

Harbor View Association – General Meeting Minutes August 26, 2018

The general meeting commenced at 11:02 AM by Bill Greim, HVA President.

July Meeting Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the July 21st HVA General Meeting minutes. The motion was seconded and approved by all.

President’s Report: (Bill Greim)

Bill reported that he has received additional complaints regarding rule breaking – including a letter from several residents near North Beach. The BoD is committed to doing more to raise awareness of the rules that the association approved.

Bill also reported that there was concern regarding people of jetty #2 during last night’s fireworks. They were acting dangerously and using vulgar language. Bill asked members to remind their guests of the HVA rules and regulations.

Bill reported that 2018 dues payments are behind last year and asked owners who have not yet paid to do so. Jetty contributions are up and attributes some to the new combined dues/jetty form. Fund raising will still be needed.

Bill expressed special thanks to Dana Skidmore for hosting our first HVA Nature Walk. The event had ~ 30 participants and was a great success.

Treasurer’s Report: (Chris Psillas)

Chris reported the following HVA account balances:

- Checking: \$25,200
- Savings: \$17,300
- Jetty: \$23,300

MIGS are at 76% with 167 members paid. 82% was the 2017 MIGs

Approx \$400 in HVA magnet sales have been received. Additional magnets are available for sales today. All funds collected will go to the jetty fund.

Chris reported that the new combined form appears to be aiding in jetty contributions.

Secretary’s Report: (Christine Marotta)

All General meeting minutes are posted to the website as are the approved BOD meeting minutes.

Social Committee: (Christine Marotta)

Christine seconded Bill’s comments on the Nature Walk by Dana Skidmore. Participants learned a lot about the life in and around the waters of HVA. The Social Committee would also like to pass a huge thanks to Dana and hope that we can repeat the event next year with a larger crowd.

The “year-end” party is scheduled for next Saturday - September 1st at 5:30 PM (North Beach). The HVA Social Committee is investigating the provision of Bill’s famous clam chowder. Watch e-mail for updates and confirmation.

New Business:

DRAFT – Pending Review/Approval

Fundraising: Cathy Weiss reported that she and Seth will be participating in an exhibit in Mystic with proceeds to be donated to HVA. Cathy is also doing a solo exhibit at the Madison Arts Center. Cathy is trying to pull together an “HVA Night” in September.

Parking on Hammock Parkway: a member inquired as to parking on the Hammock Parkway green. Bill confirmed that this is town-owned land. HVA (nor residents) cannot grant nor restrict access to this property. Bill cautioned members on involving the town/police as this could raise awareness and result in an overall no parking area – which would hurt many residents on Hammock who have limited parking on their own properties. Bill suggested using the HVA car magnets as a means of identifying HVA resident and guest cars.

Parking on Uncas Road: a member reported that cars parked on Uncas are a hazard – especially when near cross streets such as Center. Another member reported that the cars parked on Uncas may be aiding in slowing people down as there are still occasions of fast/hazardous driving. A member reported that they have spoken to the Clinton Police and as long as there is sufficient access for emergency vehicles there is no “law” being broken. Bill suggested that as a courtesy to others (esp walkers) that if space allows to park on own property where/when possible.

Bike Path: a member reported that there was recently an article on this topic in the Clinton Patch referencing that the bike path has been approved by the Board of Selectman over to Clinton Town Beach. HVA is identified as a “proposed/pending” route. Bill reported that HVA has raised “safety issues” regarding such a proposal due to small and congested roads. Bill plans to attend future meetings and encouraged homeowners and members to do so also. A member suggested that HVA contact the land owner for the parcel between HVA and the Town Beach and Bill reported that he has spoken to the owner in the past. It was also suggested that HVA consider purchasing such land if possible. A member suggested connecting with other nearby beach associations that might also be impacted by the bike path proposal. Bill reported that HVA is a member of the Clinton Council of Assns and expects similar opposition from these organizations as well.

Ball Playing on Beach: a member reported that she collected 14 balls on her property over the course of 2 days of ball playing earlier this summer. She expressed concern about safety. She appealed to the home owners to obey the rules and reinforce these with their families and visitors. Bill confirmed that the BOD agreed to include the Beach Rules with the Spring Mailing. Christine reported that the Beach Rules in a post able format were recently sent to the HVA e-mail list with encouragement to all to post and share – especially with visitors and renters. A member suggested that residents impacted attempt to reconcile with the violators or their parents – or call the police as needed. Bill reminded everyone to respect the rules and respect others.

Vandalism on Shore Grove: a member reported recent vandalism on Shore Grove. She encouraged residents to call the police if they see anything suspicious.

The HVA general meeting was concluded at 11:52 AM.

Submitted by Christine Marotta.

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