but is now back. The next step is to issue a fine to the owner. The SBVD attorney is writing the letter. Some renters are storing boats in the front setback. Steve is making some progress getting those moved.
- Some renters are putting trash out on Saturday. Please call Steve if this is happening on your street.
- Joe Giuffre asked about political signs that are starting to show up at the beach for the US Senate elections. The primary is not until September 9th so it is way too early to be seeing signs. Steve said he had to check on the law. Starting times are different for federal, state and local elections.
- Doris Sweet asked for the name of the new Seabrook Code Enforcement Officer. She said a property owner on the east side of Atlantic Ave is encroaching on town land for their own personal use. Steve said no one in town hall would say that was OK. The entire dune system is conservation land and no one is allowed to use it to build patios or anything else. Nothing can be built or maintained on town land. The DES does not even want grass planted unless it is dune grass. Steve requested that he be called whenever someone is encroaching on town property.

Motion to accept Building Inspector's Report:

Motion seconded:

Ted Xavier

Motion passed unanimously by voice vote

<u>OLD BUSINESS</u> –

A. Zoning Board of Adjustment membership 2014/2015

Sue Manzi is no longer a Seabrook resident so she can no longer serve on the SBVD ZBA.

B. Status of continued ZBA hearing re to appeal of Mr. Ira Stone.

Mr. Stone has requested a full board for his hearing. He has requested that Peter Harter not serve because of his relationship to the building inspector. Doris Sweet has recused herself from the case leaving the board short two members. The ZBA cannot assemble a full board without Harter. Dick Maguire did not think Stone had the authority to say Harter could not serve. Ted Xavier said the hearing should not take place until Stone files an application and pays the fee. Maguire said Stone was appealing an administrative decision by the Commissioners. Xavier said Stone should still make out an application and pay the fee. Maguire said he would check with the SBVD lawyer for an opinion and that there would not be a ZBA meeting Wednesday night.

C. Update on plover season 2014

Joe Giuffre said all symbolic yellow fences were down. No plover eggs survived from the original eight. The plover monitor believes the culprit may be a fox. Doris Sweet said she has never seen a fox in the dunes but there are a lot of unleashed dogs. The animal control officer does not work on weekends. Joe will ask how many tickets have been written for unleashed dogs. Joe also said the town has stopped raking the beach and has rigged the tractor to mow grass. It is not easy to switch from one use to another.

NEW BUSINESS –

A. Auditor's report for fiscal year 2013.

Jack Lannan submitted the annual Auditor's Report to the commissioners. There are no outstanding issues that need to be addressed.

Motion to accept the Audit Report Joe Giuffre Motion Seconded Ted Xavier

Motion passed unanimously by voice vote

B. Request from Seabrook Police to use the district building for annual DWI road block on RT 1A.

Dick Maguire said the Seabrook Police have requested the use of the district building for the annual DWI road block scheduled for Saturday July 19, 2014. A second road block may be scheduled in August. Dick will give the OK to the Seabrook Police.

C. Report from town hall in re parking regulations at Seabrook Beach.

Dick Maguire talked to the police chief and Kelly O'Connor to get feedback about the new parking regulations. This year 700 placards were issued compared to 1400 last year. Property owners who registered cars in Seabrook got one placard plus one town sticker for each car registered. Property owners who do not register cars in Seabrook got two placards per house. There have been minimal complaints turned in at town hall and to the police. The parking lot on Rt. 1A is getting very little use. There have been only 30-40 temporary permits issued. Dick thought the new regulations were working well. Jack Lannan asked if there would be a review at the end of the season. Dick said yes but it is not yet scheduled. Lannan thought the only issue was that legal two family houses should get one permit per unit not one per house.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Joe Giuffre asked Dick Maguire if he had asked the town manager Bill Manzi about who is responsible for zoning enforcement on town land. Manzi agreed the town should be responsible for enforcement on town land. Manzi said the building inspector took a new job in another town and that the position is currently being filled with a temp. Manzi acknowledged that the issue was difficult and would not go away.
- Joe Giuffre said the AC unit in the rental space was not working. The current maintenance company was not being responsive so Joe thought the district should switch to Simmons. They charge \$132 per call vs. \$400 per call for McKenzie.
- Jack Lannan thought the second rubbish pick-up should start the Thursday before the July 4th holiday not the Thursday after the holiday as was done this year. Too much trash accumulates by waiting until after the 4th.

The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by,

Don Hawkins