

Benton Beach Corporation  
Regular Board of Directors Meeting  
June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010

Present:

Joel E. Helander  
Donna S. Chemacki  
Todd Chemacki  
Lynne S. Ott  
Ellen B. Fales  
Kate Fales  
Heather Collinson

Absent:

Jennifer B. Ruiz  
Carolyn B. Helander  
Marjorie B. Spalding (Honorary Member)

**Quorum:** The meeting was called to order at 7:03pm with a quorum present at the home of Joel Helander, Vineyard Pt. Road.

**Secretary's**

**Report:** The minutes for the meeting held on May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2010 were read aloud. The following corrections were made: On page 3, Donna Chemacki was inadvertently left off the list of volunteers for the fence work day; On page 3, the fence line behind the former Roger Benton property was not done until work day; On page 3, change "roots" to "stumps" under Rose Bush Eradication. Lynne made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. Heather seconded the motion and it carried.

**Treasurer's**

**Report:** Ellen reported that there had been \$0 in income received for the period and \$151.24 in expenses. The opening balance on 05/10/2010 was \$2226.18 with a closing balance of \$2074.94 as of 06/14/2010. There are still 17 out of 37 outstanding assessments. Second shareholder assessment notices will be sent out next month. Lynne 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) for event scheduling. Events scheduled so far include:

- Saturday, July 10th – Sunday, July 11<sup>th</sup>: Picnic/Campout hosted by Kathryn Benton 12:00pm Saturday-12:00pm Sunday; Max 20 ppl.
- Sunday, July 11th - Fales Picnic hosted by Ellen Benton Fales 12:00pm-6:00pm; 25 ppl.
- Saturday, July 17th - Clapboard Hill Reunion Picnic hosted by Joel Helander and Carolyn Helander 2:00 pm-8:00pm; 100 ppl. (Rain Date: Sunday, July 18th)
- Monday, July 19th - Picnic/Campfire hosted by Sarah and Daniel Cabrera 6:00pm-10:00pm 12-15 ppl.
- Thursday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> – 41ers Picnic Luncheon hosted by Carolyn Helander 12:00pm-3:00pm; 5-8 ppl.
- Saturday, July 31st - Annual Benton Family Picnic Starts @1:00 pm
- Friday, August 6th - Sunday, August 8th - Campout hosted by Tim and Sharon Chemacki 12pm Friday-12pm Sunday; Max 25 ppl.
- Wednesday, August 18th – Monday, August 23rd - Campout hosted by Ellen Benton Fales and Sandy Benton Schaefer 12pm Wednesday-12pm Monday; Max 10 ppl.
- Monday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> – Picnic/Campfire hosted by Sarah Cabrera 6:00pm-10:00pm; 10-15 ppl.
- Tuesday, August 24th - Wednesday, August 25th - Campout hosted by Laura Collinson 12pm Tuesday-12pm Wednesday; Max 5 ppl.
- Saturday, August 28<sup>th</sup>- Picnic hosted by Eliot Benton 12:00pm-8:00pm; 40-50 ppl.

Cattle: The Hammarlunds delivered the first three cows on May 22<sup>nd</sup>. One of the cows, Eureka, is pregnant. Vinny and Mutley are the males. On June 13<sup>th</sup> three more cattle came in. Reba, a female, is suffering from chronic distress from being separated from her calf and is often heard bellowing. She is however the leader of the back. The other two cows are Deirdre and Joslin.

Fence Line: Joel, Kate, and Ellen worked on the fence line behind the former property of Roger Benton (now owned by Billy and Wendy Zabel) during Benton Beach Work Day. The fence there is a temporary fix until the Zabel's decide if they want the cattle to continue to graze on their land.

Fireplace  
Update:

Ellen and Kate talked with Mike Schaefer and sent him a letter with the desired specifications of our new fireplace. Mike will work on it in September or October. The specifications of the fireplace are as follows: 4.5 ft. wide by 3 ft. deep by 20 in. high.

Technology:

Tim Chemacki has secured the website bentonbeach.com. Kate will e-mail Tim to see about a password to access the website and what the next steps are in building the website.

Mowing

Schedule: Lynne Ott is coordinating the mowing schedule this summer. People are still needed to mow in July, August, and September. Please contact Lynne to help out, especially if you are at the beach for a weekend event. Joel complimented Lynne on her dedication to coordinating the mowing schedule.

Newsletter: Please continue to send submissions at any time for future newsletters! Poems, articles, photographs, etc. are welcome. Any submissions should be sent to Tim Chemacki: (space.explorer@gmail.com).

Work Day: A big thank you to all who volunteered their time at the annual work day. Putting the canopy up alone took over two hours because of the wind. Eliot Benton provided great assistance with bungee cords. The following work was also done: raking the beach, tying down the dock pieces, staining and painting the picnic tables, cleaning the outhouse, filling in holes in the driveway with extra shells and rocks from the beach, putting up new signs at the barway, the granite marker, the wood pile, the beginning of the parking lot, and end of the dock, washing the life ring, and weedwacking. Joel took the old wood pile to the dump and cut some of the brush. He is going to rearrange the wood pile so that we can put a canopy on it. Joel will also look into getting a board to fix the broken board on the deck under the canopy.

## Fireplace

### Maintenance:

The board expressed concern about the proper usage and disposal of material from the fireplace. Ash **MUST BE** deposited behind the designated boat storage area east of the eastern breakwater. Do not mix sand with ashes!! It creates a mess on the beach and in the fireplace. Do not extinguish fire with sand! Donna suggested making a sign for the ashes and Ellen volunteered to do it.

## Family

### Picnic:

The annual Benton Family Picnic will be held on Saturday, July 31<sup>st</sup> starting at 1:00pm. The downpour date will be Sunday, August 1<sup>st</sup>. The theme is “old fashioned favorites”. This can include recipes and clothing if you would like. Ellen will send out a notice about the family picnic. Tide is high at 3:16pm. Bring one main dish and an appetizer or a dessert. Bring your own drinks. The board will provide the paper goods. Ellen will go to Sam’s club and get paper goods.

## Cabana

### Repair:

The cabana umbrella is badly in need of repair. Donna will call Edwin Benton to get some more information about the umbrella.

## Outhouse:

The beach is a busy place in the summer. Therefore, hosts of events 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.

## Beach

### House:

There is an updated first aid kit in beach house for those who need it while at the beach.

## Kaplan

### Dock:

We continue to appreciate the Kaplan dock not being able to be viewed from our beach. Joel has kayaked over to view the

project. Steel girders are needed and required by DEP for their pier.

#### Agreement

##### With Zabels:

The Zabels would like to enter into an agreement with the Benton Beach Corporation about use of their land for our cattle. Their attorney created a legal document so that both sides could enter into agreement. The license is for the finite period of May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010 to November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010. It allows us to enter the premises to fix the fence and allows us to have tenants as agents of the corporation to keep cattle there. Joel made a motion to authorize himself to address questions that were posed regarding the draft agreement and the final draft copy to be reviewed by the president and if agreed, empower the president to sign the document. Lynne seconded the motion and it carried.

#### Next

Meeting: The next meeting will be on July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at 6:30pm at 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 9:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kate Fales  
Secretary, BBC

–Benton Beach Corporation–  
Treasurer’s Report  
June 14, 2010

Income

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Shareholder assessments received..... None  
( 17/37 shareholders still outstanding)  
TOTAL INCOME..... \$ 00.00

Expenses

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Joel Helander, work day expenses, incl 660 lbs to dump.....66.26  
Tim Chemacki, Web domain name, bentonbeach.com.....9.99  
Ellen Fales, barbed wire, fence work day supplies.....74.99  
  
TOTAL EXPENSES..... \$151.24

Recapitulation

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Opening balance from 5/10/2010.....\$ 2,226.18  
Plus income (above).....+ 0  
\$2,226.18  
Minus expenses (above).....- 151.24  
Closing balance in operating account (5/10/2010)..... \$2,074.94

Other Accounts

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen B. Fales, Treasurer