

Brant Beach Taxpayers Association

Board Meeting Minutes

April 21, 2022

Meeting Held at LBT Town Hall Meeting Room
Called to Order - 2 pm , followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

Member		Attending
John Fiore	President (interim)	Y
Steve Havelka	Vice President	Y
Russ Johnson	Secretary	Y
Ben Tonti	Membership	Y
Anne Johnson	Beautification	Y
David Herron	Strategic Plan, Treasurer	Y
Donn O'Brien	Community Watch	Y
Carol Formica	Web Chair	N
Bob Innocenzi	Member at Large	N

- Approval of Minutes
 - Minutes from 03/17/2022 and 04/18/2022 - motion to accept by David, second by Donn and unanimous approval.
- President's Report
 - Bylaws need to be amended to specify the detailed steps for the annual election process. David will draft the amendment.
 - John will update draft of the letter to existing members and distribute to the board.
- Vice President's Report
 - See old business.
- Treasurer's Report
 - Ending bank balance \$5,159.28. No contributions during the month and one donation – to St Francis food pantry for \$300 (approved at March 17, 2022 meeting).
- Membership Admin Report
 - Currently stand at 331 members.
 - Mailing to new residential members - working on the taxpayer listing from the county to identify residential property owner's vs businesses/LLCs. The latter will be separately contacted by John and Steve.
 - Have identified 910 residential addresses for the mailing.
 - It will cost approximately \$1.25 per mailing. Includes - printing the letter & envelope, inserting letter and postage/mailing. Letter will be 2 sided, one side in color.

- Facebook/Community Watch (update from John)
 - Officer Hartman advised that he is looking for funding for the PBA sponsored “National Night Out” event. Usually this is funded by outside sources, but the board would consider donation if a request is made.
- Committee Reports
 - Beautification and School Board meeting
 - Anne advised that the Board of Education has meeting planned for Tuesday 4/26 - the school budget is on the agenda.
- Strategic planning
 - David suggested adding a goal for the re-design and maintenance of website. There are features/functionality that other organizations have that we could add. He will draft the goal and action steps.
- Old Business
 - NJ Sales tax exemption application - Anthony from Bill Strasser’s office advised he has some suggestions/questions on the filing. Russ to follow-up.
 - Donn/John - Road conditions and Traffic lights turn-on.
 - wrote to the State regarding the terrible conditions on the section of route 72 between 8th and 9th streets. All township mayors have been involved. The State is waiting for macadam to become available.
 - Proposal to draft a letter to the county to turn on the traffic lights early - beginning of May due to increased traffic volumes - starting 2023.
 - The new Retired Flag Depo box is ready to be painted. Should be finished within 2 weeks. Plan to present at the May membership meeting. Cost of paint - approximately \$40.
 - Annual JCTA Sponsored “Island Wide Cleanup” May 7th - plan to meet at the Custard Hut, 64th street. Several members plan to participate. John plans to talk to “Swell Landscapes” regarding cleaning up the weeds in front of the Post Office.
 - History of Brant Beach on a three-billboard display - completed filing for a \$1,000 History Grant from the Southern Ocean County Chamber of Commerce, awaiting notification. Quote from “Typestry” is \$2,500. The Board is in favor of funding the project, with or without the \$1,000 grant. Donn is drafting some information and Steve is seeking other historical information for the display.
- Next Meetings
 - May 10th 2pm - planning for the May 21 membership meeting. Suggested we are prepared to discuss planned projects under the \$7,410 budgeted amount.
 - May 19th 2 pm - regular monthly board meeting.
 - May 21st Noon - Annual Membership meeting.
 - July & August - undecided if the board will conduct the monthly meetings.
- Upcoming Events
 - May 7th – JCTA Sponsored “Island Wide Cleanup”.
- Meeting Close - 4:00 pm , motion to close by David, second by Donn and unanimous approval.