

North Shore on the Magothy's The Barnacle October 2007

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* Voting Members

Useful Numbers

Animal Control	410 222-7045
AAC Constituent Line	410 222 2222
AAC Departmental Phone Directory Switchboard	410 222-7000
Board of Elections	410 222-6600
Bulk Item Pickup	410 222-6108
County Councilman Ron Dillon (Chairman)	410 222-1401
County Executive John R. Leopold	410 222 1821
Delegate Don Dwyer	410-419-3870
Delegate Nic Kipke	410 841-3421
Delegate Steven R. Schuh	410 841-3206
Health Department	410 222-7364
Magothy River Water Quality Hot Line	410 222-7999
Maryland State Senator Brian Simonaire	410 841-3658
Road Repair	410 222-6120
Zoning Enforcement	410 222-7446

Community Calendar

Monday, Sept. 24	Garden Club Meeting, Kristin's home, 7pm, bring flowers and a vase
Tuesday, Oct. 2	Board Meeting, 7pm, home of Bud Jenkins
Saturday, Oct. 27	October Fest, 4pm; Adult Hayride, 7:30pm
Wednesday, Oct. 31	Halloween Party and Children's Hayride
Tuesday, Nov. 13	North County Library, Del. Nic Kipke Open Door Office Hours 7-8:30pm

North Shore Board Meeting Notes

September 4, 2007

Board Members: Lisa Shell, Bud Jenkins, Jon Williams, Sara Ann Parsons, Denise Larbig, Joe Brzuchalski, Brian Siwinski, Carolyn Wisthoff, Rick Scruggs, Fran Kuhne, Amy Bartholomee

Guests: Bonnie Howatt

The meeting was called to order at 7:15PM at the home of Lisa Shell.

Motion was made to accept the meeting notes of the August meeting as written in the Barnacle. This was seconded and carried.

Treasurer:

The treasury balance is up \$7500.00 since 2/07.

Treasury year-to-date report:

NORTH SHORE ASSOCIATION, INC
TREASURER'S REPORT
AS OF AUGUST 31, 2007

General Fund Cash Balance, July 31, 2007 \$18,771

Receipts

2007 NSA Dues	1,600
2007 Slip Rentals	528
Total Receipts	2,128

Disbursements

Manuel & Sons - Marina paving	3,000
A-A Recycle & Sand - Beach gravel	2,705
Amy Bartholomee - Barnacle expenses	451
Brian Siwinski, Jr - Park mowing	445
Anne Arundel County - FY 2008 Real estate taxes	414
Bill Morris - Marina mowing	225
Rick Scruggs - Beach mowing	148
Sarah Ann Parsons - July 4th expenses	140
BGE - Marina service	121

Cheryl's Chalets - Port-a-pots	115
Jon Williams - July 4th expenses	99
Sarah Ann Parsons - Legal hearing expenses	61
BGE - Beach service	38
Total Disbursements	<hr/> 7,962
Increase in Cash	<hr/> (5,834)
General Fund Cash Balance, August 31, 2007	<hr/> <hr/> \$12,938
Capital Fund Cash Balance, July 31, 2007	\$27,649
Interest Earned	<hr/> 118
Capital Fund Cash Balance, August 31, 2007	<hr/> <hr/> \$27,766

NORTH SHORE ASSOCIATION, INC
TREASURER'S REPORT
FOR THE PERIOD FEBRUARY 1 - AUGUST 31, 2007

General Fund Cash Balance, February 28, 2007 \$9,350

Receipts

2007 NSA Dues	11,700
2007 Slip Rentals	7,066
Spring Fling Dance	2,713
Beach Rentals	250
Barnacle Ads	210
Laser Clinic	150
Interest Earned	68
Pier Keys	20
Total Receipts	<hr/> 22,177

Disbursements

Annual general liability renewal	3,964
Marina paving	3,000
Beach gravel	2,705

Spring dance	2,491
BGE - Marina service	714
Barnacle expenses	703
Beach fence posts	673
Park mowing	665
Port-a-pots	650
Beach materials	500
FY 2008 Real estate taxes	424
Marina mowing	375
Beach mowing	343
July 4th expenses	239
Luau supplies	200
BGE - Beach service	182
Legal expenses	165
Marina supplies	160
Donations	100
Garden Club	93
Easter expenses	90
Membership expenses	83
Board expenses	47
GBC dues	25
Rounding	(3)
Total Disbursements	<u>18,588</u>
Increase in Cash	<u>3,588</u>
General Fund Cash Balance, August 31, 2007	<u><u>\$12,938</u></u>
Capital Fund Cash Balance, January 31, 2007	\$27,037
Interest Earned	<u>730</u>
Capital Fund Cash Balance, August 31, 2007	<u><u>\$27,766</u></u>

Membership:

There are currently 148 paid North Shore Association members. A member list will be published.

Pier:

Paving completed of the boat ramp area. There was \$3500.00 allocated and the final cost was \$3000.00. Pier committee is getting a written estimate for installing a gabion cage at the bottom of the boat ramp. This is being investigated as a solution to the drop off at the end of the boat ramp.

Park:

General fix up and weeding has been done. It was noted that the jungle gym has a missing piece. Bud will look into getting that fixed. It was noted that the hobby horse is bent over to the point it

cannot be repaired. Bud will remove the hobby horse and look into cost of a new one.

Entertainment:

The Crab Feast was a success despite the high temperatures. There were 88 people that attended and enjoyed the crabs Denny Debus traveled to Cambridge to buy. Thank you Denny!

Also thanks to all who helped setup and clean up.

The income and expense report for the event showed a very nice profit.

\$2390.00 Gross Income

\$1060.00 Expenses

\$1339.00 Profit

Family Day expenses were \$287.00. Some of the leftover Family Day supplies were used at the Crab Feast thus lowering those expenses.

Lisa had a request to have an October Fest preceding the Adult Hayride on Oct 27. She will put out a flyer with particulars.

Roads and Zoning:

Herb & Marion Glasby made application to remove dead and rotting trees from their property. Pictures accompanied the application and they have a permit.

Motion to approve was made and seconded. All were in favor so the motion carried.

Richard Ravenscroft made application to replace a paver sidewalk with a concrete sidewalk in the front of his home.

Motion made to approve, seconded. All were in favor so the motion carried.

Robin Sayler said they will be trimming trees that were covered under a previous application. It was noted that the covenants require approval for removal of trees not trimming.

Robin said they will be razing their existing home and building a new home and had some questions. Sarah Ann will get with them about covenants in relation to the project.

Bonnie Howatt at 379 Dutchship Road stated the small property adjacent to their property is owned by North Shore Community. Over the last 20 some years the Howatts have kept it mowed but are no longer able to do so. The area is much overgrown and has a dead tree that has fallen where it is leaning against a live tree.

A motion was made to allocate a maximum of \$500.00 to have the property bush hogged to clear it. The motion was seconded and all were in favor so the motion carried.

Once the lot is cleared it will be included in the North Shore Properties for regular maintenance. Many thanks to Carter and Bonnie for all the years of maintenance.

Beach:**North Shore Beach Report 9-4-07**

Rick Scruggs

Old Business:

The CR-6 stone has been installed in the parking area of the beach. The price for the stone was under the budget number approved. I would like to thank Ted Tepper, Denny Debus and Brian Siwinski for grading the stone, they did a wonderful job.

Beach Expenses:

Two grass cuttings @ \$ 65.00 / 8-11-07 and 8-24-07 \$130.00

Other Expenses:

New Keys and Rings for the beach shed \$12.55.

Total \$ 142.55 Due

Beach Rentals:

One rental is on the calendar, Saturday September 29th (Ferguson)

New Business:

I have had 3 new keys made, and put them on a labeled ring for the shed at the beach. I would like Brian and two other members of the board to have a key to the shed in the event of my absence.

I have begun to investigate the possibility of developing a landscape plan for the beach. I have spoken to Jim Logan, whom has agreed to offer input based on his landscaping experience. Community members are encouraged to call or email me with their suggestions. Now is the time to make your suggestions before the beach long range plan is completed. **Speak now or forever hold your peace.** E-mail me at richardscruggs75@msn.com

I have begun to look into a replacement sign for the beach. No prices as yet.

The newly established long range planning committee has had some difficulty getting started. We have had problem scheduling times to meet we all seem to be going different directions on different days. We are still trying to establish a schedule to meet.

Beach Fall Work Party

Anyone who thinks that they may be have some time and be willing to help out with taking down the nettle net or other beach beautification work one day later this fall, please email or call me at your first opportunity. I have not set a date for that work party, but I would like to know who might be able help. As we all know, typically that type of work party would be put together at the last minute, as it is weather related, and we may not have time to advertise the event.

Carolyn Wisthoff said she needs help in replacing the bulbs on Christmas lights that are on the tree at the Beach. It was suggested that during the beach cleanup day this could be done when

someone would be able to use the cherry picker truck to access the tree lights.

Carolyn also questioned if a jetty was removed at the beach when the boat launch area was being set up. There was sharp concrete rubble removed from the North Shore Beach property at this time.

Welcome:

No Report There are 3 new families to be welcomed.

Greater Pasadena Council:

No Report. Carolyn noted that times she has gone to the meeting but due to lack of a quorum there was no business conducted thus nothing to report. Sarah Ann noted the GPC newsletter had been received that day but she had not had time to review it before our meeting. The GPC \$25.00 dues need to be paid.

Old Business:

A committee of Bonnie Howatt, Lani Cochran, and Betty Fletcher have agreed to conduct a review of the North Shore Financial records. A review of the financial records has not been done in recent years.

A motion was made to have the Financial Review Committee cover the time period March 2005 thru February 2007. This motion was seconded. All approved and it carried.

The Writ of Mandamus filed against the North Shore Board by Bob Lane shows as Closed and Inactive on the Circuit Court Docket. Bob wrote a letter to the court stating he withdrew the complaint since the reason for filing it no longer existed. Sarah Ann is getting a copy of the court docket for this case to keep with North Shore records.

New Business:

There was a golf cart accident involving 4 young people. The golf cart went over on its side when the gas pedal got stuck or was applied instead of the brake. One child was taken by ambulance to the hospital. The parents of these children no longer allow them to drive or ride golf carts on the roads.

Residents reported other golf cart incidents where young people did not stop at a stop sign when entering Dutchship Road and on Edgewater came over the hill where a driver almost backed out in front of them.

If a resident sees children operating golf carts in an unsafe way contact the parents of the children. It is the parents responsibility to deal with this.

The President has received two separate complaints about yards that are overgrown, junk in the yards, trucks and trailers parked on the lawn. Please keep vehicles parked in driveways and yards mowed and belongings stowed out of sight. This helps maintain the value of all properties.

A Long Range Planning Committee has been formed and includes Joe Brzuchalski, Rick

Scruggs, Sarah Ann Parsons and Bud Jenkins. They will set up a budget and put together a list of long range capital improvements. They will meet later this month.

Brian verified that the pier users are all North Shore Members.

Sarah Ann had sent out a rough draft of Standards Practices and Procedures for comment by the board. There was much discussion and editing. This review will continue until we have a document satisfactory to the majority of board members. It will then be reviewed by an attorney for legal issues. This document will be to guide this board and future boards in the duty of enforcing the covenants so that it is done in a consistent, objective and legal manner.

The motion was made to adjourn, seconded. All approved and it was carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:45PM

The next board meeting will be held on Tuesday October 2, 2007 7PM at the home of Bud Jenkins.

Respectfully submitted, Fran Kuhne, Secretary

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hi All,

Newest in my series of Restrictive Covenants and By-Laws review is Article XI—Amendments—Waiver.

Section 1 Amendments. Any and all provisions of these By-Laws may be altered and repealed and new By-Laws be adopted at any annual meeting of the members or at any special meeting called for that purpose; provided that no such amendment shall be valid unless authorized by the affirmative vote or a majority of the total number of members present. The Board of Governors, by the affirmative vote of a majority of the whole Board, at any meeting, may make, alter or repeal, additional and supplementary By-Laws not inconsistent with these By-Laws, but any such additional or supplementary By-Laws shall be affirmed, altered or repealed by the vote of a majority of the total number of members present at any meeting as hereinabove provided.

Section 2. Waiver of By-Laws. Any provisions of these By-Laws may be at any time be waived by the unanimous consent of all the members of the association entitled to vote.

I am using this particular By-Law because we as a Board have a few items that need some revision and updating within the By-Laws and we may be submitting changes for some of these items at the annual meeting. This document, as well as our Restrictive Covenants, was written many years ago (before email and cell phones!) and we would like to do a little updating to bring us into the 21st century. Rest assured that nothing we may propose will change the basic intent of the By-Laws and also, you as the

membership will definitely have the last word on everything. So start planning now to attend the Annual Meeting in February. It is very important.

You will see a special notice in the Barnacle this month regarding golf-cart use in the community. As you have read, there was an accident involving a golf-cart that resulted in an injury to one of our children in the community. Luckily, the injury was not life-threatening and the child is okay. Each month we include, in some form a plea to all residents to be careful with the use of these golf-carts. While many of us have them, in reality, my understanding is that they are not legal on public roads. They are convenient and they are fun in North Shore and can be relatively safe because of the isolation of our community. But when children are allowed to use them they become dangerous. As responsible as we may feel our children are, they don't know the rules of the road, are influenced by their peers and feel they are invincible. I would encourage every parent to have a frank conversation with their children about the golf-cart usage and only allow licensed drivers to operate the golf-carts. As much as we hate to admit it, we adults don't always act responsibly and we need to set the example for our children. We certainly don't want anyone else to get hurt.

Lastly, the Board has received several complaints recently regarding issues that are not covered by our By-Laws or our Restrictive Covenants. We do want to hear about these issues so we can address them at the Board meeting and determine if they are something the Board has the authority to try to resolve. However, as much as we may agree that many of these issues may be a problem and as much as we would like to do something about them, as long as the activity or situation is legal, we can't take action if it is not covered by our By-Laws or Restrictive Covenants. These are issues that must be handled neighbor to neighbor. Some of these complaints include the already addressed golf-carts, unlicensed cars in the yard (which we do address with a letter to the resident stating if they are not licensed or not in a garage they will be reported to the county, as it is against county regulations) and unkempt yards. The unkempt yards are a problem in that, although we all suffer by having to look at them, we, as a Board, have no authority to do anything about them. We just encourage neighbors to take care of their yards as this is the first impression anyone has of our community and of our individual homes and no one is impressed by a messy yard.

Sorry that I rambled on so much this month but we do want all neighbors to be informed and aware of what is going on. Once again, please call me with any questions or concerns or ideas. 410-437-6992, home, or 410-491-9311, cell.

Sarah Ann

The Crabs Were Good, The Beer Was Cold...

The Crab Feast was a success! Ninety or so folks braved a scorcher of a day and came out and had a good time. The crabs were good, the beer was cold, the kids had a good time and there was plenty of good conversation!

There are several people I need to thank...a BIG thanks to Denny D. for driving to Cambridge to get us such a great deal on the crabs (again!); to Brian S. and Jeff S. for putting the big blue tarp up; to Dane M. for making our sign, providing us with plenty of ice, and for the use of his big fan to keep the air moving; to Carl K., Jeff S., and John W. for helping with set up on Saturday morning; to Carl K. for supplying additional ice; to Ted T. for the use of his hose and water (even though we sprung a leak...sorry Ted!); to Charlie P. for doing most of the grilling (boy, was that a hot job); to Clara B. for multiple trips to her house for utensils; and last but not least to each of you for bringing all the fantastic sides and desserts we shared! So, as you can see, it truly was a team effort...something that North Shore folks do best!

Now, on to new business. Before you know it, September will be over and October will be upon us! With that in mind, we will hold **OKTOBERFEST** for the adults. **OKTOBERFEST** will be on the same afternoon as the adult hayride...Saturday, 27 October. We are planning to have **OKTOBERFEST** begin around 4:00 and then we will move right into the adult hayride at about 7:30 or 8:00. I really need folks to RSVP so we know how much meat and beer to buy. Payment will be similar to the Luau...donations into the bucket! WHAT A DEAL!!!! Watch for a flyer in the next week or so! If we have a good turn out, this may become an annual event...so mark the day now and show up for a great time!

Thanks again to all!

Lisa Schell, Entertainment Chair

Neighborly Notes

- Thank you to Ted & Jackie Tepper for delivering the Barnacle.
- From Tim and Kathy Dougan: We would like to thank all of our neighbors who came to James' aid recently. He's getting better...a few scrapes, stitches, and lessons learned!

North Shore Youngsters Working for Spending Money

If you would like to be added to this list, please e-mail me at adbart65@comcast.net. We will run this list in each issue.

Childcare

Austin Murdock 410-360-8668

Sara King 410-437-9993

Megan Hammer 410-437-1485

Kate Morris (certified babysitter) h 410-360-9704 or c 410-868-6073

Pet Sitting

Kendall Parrott 410-255-5211

James Dougan 410-255-2040

Sara King 410-437-9993

Megan and Kaitlyn Hammer 410-437-1485

Yard Work

James Dougan 410-255-2040