

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF WARDEN AND BURGESSES
FRIDAY, JULY 7, 2017 AT 4PM AT 4 NIBANG AVENUE, FENWICK, CT.**

Present: Warden Newt Brainard, Frank Keeney, Jonathan Gengras, Arthur Wright, Peter Brainard, Jr., David Savin, Pam Christensen, Robert Gay, ZEO Marilyn Ozols.

Others Present: Peter Brainard Sr., Bill Webster, Jessica Gay, JD Rehm, Daryl Aresco.

The Warden called the Meeting to Order at 4:03 PM.

The Floor was opened for Public Comment. Bill Webster spoke to the nesting of Piping Plovers at Long Beach and the DEEP has marked the eggs. These birds are on the endangered list.

**A Motion was made by Frank Keeney seconded by Jonathan Gengras to approve the Burgess Meeting Minutes from June 16, 2017 as presented.
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

General Manager's Report

Larry DeBlasiis was not present at the meeting but provided his Report to the Burgesses.

Park Monitor- Chuck Mercer started working July 4th weekend. Comments in the Community were both positive and negative. The consensus at the table was that Residents should introduce themselves to him so he knows who you are and that the Burgesses should make time to get to know him and introduce him to the Community as well. Many non residents were on the Beach over the weekend and the majority were fine when asked to leave.

It was reported that on Friday night golf carts were driven through the sand traps and an unregistered fire (children) was on Long Beach. The Warden will address both issues in the Warden's letter next month and remind the community of the role of the Park Monitor.

4 Nibang- Unfortunately, at the arrival of the Meeting it was discovered that there is a broken pipe which left puddles inside the Building. The electrical upgrades have been completed and the handicapped accessibility upgrades will be done in the Fall. In addition, the LPLT has issued the Borough a Citation of illegal dumping behind 4 Nibang. The Borough has thirty days to respond. Frank Keeney and Daryl Aresco are going to fill out the application and work with the LPLT to accommodate the requirements under the easement on this property. The Warden will contact Campbell Hudson to inquire whether there is a possibility to amend the easement to allow for the organic dumping as there is no other area in the Borough to collect organic debris.

Living Seashore Project- As noted previously, the Hepburn Dune is the more vulnerable Dune and will be repaired first. The RFP's for engineering services have gone out, one has returned. Bill Webster talked to one of the firms bidding and they indicated there would be a reduced fee if the engineering for the Sequassen Dune was done at the same time as the Hepburn Dune.

Treasurer's Report

Bob Gay reported that the end of the year deficit is \$36,000. He noted that this past year clearly was an example of what a seasonal business the golf course is and how dependent revenues are on the weather.

Board Reports

Planning and Zoning- No Meeting.

FIF- Arthur Wright reported they had a meeting this morning. Officers for the coming year are as follows: President: Edie Gengras; Vice President /Secretary: JD Rehm; Treasurer: Cindy Patterson;

Edie Gengras and Bill Webster were reappointed for three year terms and Laurie Goldsmith was appointed as a new Member. They discussed priorities for the upcoming year and will continue with their annual fundraising drive.

Harbor Management- No Meeting.

Park Commission- Frank Keeney reported that they met earlier in the week. He shared the LPLT citation letter and asked the members of the Commission to review the current fee structure of the Parklands to see if there are any opportunities to increase revenue.

ZBA- No Meeting.

HDC- ZEO Marilyn Ozols will make the Reports to the Board as no Burgess is on the Historic District. The next meeting is Saturday. She also indicated that since the Living Seashore Committee is a formal municipal committee, it is required to keep an Agenda and Minutes.

Warden's Report

The Warden reported that he met with Carl Fortuna and that he is interested in the Borough and the Town working together and possibly sharing services. The Burgesses discussed that the Warden should also inquire whether the Town will share the information obtained from the Coastal Resilience Study and that Old Saybrook excluded the Borough from participating in with the Borough.

The Warden reappointed to ZBA; Martha Staniford- Member to 2022 and Rebecca Renshaw –Alternate 2022

Discussion of Borough Office Options

The Burgesses discussed different options available to the Borough Office given the retirement of Larry DeBlasiis. The Warden, Arthur Wright and Jonathan Gengras are going to meet with the present office staff and report back at the next meeting what information they gathered concerning job objectives and opportunities for the new employee to fill and how the office should be organized.

Other Business

David Savin asked the current state of the lot located near the Maintenance Building. He understood that there is a possibility that the lot could be sold. The Warden will follow up with Campbell Hudson to see what options are available to the Borough and the LPLT to initiate the possibility of a sale.

NEXT MEETING: Friday, July 21, 2017 at 4 PM.

Being no further business, a Motion was made by Frank Keeney, seconded by Jonathan Gengras to close the Meeting at 6:05 PM, and passed unanimously

Respectfully Submitted,

Julie G. LeBlanc, Clerk