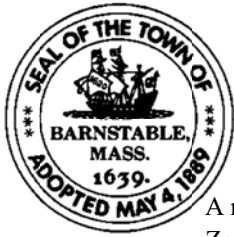


TOWN OF BARNSTABLE SANDY NECK BOARD

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Sandy Neck Board Meeting October 19, 2020

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Sandy Neck Board was held on October 19, 2020 at 7:00 pm by remote Zoom meeting. *In accordance with the Governor's Order Prohibiting Gatherings of More Than 10 People, issued on March 15, 2020, and effective through May 18, 2020, unless further extended, the June 8, 2020 public meeting of the Sandy Neck Board shall be physically closed to the public to avoid group congregation.*

Chairman:
Thomas O'Neill

ViceChairman:
Peter Sampou

BoardMembers:
Ann Canedy
William Carey
William Monroe
Hank Farnham
Joe O'Brien

CouncilLiaison:
Gordon Starr
Kris Clark

Roll Call:

- Board Members remotely present: Tom O'Neill, Pete Sampou, Bill Monroe, Bill Carey and Joe O'Brien.
- Board Member absent: Hank Farnham and Ann Canedy.
- Staff: Division Director Natural Resources, Nina Coleman and Donna Bragg, Operations Supervisor.
- Staff Member absent: None.
- Council Liaisons present: None.
- Public: Wendy Paquette.
- Guest Speaker: None.

Act on Minutes:

- On a **motion** by Pete Sampou and seconded by Joe O'Brien, the Sandy Neck Board voted by Roll call to approve the September 14 minutes as printed. * **Taken out of order.**

Public Comment: None.

Correspondence:

- Tom O'Neill addressed the Board. Tom and Board member Hank Farnham had emailed back and forth and Hank is progressing in his recovery and may return to the Board as soon as he is able.
- Tom O'Neill addressed the Board. Tom received a letter from Millway area regarding an ongoing dispute over access to their beach. Nina Coleman is sending letter up the chain of command as well as Legal department. This does not impact Sandy Neck.

Staff Report:

Nina Coleman addressed the Board.

- Through Columbus Day. User ship is up. ORV, camping and hiking. Busy but fairly uneventful.
- Town charged for public beach through September 20th. Beach parking revenues are up.
- ORV permit sales are down.
- Storm out of north combined with big tides resulted in some erosion to frontal dune at public beach. Discussion followed regarding funds for sacrificial sand.
- Hunting started Saturday October 17th for pheasants as well as rabbit. Signs have been posted at trail heads. Hunter sign in sheet posted at Gatehouse. There is no hunting on Sundays. No hunting on front beach. Hunters must be 150' from beach.

- November 1st start winter curfew. All vehicles must be off beach by 4 pm. No campfires allowed. No charge for permitted campers/chase vehicles.
- Nina Coleman addressed the Board and introduced Chris Kelsey the Barnstable Police Department liaison to Sandy Neck Beach Park.

Old Business:

1. Conservation and beach erosion along our coastlines.

- Ann Canedy had sent the Board a report regarding beach erosion on the coastline. There will be further discussion regarding invitation to Tom O'Shea, Director of Coastal Resources, at The Trustees of Reservations to present to the Board.

2. Economic sustainability.

- Nina Coleman addressed the Board on **updated Proposed Fees for 2021. * See attachment.** Campfire on Public Beach \$20. Increase Resident Off Road Vehicle Permit by \$5, Non-Resident increase by \$10, Property Owner increase by \$5. Trailers increase by \$10. Two wheel drive test \$25. **Day after Labor Day** ORV Permit proposed fees: Resident \$50, Non-Resident \$100, Property Owners \$15. **Day after Columbus Day** proposed ORV Permit proposed fees: Resident \$30, Non-Resident \$60, Property Owner \$15.
- After discussion, on a motion by Pete Sampou and seconded by Joe O'Brien, the Sandy Neck Board voted by roll call to accept revised Proposed Fees for Sandy Neck 2021. **Motion carried.**
- Tom O'Neill addressed the Board regarding setting up a time to discuss what the Sandy Neck Team has learned in the year of Covid.

3. Public outreach and public use & participation. Taken out of order.

- Bill Monroe addressed the Board. Brennen Lowen, Eagle Scout with Troop 54 and his team built 37 Tree Swallow bird houses for in front of the Halfway House. They also cleaned the debris up around the Halfway House. They did a great job and wish to adopt the Halfway House for future projects. They would like to do a dozen bird houses for in front of the Lean-To. Discussion and thanks followed. Tom O'Neill will write a letter of thanks.

New Business: None.

Matters not reasonably anticipated by the Chair: None.

Public Comment:

- Wendy Paquette addressed the Board stating everything looked good.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Bragg, Secretary Pro Tem

Attachments:



Proposed FEE
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