

Ship Bottom Taxpayers Board of Directors Meeting Minutes 09/07/23

Attendees: Kat Leifeste, John Hiros, Rob Vidal, Karen Drucker, Dan VonSchaumburg and Greg Fath.

Meeting opened at 7:02 pm with a review of the agenda. Afterwards, minutes from the 08/03/23 meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report – Balance in account is reconciled at \$2,280.79. Rob provided his monthly treasurer's report for August via email, along with the monthly TD Bank statement. Only check to clear was for our contribution toward the island wide National Night Out in August. Rob also filed our IRS-990N postcard for the 2022 tax year.

Votes:

The board unanimously approved two changes to our by-laws including increasing our board of directors from 7 to "up to" 9 voting members. Nominees were discussed to fill the open slots and we will have a follow up meeting to vote on potential new members before our annual membership meeting in two weeks.

The board also unanimously approved Greg Fath to fill the President's role and Kat Leifeste to fill the Secretary's role.

Committee Reports:

Beautification – Dan informed us that the new Southern Magnolia tree, donated from Jersey Pavers, has been planted at Sunset Point. This is in memory of Barbara Bishop. Dan also told us that he now has approximately \$2,700 in that account, thanks to additional recent donations. Greg said that the bench in memory of Barbara, donated by the JCTA, has arrived and will be part of the Dedication for Barbara's memorial on 9/23 at 2 pm.

Membership – Karen shared the latest version of the brochure and will be making minor adjustments to make it easier to read. She will then have 100 copies made for our annual membership meeting, which is still slated for 9/23 at 10 am at the Fire Hall in Ship Bottom. An additional 1,000 copies will be printed and mailed out to all residents of Ship Bottom in the very near future.

Newsletter/Facebook – Kat shared the latest newsletter that she developed and we will post it on Facebook and email to our members.

JCTA – Karen and Greg attended the prior meeting and shared a few topics that were discussed.

Monthly Borough Meetings – Karen will attend the next School Board Meeting on 9/19, John will attend the next Land Use Meeting on 9/20, and Greg will attend the next Town Council Meeting on 9/26. Summaries will be shared with Ann C to post accordingly.

New Business:

Website Management – Rob said he was going to research how to update & post items to our website, which he confirmed is via Word Press. This will enable us to more quickly share information as needed.

Event Planning:

General Membership Meeting / Elections – Karen secured the Fire House for 9/23 from 10 – 11:30 am for our meeting. She also confirmed that Chief Potter will be our guest speaker and that he is looking for questions/topics to cover prior to his presentation. Greg and Karen will send out emails announcing our meeting and asking for questions for Chief Potter to be sent to our Ship Bottom Gmail account We were told that the cost is now \$200 to rent the space. John will make sure we can get in the building at 9 am, Karen will ask Ferrara's for donuts, Kat will ask Wawa for coffee, and Dan will pick up water bottles for the event. Karen was going to see if we did a mini "Coffee with Cops" prior to the start of the membership meeting. Also, Karen got reusable Ship Bottom bags that we will distribute to all attendees on the 23rd.

Tonight's meeting adjourned at 8:21 pm. Minutes submitted by Greg Fath.

NEXT MEETING DATES: September 14th via Zoom and October 5th (casual recap at Port Hole)