

HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE PRECINCT  
MEETING  
July 8, 2009

Present

Gary Kubik, Chairman & Commissioner  
Chuck Rage, Commissioner  
June White, Commissioner  
John Gebhart, Treasurer

Chairman Kubik called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Chairman Kubik introduced the members of the Board.

**Sand Castle Wrap Up**

Greg Grady said this was a great year for this event. The weather was a big problem, but everything still went well. Mr. Grady thanked Maureen Buckley for the good work done by the volunteers. The lights from Unitil were a great success. Mr. Grady said he is going to ask Brian Warburton if they can be left up all year. Mr. Grady thanked Brian and his people, the Police and Fire Departments, and the Chamber of Commerce for helping to make this event a success.

Mr. Grady said he is already planning for next year and has ideas to cut the budget by approximately \$15,000.

Chairman Kubik thanked Mr. Grady for an outstanding job.

**Entertainment Report**

Jack Knox said the numbers were great this year for the sand castle awards presentation. He said Mr. Grady did a spectacular job.

Mr. Knox said during weather like we have been having, the bands will call and ask what to do. The answer is to show up. People will attend even in inclement weather. If the weather should make it impossible to perform, the bands will still get paid.

**Marketing Report**

Mr. Kane reported on the first Monday Night at the Movies. He said it was a success.

The Little Red Wagon will be presented on July 21<sup>st</sup> and August 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. This is geared towards children. The fifth Annual Idol Competition is coming up

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and applications can be obtained at the Chamber or at HamptonBeach.org. Children's Week will be August 17<sup>th</sup> through August 22<sup>nd</sup>.

The Miss Hampton Beach pageant will be the last Sunday of July.

Commissioner Rage asked about signage for movie night. Mr. Kane said there is signage and it will change every week to reflect what movie is being shown.

Chairman Kubik said he had talked to Brian Warburton and it is specified in the contract that everything related to movie night is to be off the beach by 10:00 p.m. Brian said he would change that to 11:00 p.m. Therefore the movie needs to end by 10:45 p.m.

Maureen Buckley asked if the movie would interfere with the band or the band with the movie. Chairman Kubik said there would be no interference.

Chairman Kubik asked about advertising in a China Town newspaper. Mr. Kane said he will follow up on this.

### **Beautification**

Linda Gebhart said she wanted to extend a thank you to the new owners of Marguerite for letting the Beautification Committee recycle two urns. The Committee also recycled two bushes of holly and a rosebush from Linda DeJardin.

Geannina Scanlan reported on the Garden and Floral Display Contest sponsored by the Beautification Committee and the Hampton Garden Club. Applications to participate must be turned in by July 17<sup>th</sup> and can be obtained at the Chamber, Town Hall, Library, Beach Fire Station and HamptonBlooms.com. There are five categories: 1) Residential Curb Appeal; 2) Business Curb Appeal; 3) Community or Neighborhood Curb Appeal; 4) Porch, Patio or Deck Open to Public View; and 5) Window Boxes/Containers Open to Public View. There will be awards for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place for the Beach and the same for Hampton. There are five judges. Two are master gardeners from UNH, one is a state rep from Hampton and one is a landscaper. If there are any questions, call Linda Gebhart or Betty Moore.

Ms. Scanlan said the Recycling Committee is working to get some signs made to promote recycling at the beach and in town.

Ms. Scanlan said Governor Lynch will be here on July 27<sup>th</sup> for the ceremonial signing granting monies for the beach project. This will take place at the Casino from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Commissioner Rage said that the restaurants will be donating appetizers, etc.

for this event. Commissioner Rage said John Nyhan deserves a lot of credit for his work getting this project through.

Ms. Scanlan said the Rain Garden demonstration will be held on August 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **Old Business**

Commissioner Rage said work is being done on the playground.

Commissioner White said work is being done on the Harvest Moon Festival which will be held on October 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>. Carol Eastman will see if she can recruit fishermen for a parade of boats. Commissioner White said she is hoping for fireworks on the Saturday night as well.

Chairman Kubik asked about the banner for L Street. Commissioner White said she has the replacement banner and will need to obtain a bucket truck to install it.

### **Hampton Municipal Budget Committee**

Mary-Louise Woolsey, Chairman of the Hampton Municipal Budget Committee, came forward. She commended John Nyhan on the beach project.

Ms. Woolsey said in 1954 the voters chose to put the Town under the Municipal Budget Act which means the Budget Committee actually sets the budget. This has worked very well. This Committee is the largest elected board in the town. There are 12 elected members and 3 appointed members (Selectman, School and Precinct). While the appointed members are not held to any attendance standard, they provide a conduit for the Committee. The Committee is able to address their concerns to these appointed members and they, in turn, can go back to address these with their own board. Ms. Woolsey said the Committee really needs representation from the Precinct. The Precinct also has a big stake in what happens in the Town.

Ms. Woolsey said there is a concern regarding fire protection for the people who live at the beach. The ladder truck and ambulance are uptown. Ms. Woolsey said Chief Chris Silver is talented and working very hard to solve these problems. He has a good chance to actually pull these things together and come up with a plan that will have public support. Ms. Woolsey said everyone has to work together on this and get behind the Chief.

Chairman Kubik thanked Ms. Woolsey for her presentation and said every effort would be made to have a Precinct representative at the Budget Committee meetings.

### **New Business**

Commissioner White said she was very surprised when she heard that a Budget Committee member said that it could be five years before there was a new fire station at the beach. She was under the impression that both stations were moving along at the same rate. If five years is correct, there is a lot that needs to be repaired at the present station and the Town should be asked for money to do that.

Commissioner White said another problem is the infrastructure. She said she spoke to Town Manager Welch and he said money is not available. This should be addressed. Another problem is the lighting for the lettered streets. Commissioner White said these three issues need to be addressed.

Chairman Kubik said he was very disappointed in the fireworks on July 4<sup>th</sup>. Warren said weather might have been the cause of the problem or possibly a computer glitch. Warren is still looking into it and has promised a spectacular display this Friday.

Commissioner Rage said the crowd was well contained on July 4<sup>th</sup>. The police did a great job.

Chairman Kubik read a very complimentary article about Hampton Beach from the *Triple A Times*.

Chairman Kubik said inquiries about the status of fireworks should go to 926-SHOW. Do not call the Chamber or the fire station. This can also be seen on Channel 22.

### **Public Comment**

Richard Reniere, 29 Highland Avenue, said Jack Knox is doing a fantastic job with the shows. The enthusiasm is wonderful to see.

### **Approval of Minutes**

**Moved** by Commissioner White, seconded by Commissioner Rage, to approve the Minutes of May 13, 2009.

**Vote:** 3-0-0. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

**Moved** by Commissioner Rage, seconded by Commissioner White, to approve the Minutes of June 10, 2009.

**Vote:** 3-0-0. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

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**Closing Comments**

There were no closing comments.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, Commissioner Rage **moved**, seconded by Commissioner White, that the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Rice  
Secretary