

**HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE PRECINCT
MEETING
March 9, 2011**

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 with a roll call.

Chairman Kubik introduced Bruce Theriault who is running for Precinct Commissioner and Robert Kivlan who is running for Precinct Clerk.

Entertainment

Glenn French, Entertainment Coordinator, said he has been putting the entertainment program together. He is suspending bookings until a firm decision has been made on the temporary stage configuration. Mr. French said he has seen the stage plan and believes it is workable.

Mr. French asked the Commissioners to include in any plans parking for the events and also parking for the entertainers. Logistics for the Miss Hampton Beach Pageant must also be addressed. Commissioner Rage said all plans are coming along well.

Marketing Update

John Kane, Marketing Director, showed an example of a publication for Canada and also the final proof of the brochure. The production date for the brochure is March 23rd. Bumper stickers will also be available on that date. Mr. Kane thanked the Sea Ketch Restaurant for allowing the camera to be put on their awning.

Beautification

Linda Gebhart said she will be taking the seeds to the science teacher at Winnacunnet this week for their class project. Many of the lilac bushes were bent due to snow. However, it appears the majority are okay.

Ms. Gebhart said 12 of the banners are missing. This apparently happened over the weekend of the foot race. Ms. Gebhart asked for the return of the banners if anyone knows their location.

Ms. Gebhart discussed fliers regarding the establishment of butterfly gardens. These fliers will be available at the Lane Library and at the Chamber of Commerce.

Old Business

Commissioner Rage said he had met with the Hampton Beach Area Commission and the Chamber and discussed sponsorships for the stage. It was agreed that any money coming in from the sponsorships that isn't used for the stage will come back to the Precinct.

New Business

Commissioner White reminded everyone that filings for exemption on taxes must be in by April 1st.

Chairman Kubik congratulated Michael Pierce on his election as Selectman.

Richard Reniere, Moderator, said the Annual Meeting is scheduled to take place on Friday, March 25th, at 7:00 p.m. at the Fire Station. The Supervisor of the Checklist will be present on March 19th for registrations. You can also register on the day of the election from 12:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Mr. Reniere emphasized that only Precinct residents can take part in this election. March 25th at 5:00 p.m. is the deadline for absentee ballots.

Public Comment

Tim Jones, 16 Dustin Avenue, discussed web statistics. He said he would like to see statistics on unique visitors for each web page monthly. Commissioner Rage said it would be necessary to find out the associated cost for publishing this information on a monthly basis. Chairman Kubik asked Mr. Kane to research the possible cost.

Mr. Jones said openness in the conduct of public business is essential. He said every citizen has the right to inspect all public records and the Precinct must produce these if requested to do so. Mr. Jones said he would request the Precinct to produce for inspection as described in RSA Chapter 91-A:4 all documents relating to the adoption of RSA Chapter 52 for the Hampton Beach Village District. Mr. Jones said in accordance with RSA Chapter 91-A:4, this request requires a response within five business days and may be made to him via email.

Mr. Jones asked about the funding for the temporary stage. Commissioner Rage responded that the State is putting in \$15,000 and the Precinct is putting in \$15,000. Seasonal and weekly sponsors are also being sought. The sponsorships will be subtracted from the \$15,000 owed by the Precinct.

Mr. Jones suggested capitalizing on the presidential primary by scheduling a corresponding event such as a civic activity with fireworks.

Geannina Guzman-Scanlan said she had asked the State about their approval of the temporary stage and was told that the cost would be between \$30,000 and \$35,000. She said she asked where the extra \$5,000 would come from if needed and the response was sponsorships. Ms. Scanlan said she felt it was important that voters are aware there is a possibility of an overrun that will eat into the sponsorship funds.

Approval of Minutes

Moved by Commissioner Rage, seconded by Chairman Kubik, to approve the Minutes of February 9, 2011.

Vote: 2-0-0. Motion passed unanimously.

Closing Comments

Chairman Kubik thanked June White for her service as Commissioner, John Gebhart for his service as Treasurer and Linda Gebhart for her service as Clerk.

Adjournment

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

Vote: 2-0-0. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Rice
Secretary