

Benton Beach Corporation
Regular Board of Directors Meeting
February 8th, 2010

Present:

Joel E. Helander
Donna S. Chemacki
Heather B. Collinson
Ellen B. Fales
Kate Fales
Todd Chemacki
Carolyn B. Helander
Lynne S. Ott
Marjorie B. Spalding (Honorary Member)

Absent:

Jennifer B. Ruiz

Quorum: The meeting was called to order with a quorum present at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Carolyn Helander, 404 Tanner Marsh Road, Guilford, CT.

Secretary's

Report: The minutes for the meeting held on Dec. 14th, 2009 were read aloud and one correction was noted. On page 1, under 'Election of Officers' the word "minimum" should be changed to "maximum". Lynne made a motion to accept the minutes with the above noted corrections. Ellen seconded the motion and it carried.

Treasurer's

Report: Ellen reported that there had been \$3750.68 in income received for the period and \$1291.90 in expenses. The opening balance on 12/14/2009 was \$899.47 with a closing balance of \$3358.25 as of 2/8/2010. There has been a good response from shareholder assessments with 16 out of 37 assessments paid in full. The Capital Improvement Fund, currently held in a Guilford Savings Bank CD, will mature in March and be reflected in the April budget. Lynne made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Heather seconded the motion and it carried. A copy of the report is enclosed.

Trap Rock: Joel reported that James DeVoe Trucking delivered \$150 worth of one and a quarter inch non-processed stone on February 8th. Joel spread the stone with the help of Daniel, Sarah, and Juan Victor Cabrera. Most of the stone was spread for about 100 feet on the bridge. A few wheelbarrows full of stone were used to fill in the sides of the composting outhouse.

Brush on

Beach Rd: Brush cut this fall on the Leary's side of the beach road needs to be removed. Joel will check with David to see if he could remove it. Ellen offered her assistance if needed.

Kaplan Dock

Status: Sue Bailey of the CT DEP in Hartford sent Joel a copy of the paperwork for their approval of the Kaplan dock, dated December 23rd, 2009. DEP sends a copy of the approval to the CT Army Corps of Engineers who may or may not make recommendations on the plan. The final approval was given for a fixed pier and dock on the side of the Kaplan property farthest from our beach, extending out in the Sound near their new guesthouse. Joel will touch base with the Kaplan's to keep the lines of communication open with our new neighbors.

Rose Bush

Eradication: The rose bushes are an invasive species in the Long Lot and need to be both cut and sprayed. The plan is to both cut and spray in the spring as soon as the leaves start to bud and spray again in the fall. The rose bushes need to be removed as they are cut, so the roots can be sprayed. This will take at least a few people to do all the work needed. The herbicide used to spray has a short-term breakdown and will not affect cattle in the Long Lot. Joel will call Bill Leete to see if he will be on board again to cut the rose bushes. This is usually done mid April to mid May depending on when the buds come out.

Pasture

Rental: Barbara and John Hammarlund are again interested in renting the pasture but we don't know how many animals they will bring or when they will come in. Ellen will post an ad on Craigslist to see if there is any new interest in renting the pasture.

Fence Line: Board members will do a fence walk on February 27th at 10:00 a.m. to determine if any work needs to be done on the fence line. If so, family members involved in the past will be polled to plan a workday, hopefully for sometime in April.

Technology: Kate sent out an e-mail to all shareholders with e-mail addresses on record to see if they would be interested in receiving minutes by e-mail. About 10 shareholders have expressed interest so far. Discussion about a possible Benton Beach website was also brought up. Kate will contact Tim Chemacki to see if he can attend the May meeting to talk about what a Benton Beach website might look like.

Calendar

of Events: Please contact Kate (kate.fales@gmail.com or 401-932-5894) for event scheduling. Events scheduled so far include:
June 15th – Alpha Club Picnic, Lynne Ott

Mower: Ellen will contact Forrest to see if he would be interested in servicing the mower this year. The mower needs a gas cap and the blades may need sharpening. Lynne Ott will be coordinating the mowing schedule this summer. The board would like to thank Carolyn for all of her years of dedication to making the mowing schedule.

Newsletter: Kate will contact Tim to see if he is willing to do a spring newsletter. As of print time, Tim has agreed to do a spring newsletter and would love to have submissions for it. If you have anything to put in the newsletter please e-mail Tim (spaceexplorer@gmail.com). All submissions need to be in by April 10th.

Work Day: The annual Benton Beach Work Day will be on Saturday, May 15th. Ellen will send out reminder notices about five weeks before the date.

Fireplace

Construction:

Ellen will invite Mike Schaefer, who is a mason, to the April meeting to get his ideas and plans about re-building the fireplace this spring, which he has graciously offered to do.

Next

Meeting: The next meeting will be on April 5th, 2010 at 6:30, starting at Benton Beach and moving to the home of Marjorie Spalding on Vineyard Pt. Rd. in Guilford.

Adjourn-

ment: Lynne made a motion to adjourn the meeting as business was completed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kate Fales
Secretary, BBC

–Benton Beach Corporation–
Treasurer's Report
February 8, 2009

Income

Shareholder assessments received.....	\$ 3720.68
Hammarlund pasture rental.....	30.00
TOTAL INCOME.....	\$ 3750.68

Expenses

Postage.....	\$ 26.90
Shareholder's meeting ½ lasagna.....	45.00
Secretary of State Annual Report.....	150.00
The Stone Agency- 2010 Annual Liability Insurance	1060.00
Returned check fee (Hammarlund).....	+ 10.00
TOTAL EXPENSES.....	1291.90

Recapitulation

Opening balance from 12/14/2009.....	\$ 899.47
Plus income (above).....	+ 3750.68
	\$4,650.15
Minus expenses (above).....	- 1,291.90
Closing balance in operating account (2/8/2010).....	\$ 3,358.25

Other Accounts

*Capital Account (as of 11/30/2009).....	\$18,279.44
Legal Account (as of 11/30/2009).....	\$ 4,324.42

*CD rollover on March 29, 2010

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen B. Fales, Treasurer