

Brant Beach Taxpayers Association (BBTA)
Director's Meeting
March 21, 2024

Meeting Held at - Town Hall Court Room

Called to Order – 1:33 p.m.

Attending – John Fiore, Georgia Glasser-Nehls, David Herron, Janis Metz, Peter Potochney, Donn O'Brien, Ben Tonti.

Pete: Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Opening Comments

Steven has requested a Leave of Absence until further notice.

Approval of Board Minutes – Pete for Russ

Minutes from the February 2024 meeting – motion to accept by John, seconded by David and unanimous approval.

Treasurer's Report - David

The monthly financial report was circulated via email to all directors. The budget was based on 390 households paying dues for the year.

Member Report/Member Committee – Ben

Current membership is 275 households. Effort will be focused on reaching out to approximately 120 households which consists of those who have not renewed from 2023 (via email) and new owners (letter will be sent to primary address and Brant Beach address via regular mail). Annual dues reminder will once again be in the bulletin and Janis will work on letter and circulate for comment.

Website – Janis

New web design link was given preliminary review. Janis will resend with explanation to all directors with a request for final input by March 29th.

June Member Meeting- Pete

Alex Meehan and Lt. Hartmann will be the guest speakers. Pete requests directors to email him topics for discussion. A task list will be sent to directors next month.

Beautification – Pete for Anne

Anne obtained the quote from Reynolds for hardscaping of the Brant Beach signs which was circulated via email. Unanimous approval to proceed via email. Reynolds will evaluate the current planting in April and will recommend either preserving or eliminating them.

Existing Projects:

Volunteer tracking/oversight – Pete stated Mike will report in April regarding a volunteer get together.

New/Pending/Continuing Projects:

Bike Safety Signs have been installed on Ocean Avenue by the township. Next to consider –

pedestrian signs.

Chess Board Tables – number of tables, measurements, costs, options for placement etc. will be provided to the Commissioners. Possible consideration to approaching other TAs to contribute.

Memorial garden/benches: Some benches on the ocean pathways need of repair. Pete to speak to Kyle.

Adopt A Beach – focus on this project will be in April.

Toybox(es) – Topic was on the JCTA agenda and it was reported that individual Taxpayer Associations should contact Kyle directly to discuss. As for Brant Beach – a box has been approved for oceanside at 68th street. ALO offered to construct the boxes. Pete will speak to them to obtain one. ALO stated it will need “donated by” signage. Pete also stated we will be responsible for storage.

Annual Events Calendar: Mike circulated this and has asked for comments.

BBTA Storage of Materials: He has been storing boxes in his garage as well as meeting signs. Looking for members to each take a box to store.

JCTA Report: (see toyboxes above)

JCTA sent out a delegates survey asking about: a Joint Membership Meeting, what works/what does not, how to increase membership, how to help each other, to name a few.

JCTA will issue a survey to all Taxpayer Association board members. Topics to include “What are your priorities?” i.e.: safety. Draft expected in April.

John attended the Ocean County Commissioner’s Meeting on behalf of JCTA and BBTA. Topics included the Marine Gas Tax – it appears the money generated is not being used to replace missing channel markers and other marine safety issues. This is an entire coastal issue. With regard to Long Beach Blvd. – an open meeting has been requested regarding the need to resurface the boulevard.

Flyers will be going to realtors regarding the St. Francis Food Pantry. Renters can leave nonperishable items at the end of their stay at the realtor for the food pantry.

Misc:

Dolphins – John

He will obtain a cost for a plaque in honor/memory of Ralph Bayard.

Brant Beach Sign (31st Street) – Current sign is set back and not prominent. John showed members a sign erected upon entering another LBI community. John will research pricing and design and report back.

Motion to Adjourn made by David, second by John. All in favor.
Meeting Adjourned 3:20 p.m.