

BWV Board Meeting – 1/16/25 – South Coastal Library

Participants: MaryKay, Patti, Dan, Clair, Kathy, Bob, Mike

Start time: 3:02 pm

Agenda

Financials: Clair (15 minutes) – transferred \$5000 to cover electric bill, all CDs went into Money market, need to reinvest into new CDs but wants to keep at lower amounts, like \$10K, in case the money is needed before maturity. All accounts are reconciled. Appointments next week to see about new bank due to M&T fees. Should we be reimbursing the Homeowner's if over charging for fees? Sometimes it's 0.50 over sometimes exact. Annual franchise tax filed yesterday. Paid for snow-removal and filed for reimbursement from DelDot. Mike put his cc on file for website renewal. Double charge for Qbooks, they will be reimbursing within 7-10 business days. She will get better about getting all the memos entered so we all know what's what. Learning-curve for software. Hoping the removal of the 3 streetlights will reduce the Delmarva Power bill (~\$1100/mo)

Communications: Patti/Dan (10 minutes) - handling of emails received from the community (fan mail), Facebook features, BWV website development

- General communication from board to community – all neighbors, treat with respect, act in the best interest of the community. Be responsive, kind and try to keep things positive. Be quick to respond, acknowledge receipt and provide respond. We are here to do things for the community and not to the community.
- Patti and MK will monitor email and forward to appropriate party for response. All responses should come from the BVVoice email.
- Announcements/events/projects – MailChimp (MK) and then posted on Facebook page
- Website – meeting minutes and broader topics (e.g., water testing, road work, etc.)

No news on pitbull incident.

Fraudulent bill received by Clair re snow removal, when confronted they dropped it.

Playground fixed after email received

Stop Sign Bars: Dan (10 minutes) - clarification of the distributed document and map, consensus for further activity. Started with DelDot – no action. Reached out to Rep Collins office – more helpful, they're looking into what they can do and what's available in their CTF (community traffic fund). Dan wants us to do it, suggested 10 spots. Worst spot is Shawnee/Hiawatha intersection, then Chippewa/Hiawatha intersection, and

Shawnee/Feather intersection. Maybe get quote from company that paints parking lots after hear back from Rep's office. Dan will let us know when/if he hears something.

Pier Repair Status: Dan (10 minutes) - develop strategy to achieve pier improvement

John Merit was consulted once re this, but no action was taken. John was reaching out to Parks Department but nothing. DNREC approved work done previously. Dan will reach out to DNREC to see what's what. Need to create a committee to determine what to do and how to do it, and who needs to approve it. Dan and Bob are interested in being involved, Mike mentioned Lou would also be interested. Repairs don't need to be approved, but improvements/changes need to be approved. Shawnee needs to be raised at the end.

- Immediate actions – repair to make safe, replace missing pieces and rotting wood
- Subsequent actions – improvements like raising or widening or adding additional supports

Mike will reach out to Lou, Tom, and Bob to gauge interest. Need to look into financing to see if there is an interest-free loan or something we could use.

Clair reached out to John Kane – used to be the environmental attache to Carper, he will look into and see what's out there, but DNREC will be the backlog as permits are taking 6-12 months for approval. MK will ask Jordan regarding process and costs for this type of work.

Survey Initiative: Patti (5 minutes) – obtaining requests from the board for an upcoming survey we will be conducting

Sewer survey was very successful. Want to do it again to gauge the pulse of the community. Each board member will think of a few potential questions for the survey for the next meeting. Potential topics: events, improvements, dumpsters

Old Business Comments: Clair (5 minutes)

Justin and others power washed the tables, he brought up option to seal tables. Quoted \$10-20/tables for wash and stain, \$40-50/table for labor = \$70-90/table (8 tables)

Dan will install cameras when it gets warmer

New Business: Anyone (10 minutes)

End time: 4:06 pm