

Chowan Beach Recreation Association
Board of Directors Meeting
July 3, 2009

The meeting was called to order By President Dave Hudson at 7:05 pm. Members in attendance included President Dave Hudson, VP George Farrell, Secretary Kathy Hynes, Paulette Campbell, Barbara Cuellar, Rawl and Paula Gelinias, Betty Graves, George Mack, Kathryn Monet, Roger and Vicki Williams. Association members in attendance: Sheldon Berry, Ron and Shannon Decker, Ann Knox and Sharon Moxley.

Minutes from the April meeting were accepted as posted on the website.

Treasurer's report: As of June 29, 2009 **\$4548.16** Basic report attached.

Old Business

-President Hudson elaborated on:

- 1) Boat ramp reconstruction. The ramp has been extended by three 12 x 4 feet slabs at a total cost of \$1700. The water at the end is approximately 10 feet deep. A suggestion was made that a sign (using reflective orange paint) be placed near the end of the ramp to indicate this drop-off.
- 2) Bathroom locks. Locks have been installed such that member keys will open the doors. However, keyholders should ensure that the restroom is LOCKED when they leave, as the key does not automatically reset to the locked position.
- 3) Lights. There is one circuit for the pavilion outlet boxes and one for the pavilion lights. The breaker located in the pumphouse. Mr. Hudson has the only key but will provide one to the secretary and others as deemed necessary by the board. Cost for electrification was \$780 for materials and \$300 for labor.
- 4) Keys. Typically the new keys cost \$450 but this year, since there were extra blanks available, the cost this year was \$370. This is a one-time reduction because of the availability of the extra keys.

-VP Farrell had asked for a breakdown of typical yearly expenses. A hand-written version was provided and has been typed and attached to this report.

-Discussion ensued on the various expenditures since the last meeting. Chairman of Social Activities Sharon Moxley reflected the general board member opinion: Good job!

-The proposed addition to the by-laws, as posted for review on the website, was approved as written. (Gelinias/Hudson)

-The recent grafitti on the wall adjacent to the park was discussed. It was noted that Deputy Sheriffs McArthur and Townsend, along with residents Mike Hynes and Joe Jett, participated in the repainting of the damage, with paint provided by the Chowan County Sheriff's Department. Secretary Hynes took photos and sent a letter to the Chowan Herald regarding this community spirit. (Note: a letter will also be sent to the Sheriff's Department.)

-Deputy Sheriff McArthur delivered 3 "Community Watch" signs, to which Mr. Hudson attached the appropriate poles. These were then set up by Sheriff McArthur and resident Mike Hynes at:

- near the entrance to Chowan Beach at the beginning of Roanoke Trail
- in front of the park
- on Chowan Trail at the entrance from Arrowhead Beach

-Discussion on gang activity and problems ensued. President Hudson noted that he has confiscated 2 keys from paid Recreation Association members who were permitting use of the facilities by non-paying residents. This is specifically disallowed.

-Community Watch Committee

Members who agreed to work on setting up the committee include Ron and Shannon Decker, Betty Graves, Kathy Hynes, Sharon Moxley, Kathryn Monet, and George Mack. Barbara Mears will be asked to participate because of her proximity to the park. Any other residents who are interested can join at any time. Secretary Hynes will contact the initial group to set up a meeting and formally choose a chairman. Mr. Decker agreed to chair the committee prior to the first meeting. Deputy McArthur will also be in attendance.

New Business

-President Hudson requested that VP Farrell be overseer of the 6 committees as listed in the newly-approved by-laws (finance, administrative, long-range planning, public works, social activities and nominating). VP Farrell agreed. Actual makeup of the various committees will be considered at a future meeting; however, Kim Phillips as Treasurer will chair the Finance Committee with President Hudson as member and signatory on the bank account.

It was noted that Sharon Moxley, who volunteered to be Chairman of Social Activities at the May annual meeting, was not a board member as expressed in the by-laws (Section 2). At the 2010 annual meeting, this can be corrected with appropriate nomination and approval by the general membership. (The Board of Directors cannot appoint a new member unless there is a vacancy by reason of termination for cause, death or resignation of a member.) Ms. Moxley chairmanship is permissible as an exception within the scope of discretion given the President/Board of Directors in the by-laws.

-President Hudson, due to a prior commitment, relinquished the chairing of the meeting to VP George Farrell at 7:45.

-Sharon Moxley, Chairman of Social Events, outlined the plans for:

- 4th of July picnic to be held the next day. Meats are to be provided with members bringing potluck dishes. A 50/50 raffle will be held to mitigate the cost of the meat and donations will be accepted. Rawl Gelinias will provide music for the event.
- 'First Annual Chowan Beach Day", tentatively scheduled for September 5th, 2009. A flyer was distributed entailing pig-picking plates for sale, crafts booths and a community-wide garage sale. Discussion ensued and the issue was tabled until more details could be assembled. It was specifically noted that persons buying the food plates were not permitted to enter the park unless they were members. Ms. Moxley will, ASAP, supply greater detail on the plans in writing for submission to the Board so that a decision can be made on the event as described.

-The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 (Gelinias/Farrell)

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Hynes

NOTE regarding the July 4th member picnic:

A variety of factors contributed to a relatively sparse attendance. However, for those attending, the food was good, the music was good and the weather was good. The 50/50 raffle took in \$41 and was won by the Rawl & Paula Gelinias. They kindly kept only their original purchase amount of \$10 and donated the rest of their share back to the raffle, such that \$31 was given to Ms. Moxley (Social Activities Chairman) for reimbursement for the meats.