

Membership Meeting Minutes

Date: 10/10/2020

Time/Location: 10 a.m., Zoom Meeting

Attendees: Julie Shino, Danielle Mazzola, Jodi McCaffrey, Paul Jeffrey, Bob Steigelman, Joe Scarfuto, Gail D'Amico, Tim O'Shea Jr.

Election

- Julie asked if there were any other nominations for Secretary other than Missy Faul. There were none. Nominations were closed.

Treasurer's Report

- Joe reported that our year-to-date revenue is \$1,800, which includes grants, membership dues and book sales. We have \$10,800 in the bank.

President's Report

- **Voting for Secretary:** Missy introduced herself. A Zoom poll was used to capture votes, and Missy was elected Secretary. Jodi will stay on the board as a trustee. Missy's 2-year term begins in January.
- **Kite Night:** We held our last Kite Night of the season on Sept. 17. We will continue to sponsor Kite Nights for the community next year. A committee will be formed to help plan and manage the events. Contact Julie Shino at jshino@friendsofortleybeach.org if you are interested in joining the Kite Night Committee.
- **Future virtual events/speakers:** If you have an idea for a virtual event or educational speaker, please reach out to Julie.
- **New Board Member:** Julie said that we're looking to add another member to our board. Please contact her if you are interested.
- **Adopt a Spot:** Julie and Tim met with Maria Maruca, Lou Amoroso, and other members of Toms River Township administration to discuss a streetscape cleanup project. Through the project, FOB, TRT and Toms River HS East's Clean Team will coordinate with local businesses to adopt sections of town to clean up, weed, etc. FOB will form a committee to decide how to move forward. Julie asked Joan Strathern to join the committee, since she is involved in OBVTA's streetscape project. Please contact Julie if you'd like to join the effort.

Secretary's Report

- **Scholarship:** Jodi reported that the Scholarship Committee revised the scholarship application and assessment rubric. Applications will be due Nov. 20. The application is available on the FOB website and the program will be promoted by email, social media, and local media. Danielle has also reached out to the local schools to let them know about the opportunity.
- **Membership:** We have 216 members, 104 of which have paid 2020 dues.
- **Oct. 21 Speaker Series:** Local historian Andrew Anderson with present Sea Side Park Memories and Remembrances via Zoom.
- **Oct. 24 Beach Sweep:** In lieu of our fall volunteer project, FOB is again supporting Clean Ocean Action's Beach Sweep on 3rd Avenue in Ortley Beach. Please register for the event on COA's website.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

- **Nov. 18 Speaker Series:** Paul is coordinating the November Speaker Series event, which will feature Erika Bernal from the Plastic Wave Project, and Ortley Beach resident Bob Farrell, who developed a biodegradable straw.
- **Bonfire on the Beach:** Tim is looking into how we can hold a bonfire on the beach next year, either to start the summer season or as an end-of-summer celebration.

Adjournment – 10:57 a.m.

Attendance:

Julie Shino
Danielle Mazzola
Jodi McCaffrey
Paul Jeffrey
Bob Steigelman
Joe Scarfuto
Mary Ann Giordano Wallis
Nanci Deverin
Jeff Deverin

Mary Ann Piazza
Missy Faul
Rich Faul
Rob Shino
Pete Conrad
Melissa Cassel
Jenn Stragapede
Joan Strathern
John McKee
Fidalgo Family

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