

Holly Point Beach and Tennis Association
Annual Meeting
June 23, 2019

The meeting was called to order by President Alan Horvitz at 1:00 PM. All members present introduced themselves. The minutes of last year's meeting were read and accepted.

The **Board of Directors** was proposed by Alan and passed unanimously. The board members are Alan Horvitz, Paul Cullotta, Jim and Joyce Nadeau, Frank Cuphone, Rick Shakalis, Amy Thomas, Sharon Schulkind, and Diane Verschure.

The **Treasurer's report** was distributed by Diane Verschure and discussed. Diane suggested that the dues be increased in order for the Association to create a reserve fund. Amy Thomas reported that 52 households have paid dues so far. She will follow up with potential members who have not sent in their dues. Alan explained that Amy has been diligent about sending out dues notices by email and snail mail.

Some **cost savings** ideas were discussed. Rick Shakalis suggested evaluating the current insurance policies and possibly raising the deductibles in order to decrease the premiums. Alan discussed the landscaping expenses and suggested that members volunteer to do some of this work. Maria Golden suggested that members could make donations to defray the maintenance expenses. Diane made a motion that on next year's dues notices, members be requested to pay a \$25 **voluntary donation** for the beach cleanup expenses. This would be in addition to the \$100 dues.

Alan spoke about the boulders that were installed by the Town of Barnstable at the **Huckins Neck ramp**. This is to prevent the launching of power boats and Jet Skis.

Paul Cullotta gave the **beach report**. He thanked Paul and Susan Rosie for installing a new kayak rack, and the volunteers who cleaned up the beach. A new step has been created at the entrance to the beach. There is currently a problem with cyanobacteria blooms at the beach.

The status of the water quality can be checked at

https://townofbarnstable.us/Departments/healthdivision/Health_Notices/Beach-Status--Water-Quality.pdf?tm=6/24/2019%2010:00:39%20PM

And <https://apcc.org/cyano/>

These links will be put on the Holly Point Association website. Barnstable has recently increased the frequency of water quality testing and communicating the result. Alan spoke about being careful about the chemicals, herbicides, and pesticides that are put on our properties. These all affect the Lake Wequaquet water quality.

Judy Berry reported on the **tennis courts**. She thanked Todd Wilson for cleaning them up. In response to a suggestion at last year's meeting, she researched the cost of adding Pickle Ball

markings to one of the courts. It would be \$1000 to have it done professionally, or \$160 for a template and paint if volunteers do it. It was decided to postpone doing either of these options because of minimal interest in our members playing Pickle Ball. Amy Thomas suggested getting an estimate on repairing the crack on the left hand court. Jim Nadeau stressed that only members should know the combination of the tennis court gate lock.

Alan spoke about the great loss of **Roger Bodley** to our community. A bench at the beach has been donated in his memory. Rick Shakalis spoke about how much the association learned from and benefitted from Roger's wisdom.

Alan thanked Amy Thomas and Sharon Schulkind for their work on Membership and shopping for the barbeque.

Alan asked for **volunteers to mow the grass** in front of the beach entrance and at the Holly Point sign. Amy Thomas and Darren Finch kindly volunteered.

Alan pointed out the new **swim buoy** near the dock. It is there for the safety of swimmers and is required by the town.

Diane Verschure spoke about the possibility of instituting new rules for assigning spots on the **kayak racks**. Everyone prefers bottom spots, but this isn't possible. She suggested that we charge a fee to reserve spots, and charge more for bottom spots. It was decided that the board will be given discretion to determine fees. Alan stated that all boats that are at the beach should have an identification sticker. These are available at the Barnstable Mooring office on Phinney's Lane. All boats should be removed at the end of the season.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 PM, and was followed by a delicious barbeque luncheon and lots of socializing.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Schulkind, Secretary