

Benton Beach Corporation
Regular Board of Directors Meeting
April 5th, 2010

Present:

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

Absent:

Jennifer B. Ruiz (attended beach portion)
Carolyn B. Helander

Quorum: The meeting started at Benton Beach at 6:30pm and moved to the home of Marjorie B. Spalding, 365 Vineyard Point Road, Guilford, CT. The meeting was called to order at 7:45pm with a quorum present.

Secretary's

Report: The minutes for the meeting held on February 8th, 2010 were read aloud and one correction was noted. The date on the top of the February 8th treasurer's report should say '2010' instead of '2009'. Lynne made a motion to accept the minutes with the above noted corrections. Heather seconded the motion and it carried.

Treasurer's

Report: Ellen reported that there had been \$741.75 in income received for the period and \$1126.45 in expenses. The opening balance on 02/08/2010 was \$3358.25 with a closing balance of \$2973.55 as of 04/05/2010. There are still 17 out of 37 outstanding assessments. The Capital Improvement Fund, currently held in a Guilford Savings Bank CD matured in March and was renewed for a 1 year term at .9%. Heather made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Todd seconded the motion and it carried. A copy of the report is enclosed.

Calendar

of Events: Please contact Kate (kate.fales@gmail.com or 401-932-5894 only) for event scheduling. Events scheduled so far include:

- Friday, April 23rd - Campfire, hosted by Sarah Cabrera 6:30pm-9:00pm
10 ppl.
- Saturday, April 24th - Fence Line/Long Lot Work Day 8:30am
- Saturday, April 24th- Sunday, April 25th- Boy Scout Campfire/Campout,
hosted by David Ott 1:00pm-10:00am 20 ppl.
- Saturday, May 15th - Benton Beach Work Day 8:30am
- Tuesday, June 15th – Alpha Club Picnic, hosted by Lynne Ott 4:00pm
- Sunday, July 4th – Church Picnic, hosted by Edwin Benton 12:00pm-
7:00pm 25 ppl.
- Sunday, July 11th – Fales Family Party, hosted by Ellen Fales 12:00pm-
6:00pm 25 ppl.
- Saturday, July 17th – Clapboard Hill Reunion, hosted by Joel Helander
2:00pm-8:00pm 40-60 ppl. (Sunday, July 18th rainout date)
- Saturday, July 31st-Benton Family Picnic 1:00pm
- Friday, August 6th-Sunday, August 8th- Tim & Sharon Chemacki
Campout
- Friday, August 13th-Friday, August 20th- Fales/Schaefer Campout, hosted
by Ellen Benton Fales & Sandy Benton Schaefer

Fireplace

Construction:

Mike Schaefer, a mason, attended the meeting to discuss the building of a new fireplace. The shape and location of the fireplace was discussed at the beach. The discussion continued during the meeting as to the design of the fireplace. The foundation needs to be a concrete pad 5” thick to prevent cracking. The “arms” of the fireplace will be blue stone. The rest of the fireplace will be mortared together with fieldstone and granite. Joel will research the materials needed to complete the fireplace and Mike will look at them. The plan is to do the fireplace at the end of May. It will probably take Mike a weekend to complete with the assistance of his brother Dan. Enclosed is a rough sketch of the new fireplace.

Brush on

Beach Rd: Joel, Peter Ott, and a friend of his removed the brush that was cut last fall, from the Leary's side of the beach road.

Pasture

Rental: Joel talked to Barbara Hammarlund again but did not get a commitment date for the cattle. The board discussed the idea of a short letter to the Hammarlunds to encourage early delivery of the cattle. Kate agreed to write a letter to the Hammurlands.

Fence Line: Joel and Ellen walked the fence line and found a 120' line from the corner of the Etter/Klein property, extending out to the creek that needs fixing. Todd secured a few cedar poles for free to use for the fence line. There is also a small spot near the bar way along the beach road that needs barbed wire. Another spot is the fencing behind Roger Benton's former house, an area where the cattle spend a great deal of time. There will be a combined Fence Line Workday and Rose Bush Eradication Day on Saturday, April 24th, 2010 with a downpour date of Sunday, April 25th, 2010. The day will begin at 8:30am.

Technology: Tim Chemacki will attend the May meeting to talk about what a Benton Beach website might look like.

Mower: Ellen contacted Forrest who does not have the tools to service our old mower and does not feel comfortable servicing it. Lynne will call Giant Oak to see how much it would cost to service it. The mower needs an oil change and a general service. Joel made a motion to authorize Lynne to spend up to \$200 in pursuit of mower servicing. Todd seconded it and it carried.

Mowing

Schedule: The mowing schedule should start in mid-April and be done every two weeks. Lynne Ott will be coordinating the mowing schedule this summer.

Newsletter: Tim Chemacki will be publishing a spring newsletter. Please send any submissions to Tim (spaceexplorer@gmail.com) as soon as possible.

Work Day: The annual Benton Beach Work Day will be on Saturday, May 15th. Ellen will get paint and other materials needed for the day. It will start at 8:30am.

Family

Picnic: The annual Benton Family Picnic will be held on Saturday, July 31st starting at 1:00pm. The downpour date will be Sunday, August 1st.

Beach

Signs: The board discussed the concerns about signs at the beach, indicating that it is private. Several of the signs have fallen into disrepair. Ellen will bring the signs she has to the Work Day and check on the one at the end of the dock.

Cut Trees: Joel requested permission to top one cedar tree in the long lot that is hindering his view. Ellen made a motion to approve this, Lynne seconded it and it carried.

Outhouse: Ellen reported that the outhouse is ready for use. She will purchase more sawdust for the summer. Hosts are responsible for the cleanliness of the outhouse both before and after an event. This includes cleaning the inside of the stall (cleaning supplies located on the shelf above the toilet seat). Also, if the sawdust pile under the seat is high, hosts should unlatch the back panel of the bin and use the wire rake located there to rake the pile towards the back of the bin.

Next

Meeting: The next meeting will be on May 10th, 2010 starting at Benton Beach at 6:30pm and moving to the home of Joel Helander 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 9:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kate Fales
Secretary, BBC

–Benton Beach Corporation–
Treasurer's Report
April 5, 2010

Income

Shareholder assessments received.....	\$	741.75
(above are 4 shareholder assessments, 17/37 still outstanding)		
TOTAL INCOME.....	\$	741.75

Expenses

Postage.....	\$	48.65
James Devoe trucking, 1 ¼" trap rock for bridge		150.00
Royal Printing –copies		10.60
Transferred 2010 budgeted amt (10%) to Legal Acct		458.60
Transferred 2010 budgeted amt(10%)toCapital Impr CD	+	<u>458.60</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES.....		1,126.45

Recapitulation

Opening balance from 2/8/2010.....	\$	3358.25
Plus income (above).....	+	<u>741.75</u>
		\$4,100.00
Minus expenses (above).....	-	<u>1,126.45</u>
Closing balance in operating account (4/5/2010).....	\$	2,973.55

Other Accounts

*Capital Account (as of 3/26/2010).....	\$18,870.16
Legal Account (as of 3/26/2010).....	\$ 4,785.50

2010 budgeted amt of \$458.60 (10%) was added to each of these accounts on 3/26/10

*CD rolled over on March 29, 2010
New 1 year term at 0.9%

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen B. Fales, Treasurer

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