

Ship Bottom Taxpayers Association - Board of Directors Meeting

03/06/2024 – 7:05 pm

Attendees: Greg Fath, Karen Drucker, Joanne Tallon, John Montone, John Hiros, Blair Stiefbold, Kat Leifeste (Zoom), Dan Von Schaumberg (Zoom)

Approval of minutes – February Meeting – unanimous

School Board –

- Joanne said that the Executive School Board minutes were just posted from January
- Lengthy discussion
 - It was suggested that we fill out an OPRA form and propose our questions to the Board. JoAnne will complete one and sent to Kat for submission
- Invite Dr Chung to our next meeting

Treasurer's Report – Rob Vidal - reports sent prior to the meeting - Balance as of 3/6 is \$3266.57

- Rob has an additional \$250 that he transferred from GiveButter this week
- Karen has additional membership money - \$455

Committee Reports:

Beautification –

- Dan VonSchaumburg (Sunset Point) not much happening right now – still have \$4000 in the account.
- John Montone - Greg suggested creating a generic plan for what we want to do in the cutout before we go to town council and decide how we could fund it.

Membership – Stuff-It Round 4 – still have to send out 1000 more letters

- Next round set for 3/18 at 4PM
- Greg to send a note with latest town council summary
- Greg proposed a second letter (via Gmail) to go out to all members summarizing our efforts and asking for a volunteer to assist with consistent communication. He will draft something and send to the board for approval.

Communications –

- Need someone to run with this area
- Make a new position for Communications Chairperson (Most other associations have a dedicated board member for this important role)
- Advertise as a blast on our Gmail account, Facebook, and through LBI Recommendations
- Group agreed, that it would be a non- board member position.

JCTA – Karen/Greg –

- There will be a Survey Monkey survey coming out that will include all current board members from the various associations. The intent is to come up with areas to focus on island-wide.

Old Business

Insurance – We did secure general liability insurance and it will be in place through February 2025.

New Business

- Thank You Breakfast for EMS Volunteers - lengthy discussion. This item to be tabled for the time being as no consensus was reached. Potential ideas:
 - Have the volunteers honored at our annual membership meeting?
 - Have the event at Joe Pop's? (who to include) – who pays?
 - A May date was suggested.
 - Karen will do further research.
- Chalk Art 2024 – Kat
 - Kat will make an appointment to meet with Chief Potter at the end of March to iron out details involving safety and logistics.
 - She will also contact the porta potty company.
 - She will distribute fliers to be posted in the windows of local businesses.
 - Friends of John Montone, who are art teachers, have agreed to help out the day of, by giving suggestions to the participants, etc. as needed.
- Newsletter – Kat will get the next newsletter out before the end of the month (March/ April edition).

Monthly Borough Meetings (calendar with rotating volunteers to attend) – Whomever attends should send a “highlights” recap to our board which can also be sent to all active members via email.

Land Use Board mtg: Tuesday, March 19 @ 6:30 pm - Joanne

School Board mtg: Tuesday, March 19 @ 6:30 pm - John Hiros

Town Council mtg: Tuesday, March 26 @ 6:30 pm - Kat

NEXT SBTA MEETING April 4, 2024 @ 7 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Kat Leifeste, Secretary