

Beach Committee Meeting Minutes 2025

April 7, 2025 Present: Committee Members

Present: Christen, Jennifer, and Samantha

Agenda:

- **Update on communications re: nesting eagles** Permitting is done. Eagles appear to still be present.
- **Update on beach repair schedule and fundraiser concert donations** Any update from Sue about Tim Scott social media? Donations are still coming in.
- **Update on fireworks communication from LHA** No other communication
- **Update on new sign with beach rules.** No update- to be announced
- **Decide on structure of the beach pass scholarship application.** Samantha will create the scholarship application based off of (First and Last name, Barnet resident, who will be listed on pass (household) kids and ages, phone #/email, make sure to add we are only paying for \$30 (half) of the pass. Apply May 1 through May 15.
- **Mowing.** Christen suggested since we don't know when the grass will be growing and since Cody (last season's mower) only had half a season due to the flooding should we offer this season to him? Yes, we will contact Cody and see if he wants to do the 2025 season.
- **Other business.** Barnet school and other local schools wanting the pavilion- Christen thought once we know for sure about beach opening we can give them more of a solid answer but in the meantime Samantha explains tentatively put you down for a date with the knowledge of knowing if beach is not finished by that date we cannot.
- **Next meeting (May 5?) Agenda:**
 - Samantha will have the scholarship app. done to send to beach committee to post (will have it done week of 4/7/25)
 - .Interviews for employment (gate attendants) before May 5 meeting (Maybe May 4?)
 - Update on sign?
 - Update on Mowing?
 - Supplies for 2025 season?

- Offer free/discounted passes to people who donate a large sum of money to the beach?
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March 24, 2025 Present: Committee members: Sue Persson, Jen Keirstead, Christen Emerson Beach Manager: Samantha Zita via Zoom

- **Concert Results:** We made Total \$3557 and it was a great day
- **Digital Donations:** If Venmo or PayPal it has to be attached to an account
- **Repair Update:** Fenoff is coming in to trim the bushes. Mark Chase approved the tree trimming and the Fenoffs will repair the damage to Sunny Beach Lane that the Fenoff trucks will likely damage. Lake level is high so the repairs are delayed until it goes down. Fenoff is going to start bringing materials to the beach. We will wait for the dam committee to address this issue. We are on hold pending the dam committee at tonight's select board meeting
- **Eagle Permitting Update:** We have received a general permit that allows the repair work to be done between now and August 31 if it is within the proximity of the nest. Bob Dufresne asked about the fireworks and we said we have a permit for repairs not fireworks. He said the LHA will not be doing the fireworks.
- **Beach Rules:** We need a new sign with the beach rules. There are no changes to be made but we need a new sign. Christen will contact Sign Depot.
- **Beach Employee Application:** Can be found on the town website or the Harvey's Lake Beach website. We are not going to seek lifeguards. We will publicize the applications by April 1st. We will table this because we need to spend an entire meeting Application deadline is May 1st.
- **Employee Handbook:** Christen will find this doc and share it with us. We can review it individually.
- **Scholarship Application Form:** It will be for Barnet families. It will be for \$30 per family and limited to 5 families. Names will be drawn out of a hat. The form should include names, household members. Pass will be from June 1 to September 1st. Include a clause that there is no reimbursement for delayed opening. Scholarship applications will open May 1 and close May 15.
- **Beach concert:** Tentative date July 19, which is the Harvey's Lake weekend. No fireworks and if they have the ice cream social

- **Beach Refrigerator:** Sue will donate. Countertop fridge.
- **Next meeting: April 7 at 6 pm**

Feb. 11, 2025 Present: Committee members: Sue Persson, Jen Keirstead, Christen Emerson Beach manager: Samantha Zita Absent: Committee members Aaron Hall, Chris Yancey

- **Beach Repair Update:** Meeting today with 4 FEMA people. We will send them the contents list (stuff that was in or near the building) Refrigerator make and model, septic pump, chain link fence) Check the well to see if the silt is gone. If not we may have to redrill the well. Pressure tank in the building will need replacing. We will send them the engineer's recommendations on the scour holes repairs. We will get paid for donated time from volunteers who came to help. We need a more detailed quote from Derek Fenoff of Fenoff Excavating.
- **Future Recommendations:** Use a countertop fridge, not a new fridge.
- **Remediation:** The brook that washes down across from the beach is full of debris and silt. The state does not allow dredging.
- **Benefit Concert:** Sue wants to organize a benefit concert for the beach to be held at the Barnet Village Meeting House
- **Beach Financial Record Keeping:** We need to adjust the methods we use based on recommendations of the auditors.
- **Beach Manager Role:** Our beach manager is our assistant town manager as well. Her hours will be more flexible. She is willing to fill in on weekend mornings at the gate if needed. She will be able to cover her previous beach admin duties. We won't take pavilion rentals until after June 13 to ensure that the repairs are all done. If we get requests for earlier dates from our regulars (school groups) we will decide at that time if we can accommodate.
- **Scholarship Procedures and donations:** We have had donations toward scholarships and towards flood repair. We will need a breakdown of what was what. We will offer up to \$30 for scholarships for a maximum of 5 Barnet families. Families can apply for scholarships and will have to do so by a deadline of May 15. We will create an application for families to fill out.
- **Hiring Gate Attendants:** We need to advertise earlier this year so we can interview, hire and train our attendants before the beach opens. We will shoot for April to do this.

- **Tabled:** Beach Rules for 2025, Employee Handbook, Create scholarship application.
- **Next Meeting Date:** Monday March 10, 2025