

# **Minutes of the Board of Directors Property Owners Association of Arundel-on-the-Bay, Tuesday, March 10, 2009**

## **Attendees:**

Diane Sullivan, Monique Langston, Marc Apter, David Delia, Tim Hamilton, Roxanne Veal, Becky Morris, Andy Grannell, Phil Allen, Pamela Duncan, John Moses.

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Board Chair David Delia at 7:06 p.m.

Minutes from the January 15th meeting were reviewed and approved.

**President's Report:** There was no written report. Harvey indicated that he was waiting for legal advice on the gate issue before taking action on the matter.

## **Treasurer's Report**

Becky distributed the budget for review. There were no major concerns raised about the budget. Becky also announced that the second county check was received.

## **Request for budget:**

Andy reviewed the following:

- The costs for three Rally Receptacles (including "rigid reusable plastic liner") would be placed in near the beach pier and the playground. The purpose is to increase recycling. The costs for all three are \$2,107.42. Board Approved.
- Pet Pick-Up Mitt Dispenser for pet owners to use to pick up their pet's poop. Price is \$175 per station. The three locations would be the same. Board Approved.
- Replacement of the lifebuoy ring that was at the end of the pier. Cost is \$420 per ring. Board Approved.

## **Old Business :**

### **Duck Hunting Permit:**

Dave Delia continued his concern about duck hunters and restated the importance to have the permits as a way to reduce hunting (preferable eliminate).

### **Proposed Connector Path list:**

The following paths were noted and the Board agreed to make note in the minutes of these paths with no further action required at the time:

- Cedar to Cohasset to Newport
- Oak from Narragansett to Cohasset
- Myrtle from Narragansett to Cohasset
- Myrtle from Newport to Rockway
- Hollywood from Cohasset to Newport to Rockway

### **Roads/Proposed FD Drafting:**

Alan Hinman reviewed the drafting sites with county fire personnel and the recommendations from Chief Milton Harrod, retired Captain of Firefighters in Prince Georges County MD (see attached).

The work requires improving approximately seven sites to ensure a suitable substrate beneath a gravel surface. In most cases this means extending the current asphalt or gravel surfaces so the fire trucks can get close enough to the water to draft. Alan provided a detail description as well as one proposal from Carroll Bros. Contracting to provide the work for all sites. Included in the proposal was an option for installing gravel surface or a sod covered surface.

Harvey asked Alan to collect a second bid and before final approval of the contractor. Also, the BOD will review the proposed work and update the community at the next General Meeting.

A second discussion was the Fire Dept Water Tank which appeared not to be working. Alan was to see what the condition of the tank is and if repairable.

### **New Business:**

#### **Walnut Spraying:**

Tim Hamilton raised a request from his neighbors to permit the spraying of phragmites. Since there are mounting concerns about polluting the bay with poison (the herbicide used to spray is a toxin), the BOD decided against spraying. However, Harvey suggested cutting the plants. Board approved the cutting of the plants by one of our landscapers with the bill to be paid by the homeowner.

#### **Beach Beautification:**

Dr. Langston raised the interest in sprucing up the area. Dave offered to review plans with Roy Karten and asked anyone interested in working with Monique to volunteer.

#### **Narragansett Gate:**

An update on the gate issue was reported. It was agreed that the gate should not be locked. If it was to be locked, Marc Apter has recommended that all community members should have the key code. Harvey would continue to work with Oyster Harbor

#### **Signs:**

Dave provided a map of proposed locations to install the signs in the community. Harvey suggested that Irving review the locations. Once approved, Joe Philips would be asked to install. If it becomes too daunting to install all of the signs, the board will contract the work.

**Snow Plowing Alternatives:**

The current year cost for snow plowing doubled in price. Becky suggested the board solicit a new proposal to plow the property next season. All agreed to solicit proposal.

Dave motioned to adjourn the meeting; Alan Grannell approved. Meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

H. Rodriguez McConnell