

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION OF ARUNDEL-ON-THE- BAY, TUESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2009, 7:00 P.M

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Board Chair David Delia at 7:05 p.m. In attendance were Board Members Marc Apter, Tim Hamilton, Helene McConnell, Joe Morrison and Roxanne Veal. Roy Gamble was absent (#2.) Association President Andy Grannell, Vice President John Moses, Secretary Pamela Duncan and Treasurer Becky Morris were present as were Alan Hinman, Co-Chair Planning and Development Committee; Roy Karten, Chair, Special Committee on Landscape Services, Mary Miller, Membership; Diane Sullivan, Pier and Boat Ramp and Phillip Allen, *The Pier*.

The minutes of the July 11, 2009 Board meeting were approved as written.

The President recommended that the gate at the boat ramp be locked. Restoring the gate should be included within the pier gate project. He read sections of a letter from Counsel Susan Ford stating the Association's right of non-exclusive maintenance of its roads, and responsibility for injuries resulting from poorly maintained roads. In discussion on the bollard at the Oyster Harbor and AOTB at Walnut and Cedar Streets, Marc Apter advocated that the Association make clear to Oyster Harbor that exit from AOTB through that space must be maintained for emergencies. Andy is to contact Oyster Harbor. Further Ford responded that AOTB has the obligation to mow along its streets and to remove dead limbs from trees. She noted that it is illegal to maintain 'noxious weeds or rank vegetation' and AOTB should contact the County Department of Public Works about vacant lots used as dumps. Access at the front entrance may not be restricted and all parking in AOTB is illegal unless on one's own property or on other property where permission has been given. Joe Morrison was appointed as Action Committee Chairperson to deal with issues such as abandoned boats and dead tree limbs.

The Treasurer reported total assets of \$68, 368.36 in the SCBD account; \$27,000 in the Shore Erosion Account and \$18,972.56 in the Contributions account.

In the area of security, the Board approved the installation of a gate at the pier with a key pad according to the design of Roy Karten and asked Roy to get an estimate for repair of the gate at the boat ramp. The key pad will be tried for one year and then be reevaluated to see if a lock and key system is needed. Andy is to get an estimate from Long Fence for the gate work as well. Sheriff Harris has been asked to increase his hours of patrol from 44 to 64 hours per month and requested times for patrol have been communicated. Joe Morrison reported that the Sheriff's drive-bys have been helpful. Mary Miller reported on design and cost for hang-tags. David moved that Mary obtain one hang tag, 2 stickers (either for inside the window or on the bumper) and 2 guest passes per household. The guess pass

would have the homeowner's name and telephone number. David, Andy, Roy and Mary are to work on the project and the tags to be distributed with a cover letter from Andy and a note placed in *The Pier* and on the web-site. Andy, Joe and David are to put up the signs.

Under the heading of other, Marc Apter presented the flyer for the August 29 community picnic and was authorized to spend up to \$2,000 on the event. Tim Hamilton reported on his research on spraying phragmites and is to have a final plan for the September Board meeting. Becky was authorized to get estimates for redoing landscaping at the entrance with natural grasses.

The Board decided based on the view in the Ford letter that in fact there is no legal parking anywhere in AOTB except on ones' own property or the property owned by others, given permission to part there. Exceptions to that rule will allow parking on the beach side of Magnolia and Narragansett, and other roads as needed, for AOTB special events and along the beach by those who have reserved it for an event. Parking at the pier will be ignored as it does not disturb residents that we know of and has been going on for some time. Those that park there will risk a parking ticket or endure the consequences of the Fire Department should it come to that.

David reported that the final copy of the Andrews Miller Shoreline Study was in hand and that he would prepare a briefing on the report for the community. Yvonne Leacock presented suggestions for amendment to the constitution in the area of elections; Andy will nominate an Elections Committee and Chairperson to be voted upon at the next general membership meeting and ask the Committee to prepare an amendment for consideration at the November Board meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela Duncan, Secretary, August 12, 2009.

Approved by the Board of Directors, September 8, 2009