

Minutes from the Meeting  
of the  
North Shore Board of Governors  
May 6, 2014

The regular monthly meeting of the North Shore Board of Governors was held on May 6, 2014, at the home of Jennifer Harris. In attendance were Wayne and Amy Bartholomee, Carl Kuhne, Rae Regula, Lana Matovcik, Sarah Ann Parsons, Jeff Schell, Jennifer Harris, Bonnie Howatt, Ted Tepper and Rick Scruggs.

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm.

The minutes from the March meeting were approved as submitted. There was no April meeting of the Board.

Roads and Zoning

Roads and Zoning Chairman, Mike Davis, has resigned from the Board. Cindy Gottschalk has volunteered to assume his duties, but was unable to attend the May meeting. The board anticipates that her appointment will be confirmed at next month's meeting. In the meantime, submissions for Roads and Zoning should be directed to Wayne Bartholomee.

Since the last meeting, there have been two submissions for board approval. The first was submitted by Deborah & Steven Cieri for demolition and reconstruction at 465 Edgewater Road. The paperwork submitted was complete, adjacent homeowners signed, and all permits appeared to be in order. The Board approved the plans with one late-arriving member (Jeff) abstaining because he wasn't present for the discussion and had not seen the plans.

The second proposal was submitted by Vince Caropreso and Melinda Scalino for improvements to 1138 Valley Drive. The members of the Board did not voice any objections to the plans, but did not take action to approve the proposal pending submission of the North Shore Application for Property Improvement, which is found on the community website, [www.northshoreaa.com](http://www.northshoreaa.com), and obtaining all required permits.

There have been recent complaints submitted to the Board regarding everything from untagged vehicles to un-mowed grass to unruly chickens. The position of the current Board is that, while we want to promote a tidy and harmonious community, we do not wish to be the local arm of the Anne Arundel County zoning office. To the extent that you have concerns regarding a zoning or code violation, please direct these complaints to the appropriate county offices, which are listed in every issue of the *Barnacle*

Treasurer's Report

The General Fund opening balance in March was \$18,822; closing balance at the end of April was \$32,750.00. This included revenues of \$10,100 for membership dues, \$3,500 for pier/slip rental, and \$750 for ramp key renewals.

The reserve Fund CD balance is \$15,750.00. Upon motion made by Lana Matovcik and seconded by Rae Regula, the Board voted to move \$15,000 from the General Fund to the Prudent Reserve CD, giving Bonnie discretion to extend the CD term to 18 months, if that would yield better terms for the community. The funds in the CD remain available at any time, with insignificant early withdrawal penalty.

### Barnacle

Because there was no meeting in April, and very few submissions, there was no Barnacle last month.

### Beach

The Beach facility has been rented for the following dates:

<u>Member</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Rain Date*</u>
Wisthoff	May 24	May 25
Bartholomee, W	July 4	July 5
Warner	TBD	

\* NS will honor a reservation on its designated rain date unless another member wishes to reserve the facility for that date, in which case, the new reservation will have priority.

Jen King has inquired about renting the beach, even though she is no longer a resident. The board agreed that any North Shore property owner is eligible to become a North Shore member regardless of residency, and upon payment of dues, may avail themselves of all community amenities.

The fee for beach rental is \$50.00 for events up to 50 people, and \$100 for events with more than 50 attendees.

Ted notes that there is a tremendous amount of debris which washed up on the beach during the latest very high tides and help is needed to clear it out. This is even more important since the Community Clean Up weekend was rained out. We are planning to combine Family Day at the Beach on May 31, with a rescheduled and abbreviated Clean-Up day. See the separate notice published in the Barnacle.

Cody Schell will continue to cut the grass at the Beach and the Park for the 2014 season.

### Entertainment

The Easter Egg Hunt was cancelled due to a lack of interest from community members. This event, historically, has not been well attended, and the Board had

previously suggested that Jennifer might consider dropping this event from the calendar. After this year's lack of interest, the Easter Egg Hunt is no longer going to be sponsored by the community association.

Family Day and Clean Up Day is scheduled for May 31<sup>st</sup>. Please see the full page flyer in the Barnacle and plan to attend.

### Garden Club

Thanks to Cris Imle, Rae Regula, Robin Sayler, Jeanne Brush, Charlie Parsons and Violet Harris for all their work on the entrance garden. It looks beautiful as does the garden at Mountain Road, thanks to Roberta Watts for her efforts there. Also many thanks to Rae and Richard Regula for their **many** hours of clean-up along North Shore Road.

The next meeting will be on the third Tuesday in July, location to be determined.

The annual Luau will be held Friday, July 25, at the Beach.

### Membership

Our membership drive is in full swing with good results so far. Robin has collected \$10,100 to date from 120 households. If you haven't yet sent in your dues, please do so soon. We hope to wrap up the membership drive before Memorial Day. As a reminder, members are required to pay dues before using any community facilities or attending community events.

### Park

Our Community Clean Up event is rescheduled for the morning of May 31. Please rendezvous at the Park beginning at 10:00 am.. There has been some damage to the playground equipment, requiring structural repair and re-decking. Jeff will rope off the equipment with yellow caution tape until we can make necessary repairs. Ted promised to look at the damage tomorrow and work with Wayne and Jeff to assess, and hopefully repair the damage. Rick made a motion that the Board authorize up to \$500 for this work. The motion was seconded by Bonnie and unanimously approved.

Rick is going to look into a new contract for port-a-potties at the Park and Beach. We presently have two units which seem to have been abandoned by the new business owner, and are not being serviced nor billed to the community.

### Pier/Marina

Jeff read the following report into the minutes:

We survived the winter with the help of several residents that once again deserve recognition. Thanks to Ed Melloti, Shep Drain, and Bob Leigh for helping set up, monitor

and remove the ice eaters; and to Rich Fenton and Denny Debus for winterizing the water system. There were two problems that resulted from the harsh winter that needed to be addressed right away. First there was an electrical short that melted a receptacle. It was discovered and bypassed before causing any further damage thanks to the help of Ed Melloti and myself. In addition, the receptacle has recently been replaced with the help of Phil Gerber. Second, sometime after winterizing the water system, someone turned on a breaker which unfortunately re-pressurized a small portion of the system, causing some pipes to crack. Thanks to Rich Fenton, a by-pass was created and we were able to get the water turned on prior to opening day of Rock Fishing season. A long term solution will be part of the shed replacement project.

Slip rentals for 2014 are off to good start as we anticipated 21 returning boaters. Currently we have a total of 17 paid and one non-returning slip holder. Of those, 3 are on hold due to nonpayment of association dues, and one did not supply registration information. **The remaining 3 renewals are currently past due and will be notified of the loss of their current slip assignments if they are not paid by June 1<sup>st</sup>.**

Ramp key fees are dragging behind with only 39 of the 66 keys paid. Of the paid users, 4 are on hold due to nonpayment of association dues. The remaining 27 ramp key fees are currently past due and should remit payment prior to June 1<sup>st</sup>.

As the pier chairman, I would like to remind everyone of a simple fact. Had the decision not been made to implement a key renewal fee as opposed to replacing the lock each year, YOU THE USER WOULD HAVE TO PURCHASE A KEY FOR \$25.00 ANNUALLY. In fact, the intent was not to collect additional revenue but to save the expense so that we could fund the many long overdue projects at the marina.

Finally, due to a scheduling conflict, the Pier Clean Up Day will be separately scheduled and members will be notified.

### Welcome

No Report.

### Old Business

The Greater Pasadena Council held its inaugural meeting on April 28. To date, we have not participated in this group's efforts to reorganize, preferring to adopt a wait and see attitude. If anyone has a particular interest in working with this group, please let a board member know. In the meantime, we will continue to monitor their activities and reconsider our participation as appropriate. Rick volunteered to follow-up with the group to see what transpired at the April meeting.

Street Lights – Rae has provided the identifying numbers of the non-functioning street lights to the county, but nothing has been done to rectify the situation.

### New Business

Rae proposed that the community purchase a portable sign that would facilitate notification of community events. She submitted a quote for \$135.00, which the board considered favorably. The board approved the expenditure.

The two delinquents who were stealing boat batteries around Pasadena have been apprehended. No additional information was provided to the board.

Wayne will follow up with Mike to obtain his Roads and Zoning files and other community papers.

Bonnie raised an issue regarding drainage next to her property and throughout the community as the county drains are often clogged and not functioning. The area next to her property belongs to the Community and is in serious need of intervention, often taking months to dry out after a good rain like last week. A suggestion was made that it might be a good candidate for a "Bog Project" such as those which have been sponsored by middle schools around the county. If any neighbor is interested in taking on this initiative, please contact Bonnie Howatt.

Carl wanted the Board and community members to know that during the recent storms, Trail's End Drive suffered a wash out and the last portion of the road remains impassable by car. The county is working on the matter, but as of this meeting, no information has been provided as to how or when the road will be restored.

The next meeting will be held on June 3 at Lana Matovcik's house, 357 Edgewater Road. The July meeting will be held on July 1, hosted by Rick Scruggs, either at his home or at the Beach, TBD.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:57 pm.