

Sandy Beach Commission  
Minutes  
August 19, 2021

Present: Ed Ryle, Chair, Tom Mathews, Jenn Parsons, Denise Parker, Terry Conner, Andy Parker, Pam Wray, Connie Gillman, Todd Dyer, Beach Manager, remote.

Absent: Karen Brady, Corinne Houle

The meeting was called to order @ 6:10 PM.

Move to accept the minutes from the June 17, 2021 meeting: Jenn Parsons, second: Pam Wray. All in favor.

Treasurer's report: Cash balance: \$13, 917.84.

Correspondence: An email was received from Matt Laurentano offering help with end-of-season clean-up, moving equipment, docks, etc. Mr. Laurentano also offered new signs, as needed, and requested to again store docks at the beach during the off-season.

● **Old Business:**

● Restoration project: Jenn Parsons will once again contact Michael Berry of the White Memorial Foundation regarding the oak tree for the beach. They will provide an additional tree for the beach this fall. TAHD Inspector visited the beach. We are considered a Class 1 facility regarding cooking at the beach. They have significant requirements for cooking and grilling inside the concession stand. The Commission will continue to provide prepackaged snacks, drinks and ice cream. No food preparation is allowed. The case for food storage is in place. The food service area is now partitioned off. Pricing for windows for the snack building will be investigated. Work on the cottage porch continues. The basketball hoop will be installed. Plantings are in place. Options for places for storage units were discussed.

● **New Business:**

- Beach Manager update - 284 Beach passes were sold. Sundays were especially busy. Some staff has left for college. Staffing should be adequate for the rest of the season. Patrons showed great interest in kayak storage this year. Work on the storage in the old snack shack and possible use for this area is still being considered. WSI will be needed for next year. Certification is necessary to provide more consistent, structured instruction. Session 1 had 90+ students, Session 2 had 75 students, Session 3 had 60 students. The partnership with CT Watersports went well. Movie Night went well despite the limited attendance.
- Ski Show - Ed Ryle and Tom Mathews will meet with the BLSC to discuss future events and possible changes.
- Septic - Terry Conner will arrange for septic clean out this fall.

Move to adjourn: Pam Wray, second: Pam Wray. All in favor. Meeting adjourned @ 7:11 PM. The next meeting will be held on **Thursday, September 16th @ 6:00 PM at Sandy Beach.**

