

Sandy Beach Commission

Minutes

August 21, 2014 at Sandy Beach

Present: Lori Schneider, Co-Chair, Pam Wray, Jenn Parsons, Karen Brady, Denise Parker, Connie Gillman, Tom Mathews, Beach Manager, David T. Wilson, Litchfield Capital Committee

Absent: Ed Ryle, Corinne Houle, Andy Parker

The meeting was called to order @ 6:33 PM.

Approval of minutes from the July 2014 meeting. Moved by: Lori Schneider, Second, Connie Gillman. All in favor.

Treasurer's report: Cash balance: \$2,211.47

Restoration Fund: \$13,700.16

Correspondence: We received an email from Ann Combs making us aware that the Sandy Beach Commission information on the Town of Litchfield website will be updated in the next few weeks.

Old Business:

- Phase II information: No new information
- Architect update - We are not aware of any updates at this time. We ask Ed Ryle to contact the architect for a progress report.

New Business:

- Beach use contract - Karen is composing a draft for a flexible document that could be used for various groups using the beach.
- Beach numbers update - We will have information regarding passes sold and lessons taught at our next meeting.
- Triathlon/ski show - We have not yet heard from Bill Houle regarding the donation to the Restoration Fund. The ski show had large numbers and a great weather for their weekend.
- Litchfield capital budget status: The Litchfield Capital Committee removed the Sandy Beach funding for Phase III at their January 2014 meeting. David T. Wilson, Capital Funding Committee, was present at this meeting to discuss our capital funding status, how the Capital committee works, communication with the Litchfield Capital Committee and to answer questions. He suggested that we get on the Selectman's agenda to update them regarding our status.
- Selectman request - First Selectman Leo Paul has asked for written permission from Barbara Bongiolatti, Morris First Selectman, for Litchfield to take the lead in the bid process and awarding of bids for Phase II. Lori Schneider will contact her regarding this matter.
- Beach closing - The beach will be closed Monday, August 25 through Friday, August 29 because of staff shortage. It will re-open for Labor Day weekend. Jenn Parsons will send out a blast to let beach patrons know. Denise Parker will email the two town halls make them aware of the closing. The press and radio have already been notified.

- Bantam Fire Company - We have not heard from Terry Phelan regarding use of the beach in September for the fire company training. Jenn Parsons will contact him for an update.
- Beach fees - Discussion regarding beach fees is tabled until next year. Mt. Tom fees are: \$6 for residents, \$10 for non-residents on weekdays, \$9 for residents, \$15 for non-residents for weekends

Grants - we will work on applications for ScherrThoss and STEAP grants for next year.

The meeting was adjourned @ 7:45 PM. Moved: Ed, Second: Pam. All in favor.

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday, September 18th @ 7:00 PM at WZBG.

