

POALH Board of Governors  
Meeting Minutes  
November 11, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Bob Sudell at the home of Cari Eckert, 57 Buttonwood, Hebron. Board members in attendance were Cari Eckert, Gail Miers, Jason Griffing, Gary Petersen, Don Smith, Bob Sudell, Bonnie Sudell and Bill Taylor. Also attending were Ed Bader, Tax Collector and Lee Griffin, Treasurer.

Minutes: The minutes of the September 17, 2015 Board Meeting were accepted as presented.

Financial Reports:

Treasurer: Lee Griffin reported that he had received a few more tax payments and that he had paid utility and porta pottie bills. His report was accepted as presented.

Tax Collector: Ed Bader reported that \$144,935 had been collected in taxes so far, representing 93% of the current year's billing. Ten (10) accounts, totaling about \$5,200, were going to collection this week. This number includes six (6) of the original 21 from last year. They will be billed for next year's taxes also when they go to collection. Of the 19 who only own lots, Ed went back in the records as far as 2008 to see if they had been billed and paid their taxes. Eight (8) are current on their taxes. Of the remaining 11, three (3) are estates.

Ed requested that we discuss at a future Board Meeting if \$50 is reasonable for a member who only owns a lot. He will have more statistics for us at the January meeting.

Record Retention – Ed reported that the Tax Collector must keep a “rate book” for 15 years, and that there are requirements for the Treasurer and Recording Secretary also. Gail, Ed, Bonnie and Lee will get together to develop written guidelines.

Annual Meeting Order of Business – Ed requested that we make a change to the order of business to present the committee reports first, and then the budget. This change will better explain the budget requests presented. The order of business will have to be published in our newsletter.

Committee Reports:

LQIC: Ed reported that the next meeting is November 14. There was discussion that all water testing should be done by one committee, including the weekly testing. Gail reported that we need someone to replace Sean Poole to do the water testing for 2016, once a week at each of the three (3) beaches, from Memorial Day to Labor Day. Ed reported that the LQIC is basing their treatment recommendations on information from Aquatic Technology Corporation, but that we should try to confirm the data, perhaps by contacting Greg Bugbee.

Properties: Gary reported that the work party to remove swim lines and rafts was successful, although the dock at Third Beach was not moved due to low water. The boat removal work party was cancelled as most boats had been removed. Bill Taylor is heading up a work party this Saturday to remove brush along Third Beach. The First Beach parking lot has been sealed and striped.

The proposed shed at Third Beach is 93 feet from the water and therefore has to go before Inland/Wetlands.

Gary reported that he had two proposals for the ramp at Third Beach. One was for round stone boulders for between \$5,000 and \$7,000. Another was for concrete block at a cost of \$12,000 for materials only. The project will have to go out to bid.

Survey: 330 surveys were sent; 161 responses were received. In general, members did not want to see a lot done that would require additional maintenance. Most wanted what we already have improved and maintained, including our rights of ways, the volleyball court and tennis courts.

Mr. Weaver has been contacted again to survey Sunset Road before installing a gate. This work should be done this week. Allegra has volunteered to put up a gate.

There was a question about the ramifications of turning the ball field into open space. Lee Griffin will get paperwork so we can better review the idea.

Pilgrim Way: Cari and Don met with Beth Lunt and Jim Ventres and walked the area. At the time, the culvert was filled with leaves. It is now up to Beth to come back to us with anything that they can do for us. The Town believes now that the original plan will not work. Jim wants to remove the existing curbing to allow the water to flow more evenly over the land. We need to look at things that homeowners can do, including plantings along the road and rain gardens. The drainage problem has been helped by what homeowners have done in the past, including Fred Odell.

Glimmer Glen: Beth Lunt has promised to look at the road and tell us what we need to do for the Town to accept it. We will need to get our own engineering study done. Bob volunteered to contact contractors that he works with for advice and estimates.

Public Safety: Bonnie will have more information on fire proof filing cabinets.

Social: The Halloween party was a great success as were many of the events this past year. The Social Survey went to 330; 133 responded. A chili cookoff was one of the many suggestions. Don is planning a followup survey, after which a summary of each survey will be put on the web.

Third Beach Parking: Mr. Weaver confirmed that the shed was not on our property. We plan to put a fence one foot back from the property line, along the property line and the road.

Board Dinner: The dinner will be Friday, January 8, 2016 at 6 p.m. at a location in Glastonbury to be determined by Bonnie.

Business Emails: All emails should be set up by December 1<sup>st</sup>.

Little Beach Letter: Bob will redraft a letter to the owner, addressing what happens to the dock when the property is sold.

Bylaws: Cari, Gail and Jason will get together.

The next meeting will be Saturday, January 16, 2016 at 9 a.m. at the home of Jason Griffing and Lee Griffin at 83 Wildwood.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bonnie F. Sudell  
Recording Secretary