

**South Seaside Park Homeowners and Voters Ass.**

**General Meeting Aug 2016**

**Roll Call Absent Arlene and Bob Nora and Bob Schwartz**

**Meeting** began with an opening prayer and Pledge of Allegience.

**Kim Bellfar from Save Barneget Bay Organization** spoke to our members about programs offered by the organization, ways organization is working to protect the bay, and workshop programs being offered to schools and organizations to help the bay and get people involved. One of the programs offered is the Barneget Bay Defenders Program which is in the schools. Some adult programs are the Barneget Bay Champions, Barneget Bay Stewards Programs, Community Gardens, and osprey projects by Ben Wurst. Information about one or all offerings can be found on their website.

**Minutes** from the July General Meeting were read and approved.

**Treasurer** Proposed budget for new year was read. Jim Fulcomer made a motion to approve and Jim Anderson gave the second, Motion carried.

**Communication Secretary-** Make sure your information is up to date. Members will be notified about the public portion of the hearings when our members can speak about their concerns. We will need many people out.

**Jim Fulcomer** stated that a concern of Berkeley was losing state aid if we leave, Their state aid should be greater, Berkeley has two Superintendents of schools and two transportation systems, consolidation of these would save approximately one million dollars.

**Don** reported that Berkeley again cancelled us out for the August Board meeting. Our attorney wrote a letter of protest to be read , it was not read at this meeting. We are moving ahead, but there are approximately 100 members who have not paid this years dues and commitment fee. We need people to call or make contact with about ten people each to gather this money and support. We also need volunteers to become directors and serve on the board.

**DISCUSSION**

Mort Tyse Midway Board does not want to be involved. Concerns that beach will not remain private.

Eddy from 21st Street asked about having private meetings with the planning board. We have checked into this, but Berkeley is not willing to give us our own

time.

There were questions arose about approaching Seaside Park and how the town feels about us. We cannot approach Seaside Park until our petition has been approved or denied by Berkeley. The feeling in town is favorable towards us.

Raffle of tomatoes was held and Tom Drew returned the 50/50. **Meeting Adjourned**