



Hampton Beach Area Commission

Hampton Beach Area Commission Meeting Minutes – September 22, 2005 Hampton Beach Village Precinct Hall

In Attendance:

Jim Workman, Chairman – Town of Hampton
Fred Rice, Secretary/Treasurer – Town of Hampton
Michael O’Neil – Hampton Beach Village District
Skip Windemiller – Hampton Beach Village District
Doug DePorter –NH Department of Transportation
Brian Warburton - DRED (Seacoast Parks & Rec)
Warren Bambury – Rockingham Regional Planning Commission
Jamie Steffen – Town Planner, Town of Hampton (Administrative)
Betty Gagne - Seacoast Parks & Rec (Administrative)

Absent:

Tom Higgins – Hampton Area Chamber of Commerce
Allison McLean - DRED
Sandrine Thibault –Office of Energy and Planning

Jim first introduced Betty Gagne (administrative support) and Jamie Steffen. He advised Jamie that the annual report is due October 1st and invited comments from the attendees regarding any needed changes in the report. Michael O’Neil suggested that the first line in the report should have “through the State of New Hampshire” added to it before the line containing Department of Resources and Economic Development. The motion was moved by Fred Rice and seconded by Skip Windemiller. Once the report is finished, it will be distributed by Jamie Steffen.

Meetings for the upcoming year: Next meeting is planned for October 27th, and the elections for slate of officers, including chairman, vice-chairman, secretary and treasurer will be held at the meeting. Warren Bambury asked if we could possibly meet on the 4th Thursday of the month, and that’s why the meeting was scheduled for the 27th instead of the 20th. Mike O’Neil said that John Kane will attend the next meeting in his place, as they will be alternating meetings.

There was some general discussion on the state park museum project; some possible fund raising ideas were discussed. Brian Warburton said the area at the Hampton Beach State Park offers beautiful views of the seacoast. Legislature is going through a park study at this time.

Fred Rice asked whether the Commission should mail out agendas and meeting minutes to private individuals. After discussion of various options, it was decided that Beach Commission agendas and minutes should be posted in the same manner as all other boards and commissions in Hampton, i.e., at Town Hall, at the Lane Library and at the Beach Precinct (Beach Fire Station).

Distribution to State agencies would be done in accordance with normal distribution procedures, as determined by Allison McLean. Mike O'Neil suggested that additional copies of minutes be made available at the town Planning Office and at a state facility to be designated by Allison. Dates and times of upcoming meetings will also be posted on Town and State web sites to make this information more available to the public.

The Commission will review development plans by request. Mike O'Neil said he'd like to have DOT attend the next meeting and talk about the newly proposed Hampton bridge. He suggested putting an article in the zoning ordinances that says projects within the geographic boundary of Hampton Village District must come before the commission.

Fred suggested he, Jamie, Skip and Kevin Shultz get together and review the zoning ordinances and potential changes. The meeting adjourned at 7:59 pm. Mike O'Neil made the motion to adjourn, and Brian Warburton seconded it.

- Respectfully submitted by Betty Gagne