

Brant Beach Taxpayers Association (BBTA)

Board Meeting

August 21, 2025

Meeting Held at - Mike's House

Called to Order - 9:00 pm

Attending - Pete Potochney, Ben Tonti, David Herron, Russ Johnson, Anne Johnson, Joe Pahlow, Mike Fahner, Janis Metz and Donn O'Brien.

- **Secretary Report**
 1. Minutes from the July 17, 2025 meeting - motion to accept by David, second by Pete and unanimous approval.
- **President's Report**
 1. John Fiore
 - There will be a memorial at the BBYC on October 24, 2025.
 - Discussed offering a scholarship in John's name or a flag pole, Pete will speak to Noel regarding suggestions.
 - We will invite Noel to the BBTA Board Holiday gathering.
 2. Membership Bulletin
 - Land Use Meetings - discussed the role that BBTA should play if residents have complaints about possible zoning violations.
 - We will add the dates for the next scheduled; Commissioner's, Land Use Board and BOE Meetings.
 - We will notify members of any significant Brant Beach Commercial Building applications.
 3. Kite Fest - the board approved a \$250 donation.
 4. Toy Box - continue to lose toys from the box on the ocean at 68th Street. Next year will move it to the bay beach.
 5. JCTA
 - Top concerns - safety and Holgate Beach Replenishment.
 - The JCTA is trying to get 2 attendees from each town at the Ocean County meetings. Let Pete know if you can attend.
- **Membership Ben/David/Georgia**
 1. Membership continues at about 80% of last year.
 2. Discussed ways to encourage members to re-new. Mike will draft a "marketing message to include in a targeted Bulletin.
- **Volunteers Mike/Janis**
 1. **Adopt A Beach** - Mike reported that one of the volunteers checked/replaced the lights on all the beach street # sign posts (31st to 76th streets). Mike will personally thank them with a BBTA Hat.
- **Treasurer's Report - David**
 1. The bank balance is \$17,305.94.
- **Beautification Anne** - Anne will put up small American Flags for Labor Day.
- **BOE Meetings Anne** - No update.
- **Fall Membership Meeting**
 1. Additional Slides - Themes:

- Honoring John Fiore.
 - The volunteer who checked the Street # Posts on the beach.
 - Student volunteers for Community Service; NHS or College Applications.
 - Summary of Real Estate Taxes - how much goes to LBT, Ocean County and Schools.
 - Tentative dates for the speaker series.
 - Slate of Board Members up for election.
 - How we make membership dues/donations as easy as possible.
- 2. The printed listing of members will flag members that donated and Pete will personally thank them if they attend the meeting.
- 3. Suggestions for Allie Meehan
 - Update on beach replenishment.
- **Projects Review**
 1. History Project - Janice
 - We have permissions for about half of the planned pictures. Rielly maybe able help identifying alternate photos for the remaining pictures.
- **Speaker Series**
 1. David has confirmed we can get speakers from the three museums and he will send the board members 6 possible dates.
 2. We may be able to use the BBYC, but Pete will talk to Sherry about booking the court room as a back-up.
- **New/Other Business**
 1. Wireless microphone equipment - Mike researched and can purchase mics for under \$100. Pete will speak to Sherry regarding what the township uses. Mike will follow-up with BBYC.
 2. Ben and David to present benefits of adding Venmo as a payment option at the September board meeting.
- **Next Meeting Date(s)**
 1. September 18th - Board Meeting at Town Hall, 1pm.
 2. September 20th - Fall Membership Meetings 9am at the courtroom.
- **Meeting Close** - 11:10 pm, motion by David, second by Pete and unanimous approval.