

Ship Bottom Taxpayers Association - Board of Directors Meeting

06/06/2024 – 7 pm

Present – Joanne Tallon, Greg Fath, John Hiros, Kat Leifeste, Blair Steifbold (Zoom)

Approval of minutes – May Meeting – unanimous

Guest Speaker – None. Feedback from last meeting

Ken's presentation was well received by all in attendance

Treasurer's Report – Rob Vidal –

Account had another \$1500 debit made from the account – bank error which will be corrected by TD bank

Current balance in the account is \$4271.18 – still receiving membership dues

Committee Reports:

Beautification –

- Dan (Sunset Point) – people are showing up each week to work in gardens
Waiting for town to put in mulch along the path and new plants along walkway
Town turned on sprinklers last week
\$4300 in account

- John Montone gave a great presentation at the town council meeting
 - Town council looking in to landscaping – thinking about planters
 - Not sure if town or businesses will pay
 - John and Greg will be meeting with Joe Valyo once John is back

Membership – Joint Council is planning a “Best Practices” conference (related to membership)

Sept 21st @ 4-6 PM in the firehouse. Blair, Kat & JoAnne offered to go. More info to follow.

Communications – Greg spoke to Jim Ulrich who was willing to take it on, but he is a really busy

Person, Greg to follow up with him to provide us with some further information.

JCTA – Greg – Overview from 6/3 Meeting

- Tickets being given in the township for those going thru amber/red lights
- Also for parking in the wrong direction
- We need to followup and verify participation in person with the realtors who initially said they would participate
 - John H will check at Weichert
 - Greg will check at Caldwell Banker
 - Joanne has a friend at Century 21 and will check with her to see if they will participate
 - Kat reported that Mary Allen bowed out, but she stated she would do an in-person F/U visit

Old Business

Toy Box Update – JoAnne reported that all is lining up well – should be finished by Father’s Day weekend and there will be a QR code with our website on the sign on the box

Meet the Candidates interviews – Karen. Board was happy, but no feedback from members

Tag Line for Emails – Karen. Testing “Building Community” currently. Suggested using “Building community together”

Faded Sign Survey – Joanne will make a grid and send it out for us to divide up the work

School Consolidation – long discussion about how this could increase our taxes

Blair stated that we are now paying \$.04 on the dollar for local schools, .23 for Secondary/regional schools and .038 on municipal taxes

Joanne offered in a follow-up email to have Tom Tallon speak at our next meeting to explain the impact of the consolidation on our taxes

Post Office – no movement at this point in time

Mobi Mats – on hold until next year – this year’s grant money will go toward pickle ball courts

Handicap access information on SB website for Gators – must have a beach badge

New Business

Suggestions for guest speakers –

Mary Basile after Nov election

Tom Tallon for next meeting to talk about School and tax impact

General membership meeting –

- Date set for 9/28 from 10-12
- Town Hall for venue? – Greg will check with Kristy. Update: Greg spoke with Kristy and submitted an official request for that date.

Perhaps an open house could be set at the same time

Update by-laws to include business memberships. **New wording:** *Business Sponsors will donate a minimum of \$100 annually, for the period covering January 1st through December 31st. Business Sponsors will be highlighted on our website and regular newsletters, along with other documentation if appropriate.*

Approved by all unanimously

Monthly Borough Meetings (calendar with rotating volunteers to attend)

Land Use Board mtg: Tuesday, June 18 @ 6:30 pm – Joanne

School Board mtg: Tuesday, June 18 @ 6:30 pm – John Hiros

Town Council mtg: Tuesday, June 25 @ 6:30 pm – Greg

***** NEXT SBTA MEETING - July 11 @ 6:30 PM@ John Hiros' house *****