

Harbor View Association – General Meeting Minutes

June 25, 2023

The general meeting was called to order at 10:09 AM by Bill Greim, HVA President.

Introduction of Board of Directors and Officers:

Bill Greim introduced himself and the present officers and BOD members.

Determination of Quorum:

Per the HVA By Laws, a quorum is required for approval of the proposed 2023 budget. A quorum was met as more than 10 Members in Good Standing (MIGS) were present and signed in for the Annual Meeting,

September 2022 Meeting Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the September 3, 2022 HVA General Meeting minutes. The motion was seconded and approved by all.

President's Report: (Bill Greim)

Bill recognized and introduced the HVA Officers and HVA BOD.

Bill reported that we have returned to the 3-year term for BOD members and have 3 up for re-election this year – in addition to President and Vice President.

Tracey Miller-Lamontagne was recognized and thanked for her taking on the beach maintenance coordination. Our contractor is Grove Gardens.

A Rock Party was held a few weeks back and thanks to the 15+ neighbors that came out to support. Within an hour, the small-medium rocks had been returned to the jetties. Special thanks to Dave B for his hard work/efforts with some of the larger rocks 😊

The application for a Maintenance Permit has been submitted. The DEEP maintenance permit has been received and we are now awaiting the Army Corp of Engineers approval. After this a final filing with the town will be needed.

Bill noted that in reviewing last year's MIGS list that 100% of South Parkway had paid ! The dues collected support a host of expenses including but not limited to maintenance, insurance and the great social activities.

Bill reminded everyone to please SLOW DOWN and obey the posted speed limits. A discussion ensued regarding speeding and wrong-way driving on Hammock – see NEW BUSINESS for notes/actions.

All were reminded that we have posted and approved Beach Rules and ask for everyone's compliance for the courtesy of nearby neighbors.

Bill mentioned the Year End party and that we'd like to have some live music as we did back in 2021. If anyone has a local musician that we can reach out to, please contact Bill or the association directly. This would need to be minimal electrical requirements (i.e. simple amp and not a full blown sound system/board as electrical power at the beach is reliant on our neighbors).

Finally, Bill thanked folks for reaching out to the Board and encouraged people to continue to do so.

Treasurer's Report: (Chris Psillas)

Chris reported that 2022 ended with 82% MIGS. The 2022 budget year will end with +\$3,150 (underspent vs planned budget). This was mainly in the Beach Maintenance line item.

2023 YTD (year just started) is at 42% MIGs, \$3,055 in jetty maintenance donations and \$700 in Savings/Reserve contributions.

The 2023 proposed budget is \$25,920 vs 2022 which was \$25,050. The increase is mainly attributed to an increase in the Social Committee budget as well as the Unbudgeted line item.

A motion was made to approve the proposed budget, seconded and approved unanimously.

Chris presented the following current balances:

- Jetty: \$20,197
- Checking: \$32,831
- Savings/Reserves: \$19,204

Member Liaison Report: (Tracey M-L)

Tracey reported that there have been 7 property transactions since our last meeting in 2022. New owners who were present were recognized.

Tracey reported that there is presently one home for sale/pending – on Hammock Parkway.

Secretary's Report: (Christine M)

Christine reported that there have been some issues with our Gmail/Google contacts. If you had previously but are now not receiving HVA emails, please reach out and let us know. Email is the primary means of communication – on association issues and events.

Social Committee: (Christine M)

Christine recognized some of the Social Committee members present. A special thanks to Mellisa and Michael W who supported last evening's first June movie night and will support the remaining two in July & August.

The current 2023 social calendar is posted on the HVA website and includes the following events:

- July 4th Parade (next weekend so watch for email!!)
- 2 more Movie Nights
- Craft Day
- Nature Walk (special thanks to Dana S!!)
- Wine/Beer and Apps (for adults)
- Year-End Party

Anyone interested in joining, helping or has an idea for an event is encouraged to contact us via the HVA website (www.hvact.org)

Election of Officers and BOD:

Bill Greim was re-elected President – no opposed.

Phil Biondi was re-elected Vice President – no opposed.

Cheryl Smith was re-elected to the BOD – no opposed.

Jim Robertson was re-elected to the BOD – no opposed.

Dan Legg was re-elected to the BOD – no opposed.

Anyone interested in a future board or officer position is encouraged to reach out.

Old Business:

No pending old business to address.

New Business:

During the President's address a neighbor mentioned speeding on Hammock Parkway. They contacted the police and inquired about different solutions. Due to limited confirmed issues and calls from neighbors, there is little the police can/will do. The neighbor encouraged folks to contact Clinton Police with similar issues. They had requested additional police presence, which has been noticed. An additional neighbor mentioned the recent accident at Kelsey/Uncas, as well as the frequency of people running the stop sign at East & Uncas.

Bill confirmed that we petitioned to the town several years ago to get the speed limit reduced and signs posted, and the Assn also added the Little Green Men. Both have helped but are not a 100% solution. The options of digital speeding signs and removable speed bumps were discussed.

An additional neighbor mentioned several instances of wrong way drivers on Hammock Parkway, and another member seconded this issue.

All owners are encouraged to ensure they, their guests and renters obey the road rules within HVA.

- A petition to the Clinton Police to take some additional actions was proposed and a smaller committee will need to be formed to draft something that members could sign.

A neighbor mentioned the use of personal home security cameras – these may help provide supporting evidence.

A neighbor mentioned how great the beaches look – especially Center Beach which was non-existent many years ago. Special thanks to Bill for all his hard work in coordinating the Jetty/Beach project and to Tracey who is our main contact/coordinator with Grove Gardens.

A neighbor mentioned the recent water quality report issued where Clinton Beaches was given an A-rating, which is quite good.

Bill G reminded people to not dump any brush or yard waste into our surrounding marshes as this can cause significant issues.

A neighbor reminded folks to lock their cars as there was recent suspicious activity on Kelsey Rd (and other neighborhood streets).

The HVA general meeting was concluded at 11:01 AM.

Submitted by Christine Marotta.

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