White Horse Beach Association

Meeting Minutes

8/23/2014

Membership meeting was held at 9 Abington Avenue, White Horse Beach, MA

Meeting was called to order at 10:05am by Philip Powell, Interim President

The interim board of directors was introduced:  
 Phil Powell, President  
 Paul MacDonald, Vice President  
 Dick Sayers, Treasurer  
 Linda Burgess, Secretary

Dick Sayers, interim treasurer, presented the current treasurer’s report and explained expenditures and revenues by categories and events in detail. Dick explained the upcoming expenses. A member asked what the insurance covers and it was explained that it is a liability insurance for the WHBA.

Treasurer’s report was accepted by the membership.

It was explained the interim board was pending. Phil asked for nominations for any positions. There were no nominees. The interim board was officially voted as the new board of directors.

Discussion of Old Business:  
Bylaws changes were explained and approved. There is a copy on the website as well as some hardcopies available.

The insurance policy is in effect until July, 2015. The corporation paperwork has been filed at the state.

Phil thanked everyone for making the summer events successful, as well as thanking the old board for making the transition easy.

The following was discussed:

Volunteers and ideas needed for the social calendar, reach out to Linda Burgess  
The calendar of events will be published before the June 2015 meeting-new ideas and volunteers needed  
Stair plaques are being researched. More information will be available on the website or Facebook  
Working on getting the stairs removed for winter

The old business was voted on and accepted by the membership.

Discussion of new business:  
There are five At-large positions, currently held by Paul Duseau, John Donohue, Denise Smigliani, Skipper Smith, Jim McNamara. Phil will discuss terms and details with them.

A question on how many members there are. Currently there are approximately 100 paying members. A canvas was done for new membership, with approximately 200 flyers handed out.

Phil explained that any fundraisers can be specified for where the funds go to, ie: social, stairs, operating funds. All fundraisers are done under the auspice of the WHBA, we need to know when and where they are so we can insure the event.

John Vacha reported that funds from the Night at the races were $1600 and that these funds were to go to the social fund.

The question of how the funds from the membership dues are allocated to the stair fund. Dick explained that all dues are currently in the operating budget. After next July, we will address the allocating to the stair fund due to the fact that we need to build up the accounts for a year or so to allow for some fund accumulation.

Kevin Kelleher offered to create a new membership form to include a specific line item for additional contributions.

The following was discussed:

How do we determine the dates of the events? We need to use the tide charts and assess other events. It was requested that the sandcastle contest take place in July next year.  
  
Are the stairs covered under the insurance policy in the event that are damaged? No, the hazard insurance was not affordable.

Is there a date for the next meeting? No, we will determine the date in the near future.

New business was voted on and accepted by the membership.

Meeting adjourned at 10:36am.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Burgess  
Secretary