

# Holden Beach Property Owners Association

## Member Meeting Minutes

4-19-25

A quorum check was performed by Secretary Steve Kimbrough. 23 members are present which does not constitute a quorum (minimum of 25). If a vote is required, another check will be performed to account for any late comers.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

### **President's Report:**

Maria gave a brief president's report. We are a non-profit organization who can only advocate.

Next meeting will be May 24th (the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend).

### **Treasurer's report:**

No treasure's report was given. It will be presented at the next meeting.

### **Old Business:**

Bike lane - The town arranged to have the bike lane swept as many people were complaining about stones from driveways getting into the bike lane.

Sewer Lift station - work is continuing

Block Q - Money for the architect has been assigned for the ADA compliant bathrooms.

Pier - HDR engineering has been tasked with developing a cost estimate for the pier. The current plan is a 1000 ft., timber pier with a "T" on the end.

Construction would be "land out" (i.e., starting from the land, and then construction equipment would work it's way out on the newly build pier). This should reduce cost by avoiding the need for equipment on barge in the water.

The old pier building has been demolished. This will make way for a "land out" construction of a new pier. Questions about financing were raised. One of the members would like to have the HBPOA take a position on the results of the cost estimate.

Dune Maintenance - It was brought up that spring is the time to apply fertilizer to ocean-front dunes. 10-10-10 is the best fertilizer to use.

On-line participation - The members seemed generally in favor of allowing on-line members to be part of the quorum count and be able to vote. The HBPOA by-laws would need to be changed in order to allow on-line participants to be part of the quorum as well as voting. The board will look into how to do this.

Stormwater - HBPOA will collect complaints. The town BOC is working on two specific areas, and have identified another 6 areas and has money for the Army Corps of Engineers to address these 8 areas.

### **New Business:**

Asst. Fire Chief has attended BOC meetings to propose beach warning signs with a QR code which gives current conditions. Each site will include a life saving body (throwable safety device).

Candidates night will be at the town hall on October 17th. Two BOC seats are up for election (Paarfus and Smith), and the Mayor.

### **Questions:**

How much influence does the HBPOA have on the BOC? Depends on the issue, but HBPOA can represent homeowners that are not residents.

What is the status of the pickle ball courts? Parks and Rec recommends placing 4 new courts on block Q. Estimated cost is \$175K.

Potential for a stoplight at the bottom of the bridge. Most people like the 'right turn only' idea, at a minimum. Also, a there-way stop could work. This is an issue for both owners and renters.

HBPOA is a purveyor of facts. While we can't prevent mis-information, we will provide facts.

Would the police department accept volunteers for on/off days. This is something we can bring up to the police chief.

**Adjournment:**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45.