

Town of Kennebunkport
Beach Advisory Committee Meeting
Goose Rocks Beach Fire Station
August 20, 2013 @ 6:45

Members present: Bob Sherman, Richard Driver, Paul Hogan, Beth Ramsey, Meg Barry, Katie Nixon

Members absent: Mike Weston, Stuart Barwise

Others present: Town Manager: Larry Mead

A quorum was present.

The Secretary's report from July 16, 2013 meeting was approved.

Old Business:

Larry Mead reviewed the data from this summer about traffic/parking violations. Six thousand five hundred passes were sold for a net income of \$90,000.00. 168 Fire Permits were issued.

Operating expenses that occurred before July 1, 2013 came out of the contingency fund. The Dyke Rd extension was surveyed to establish existing boundaries. It has narrowed down over the years. \$14,000.00 was spent this summer from the 2013 budget mostly for beach patrol and equipment. Larry commented on the status of the ditch at the Norwood Lane entrance to the beach.

This is Larry's last meeting with the BAC because he will be the Town Manager for Old Orchard Beach, Maine starting September 13, 2013. The BAC gave Larry a framed picture of Native Americans and Pilgrims from the New Yorker with a caption, "Sorry, but this beach is for residents only".

Carol Sherman reported that 11 fledgling Piping Plovers successfully left GRB. All signs will come down until next April. She envisions an educational "plover Fest" next July and August. After a "take" at Scarborough Beach by an unleashed dog, Scarborough's Dog Ordinance may be changed. Presently, dogs are allowed on the beach in the morning unleashed. Larry thanked Carol for taking the volunteer role of "Plover Protector".

Bob thanked the Communications subcommittee for the brochure and signage that were informative and set a positive tone. He noted that the BAC has not added any new rules this summer. He encouraged the public to let us know about problems so that we can address them. The public can contact the BAC by emailing grbadvisory@gmail.com

Comments from audience:

-New Biddeford Rd can be impassable at times

-Kings Highway (1 parking space) @ Bellewood should be eliminated. Another space on Kings Highway would need to be marked to replace it.

- Suggestion that New Biddeford Rd. from the open field to Kings Highway be posted for 20 MPH. Presently, the speed limit is 25 MPH.
- People parked over the white line on Kings Highway narrowing the road. It was suggested that the plant growth be trimmed back to the rocks to make a better space.
- A broken railing at the Bartlett Ave Public Way was reported. Larry emailed the Public Works Department.
- Parking on back roads especially in dangerous spots. BAC will discuss this problem.

Meg and Katie arranged us into small groups for discussion. A list of positive and negative outcomes was compiled along with future goals. An overall plan will be decided upon for the BAC to work on in preparation for next summer.

Alex Lachiatto presented a program concerning Emergency preparedness. He had a handout from FEMA entitled, "Basic Disaster Supplies Kit" @ Ready.gov. He encouraged everyone to take a look at the website and prepare their home for a future disaster on the Coast of Maine.

A workshop meeting is planned for August 27, 5:30 PM at the GRB Fire Station. The Public is invited to attend.

Respectfully submitted,
Beth Ramsey
BAC Secretary

Financial information: In addition, with respect to expenditures from the beach fund, through August 15, \$14,135 has been expended on personnel costs for Police beach patrol, \$150 for BAC meeting support, and \$230 on the ditch issue.

In FY13, prior to the beach fund being established, there was \$1,900 spent on supplies (uniforms, bike for patrol) for police patrol services, \$2,485 spent on signs and brochures, \$3,000 spent on survey and related research to establish the boundaries of the Dyke Rd ROW access to the beach. These expenditures were charged to the contingency account in the general operating budget.

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Kennebunkport Police Department:

**Kennebunkport Police Department - Overview of the enforcement activity from 06/15/2013 thru
08/12/2013 at Goose Rocks Beach**

Parking Tickets Issued with Violation Breakdown

<u>Violation</u>	<u>Occurrences</u>
Too Close to Corner	1
Fire Lane	2
No GRB Permit	328
Handicapped	1
Improper Parking	39
Obstructing Traffic	2
GRB Permit not Affixed	2
Restricted Area	27
Total	409

Police Complaints Received by Offense

<u>Offenses</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Assault	1
Burglary	1
Burglary of a Motor Vehicle	9
Theft by Unauthorized Taking	6
Possession of Marijuana	1
Violating Condition of Release	1
Municipal Ordinance Violation	2
Warning Possession of Drug Paraphernalia	1
Total	22

Beach Stickers Sold (as of 08-07-2013)

Parking Permits Issued by Police Department

Residential	660
Daily	3465
Weekly	190
Seasonal	149
Sub-total	4464

Parking Permits Issued by Town Office

Residential	1544
Daily	419
Weekly	7
Seasonal	54
Sub-total	2024

Total	6488
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Fire Permits Issued from 06-15-2013 thru 08-12-2013

Total	168
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From: ↵ Craig Sanford
Subject: Beach Complaints
To: ↵ Larry Mead

August 12, 2013 3:54:24 PM

We have 4 fire complaints (smoke, debris)

2 boat complaints (one leaking gas, one rental left on beach)

4 land use complaints (chairs in a certain area, chairs being moved, people in an area not the 25 foot zone)

No citations or warnings needed in any of these situations.

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From: 📧 Craig Sanford
Subject: Re: Speed enforcement
To: 📧 Larry Mead

August 12, 2013 3:35:57 PM

There have been 46 radar details initiated in the Goose Rocks Beach area since 06-15-2013. All details had low speeds. I should also note I have conducted details myself in my unmarked car with little issue. Craig

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