



TOWN OF BARNSTABLE

SANDY NECK BOARD

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Sandy Neck Board Meeting June 09, 2014

Chairman:

Richards French

Vice Chairman:

William Carey

Board Members:

Lynn Heslinga
Nate King
George Muhlebach
Tom O'Neill
Peter Sampou

Council Liaisons:

Ann Canedy
Phil Wallace

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Sandy Neck Board was held on June 09, 2014 at the Selectmen's Conference Room, 367 Main Street, Hyannis, MA. The meeting was called to order at 7:31 pm by Chairman Rich French.

Roll Call:

- Board Members present: Lynne Heslinga, George Muhlebach, Tom O'Neil, Pete Sampou, Nate King and Rich French. Bill Carey arrived late.
- Staff: Nina Coleman, Sandy Neck Park Manager; and Debbie Lavoie, Secretary Pro Tem.
- Council Liaison present: Phil Wallace.
- Council Liaison absent: Ann Canedy.
- Public: Wendy Paquette, Diane Lomba, and Kylie Palomba.

Act on Minutes:

- On a **motion** by Nate King and seconded by George Muhlebach, the Sandy Neck Board voted to approve the May minutes are printed.

Correspondence:

- Nate King received a letter from the Town stating he was reappointed to the Sandy Neck Board however, it states "as a member in lieu of recreation commission rep. member." He is not in lieu of a recreation member and never has been one. He wants that clarified. He is a member at large. Councilor Wallace offered to communicate with Barbara Ford, Administrator to the Town Council.

Staff Report:

Nina Coleman addressed the Board:

- Memorial Weekend was good and the next weekend even better. Extremely busy.
- Gatehouse is open daily from 8 am to 9 pm. (The Gatehouse is staffed 24 hours but not open to the public).
- The beach curfew is 11:00 pm. You must be airing up and off the beach by 11:00 pm. You must be past the Gatehouse by 9:00 pm to stay on the beach until 11:00 pm.
- The concession stand is open with limited hours. They will be open 7 days a week starting on June 21st until Labor Day. Sunday - Thursday 10:00 am - 7:00 pm. Friday and Saturday: 10:00 am - 9:00 pm. Visit their Facebook page, Snack Shack at Sandy Neck Beach. Good food!
- Beach closure happened today (June 9th). Closed east of Trail 2 which means open for 2 miles. Now 26 plover nests. 11 still in eggs. 8 have hatched. 6 were predated and one was abandoned. Terns are nesting now. Trail 6 to the point is where most of the nests are located. Excellent habitat in that area.
- Diamond Terrapins nest activity is occurring. There was a "Headstarted" Turtle release on Sunday. Over hundred people were present. More releases soon.
- There will be a turtle walk "In Search of Diamondback Terrapins on Sandy Neck" on Wednesday July 9th from 10 am – noon. Sandy Neck Manager Nina Coleman and Mass Audubon's Ian Ives will lead this walk. For more information, call Long Pasture Wildlife Sanctuary at 508-362-7475 or Town's website: www.town.barnstable.ma.us/SandyNeckPark/events/eventshome.aspx.
- July 4th should be a busy weekend with two miles of beach open. Parking plan with 30 foot corridor will be in place.
- Nina Coleman will try to attend the Cottage Colony annual meeting.

Old Business:

Continuation of the Town of Sandwich fee discussion.

Rich French reported:

- Nothing new to report. This will remain on the agenda. Rich French will contact Asst. Town Manager Mark Ells for an update.

Emergency hearing request to impose a new Sandy Neck parking permit for non-residents for calendar year 2015.

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New Business:

- None

Note:

- There was an informal discussion among the Board Members regarding State and Federal permits, other ORV beaches on the Cape, and the Beach Access Coalition.

Public Comment:

- None

Adjournment:

- There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Lavoie, Secretary Pro Tem