

**MINUTES**  
**General Meeting of the SPIA**  
**August 13, 2017**

The meeting commenced at 9:43 on August 13, 2016. Charlie Cormay called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

**1. Approval of Minutes**

First order of business was approval of the Minutes from the June General Meeting. Motion made, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion, approved unanimously.

**2. Donation**

Dave Cowan donated to pictures to SPIA. There will be a silent auction of the pictures at the picnic. Thank you.

**3. Budget**

The budget is in excellent shape. Through 8/13 we had \$39,000 in dues. We are ahead of budget. Expenses are well below budget in part because we did not build the additional kayak rack. Expenses included \$15,000 for Insurance, \$3700 for security, \$1200 for tents and \$500 for taxes. We should end up in the high 60,000 range. We are continuing to add to the surplus for emergencies.

68.8% of residents paid dues. 161 homes donated an average amount of \$201.54. We budget for 170 homes. Therefore, this is a polite reminder to pay your dues if you have not done so. The percentage contribution by avenue and streets breaks down as follows:

- 1 – Third Ave – 77.8%
- 2 – Cross Streets – 76%
- 3 – Seventh Ave – 74.1%
- 4 – Second Ave – 72.2%
- 5 – Sixth Ave – 65.9%
- 6 – First Ave – 63.6%
- 7 – Fourth Ave – 63%
- 8 – Fifth Ave – 62.5%

Dan is happy to answer any questions you may have.

#### **4. Infrastructure**

The light on the post was switched to face the road. We did receive a Certificate of Analysis which is a test for effluents. The EPA method allows for 114 parts per million of effluent. Every test we have had has been less than 2. The Roadway is looking sparse so we may need to do a new coating of stone next spring. There was discussion of irrigation on the grass at the beach. Right now it is being mowed. The Conservation Commission does not allow fertilizer unless it is natural. We would have to do some research and get estimates to consider fertilizer.

#### **5. Activities**

The Parade was a huge success. Thank you to all for the help. There was also a book exchange. There were a few people who came. There will be another one September 1.

For the picnic tonight, there will be singing! Set up begins at 5pm and food will be served by 5:30pm because it is dark by 8. At 6:45 there will be a magic show. There will also be an ALS Ice Bucket Challenge. Summer came and went so fast. Thank you to Denise for all the Facebook postings.

#### **6. Other Business**

*Mangy Fox* - There is a fox with mange running around the Aves. He is frequently on Fifth Ave by the sprinklers. They may be heading to the farm across Craigville Beach Road.

*Osprey Nest* – They have capped the phone pole to move the Osprey away from high voltage. Rob Quinlan offered his property as a possible nesting spot. The pole where they moved the light from has no high voltage and no phone lines. Could put in a new pole and platform. They nest in the tallest location they can find. There was a Motion to allow movement of the pole for the Osprey. 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion made, Unanimous Approval. As we were discussing the Osprey it came right over to the pole for everyone at the meeting to see!

*Dogs at the Beach* – There was a woman at the beach with a dog and a resident explained the dog policy to her and the woman told the dog to bit her. Her license plate was taken and we will have a letter sent. If this happens again, take a picture with your phone. Last year the dog policy sign was stolen. We can send an email blast about the dog policy and let them know animal control will be called. We could also do magnets with the rules or saying “Please be kind to the environment” as a friendly reminder of the rules.

*Kite Surfing* – The kite surfers are coming in much closer. We approved a sign but there are two problems – we don’t control the water and there are no rules for kite surfing in Barnstable. One day there was a drone following a kite surfer making an ad for the kite surfing. We could put in a sign that says “No Kite Surfing.” We can also call the kite

surfing association and ask them to pass along the feedback. This is a Cape-wide problem. We can call and complain to the Harbormaster. The National Seashore has banned kite-surfing. We have not seen kite surfers in our parking lot.

*Gate* – Discussion about an electric gate – would that violate the terms of the trust? We could have a double gate for winter and remove one for summer. We would have to walk around to figure out where exactly the gate could go.

*Halls Creek* – Nothing new.

People noted they were thankful Charlie was President and were glad he had two more years!

Move to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion made, unanimous approval.

Respectfully Submitted,

Maryann Luongo