

WIA OPENING MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 22, 2024

At the beach

President Karen Simula called the meeting to order at 10:04 am. There were 19 members in attendance; no quorum.

Treasurer's Report given by Joan Dobbins. The balance sheet was provided. The Association has \$45,453 in the savings account, \$10,221 in the mooring account, \$5,804 in the Beach Restoration account and \$1,069 in the checking account. Since last August, the Association paid out \$9,986 for expenses including raft and dock removal, porta potty, fall clean up, electricity, insurance, parking lot repairs, etc. The (separate) Mooring account paid out \$3,964 for expenses including mooring equipment repair/replacement, removal for the winter.

Diane (via Joan) suggests we buy a new grill since the existing one is in bad shape. Karen volunteered to purchase one.

Diane (via Joan) also reminds people who pay their dues with Paypal to include the transaction fee. Joan explained that we will look into alternative methods of dues payment including Venmo, Zelle, Apple Cash and association membership software that has embedded payment capabilities. More at the Closing Meeting.

Mooring Report given by Bruce Couture. The Mooring "Wait List" was provided. The equipment on Moorings #1, 4, and 9 was completely replaced with stainless steel hardware at a cost of \$1800 per mooring.

- NOTE (10:07 AM) – TWO MORE MEMBERS HAVE SIGNED IN; WE HAVE A QUORUM.

The anchors were examined and found to be in good position.

The Mooring Committee will be tasked with two things: updating a Temporary Mooring request list; and replacing the hardware on all the moorings over time.

Dock was installed at a slight angle due to the shifting of rocks in the lake bed. Tony asks if we will be repairing the mooring (corner) field lights. Discussion of where to purchase them followed.

Secretary's Report given by Karen Simula. Last August's Closing Meeting Minutes were provided. Karen asked if there were any questions, corrections or amendments. Tony asked if we were going to approve them now and Karen stated 'yes.' There were no further questions. Motion to approve made by Noreen Logan, seconded by Bruce Couture, All in favor.

Regarding the mailing of the Annual Newsletter, 230 letters were mailed out, 28 were returned with incorrect addresses. As of this meeting, 99 paid memberships, plus 4 lakefront contributions. Karen asked that people provide their permanent mailing addresses so the Mailing list can be kept up-to-date. Noreen Logan stated that when she served as Secretary, she accessed a public website called VGSI to see

owners' addresses. We also asked attendees to write their address on the sign-in sheet today. In order to reach the most people, we will also place documents such as Newsletter, dues page, minutes, and announcements on the web site maintained by Chris Stevens. www.WIAbeach.com

President's Report by Karen Simula. She requested a moment of silence for Association members and members of their families who have passed away in the last 10 months: Donna Bramhall, Deb Rogowicz and Paul Mansour's mother.

The date of the WIA Annual Cookout had to be changed from August 3rd to August 17th. We will put this on the website and on the door of the shed. Julie Mansour and Maureen Couture have volunteered to oversee this event again.

Thank you to Chris Stevens for his work maintaining our website; Dave and Tony for starting up the hose pump, Bruce for all his work with moorings, All Points and Chris Dyer for keeping the beach lot in good repair, Kris Bean and his boys for summer beach raking.

Karen remarked that "illegal" golf carts are being stopped by the Bridgewater police. There is nothing she can do about it. People who want more information should contact the police department or ask Will Fullerton who has purchased a kit, registered the cart and made it "street legal."

Reminder that the Beach rules state dogs can play on the beach after 7 pm. We installed a poop bag station – there is no excuse for leaving poop on the ground. Also, there is often garbage (cans, diapers, cigarette butts) and personal items (towels, shirts, flip flops). Pick up after yourself!!

Since we have a quorum, we asked for a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Motion made by Noreen, seconded by Bruce, and unanimously approved.

Remarks from members: Amy Stevens asks that we get a light on the flagpole as it is disrespectful to leave the American flag up in the dark. Discussion about location of the pole, lighting, where to buy equipment. Bruce said he would look into it.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Dobbins (in place of Tina Fullerton)