

BHA Monthly Meeting Minutes

Thursday 12/12/24 @ 6pm

Boston Harbor Marina

1. Welcome- Larissa James, President, meeting started at 6:03 pm.
2. Approval of last meeting minutes. Meetings approved as amended: #9 and 10 changed to read BHA Board requested Kim Kelley get more information about PARC Foundation grant application before board makes a decision.
3. Treasurer's Report- Nancy Brown There is \$5287 in the account. Reflects a \$500 donation from Mark Nauber. Doesn't include fee for PayPal (?). Larissa and Nancy set up membership list, mailchimp, and Quickbooks so that members will receive automatic emails when it's time to renew. Yay! Thank you.
4. Discussion about Mailchimp and delayed or no receipt of newsletter. Seems to be mostly comcast addresses but delays for others, too. Nancy will put in a ticket to Mailchimp. Scott will contact Comcast. Kim will look at other services which offer in-email newsletters. Check with Larissa re discounts from Tech Soup.
5. Report about Harbor Stories- very well-received. About 80 people attended. We will do 2-3 more by end of April. Board members let Kim or Kate know if you hear of anyone who'd like to tell stories or who we should invite to tell stories. Kim send Kate reminder about next dates. Kim try to send Larissa long video again via Google drive. Otherwise, do a BHA Google channel. Consider statement that audience might be in video and photographs. Larissa send Kim example language.
6. Report on IvyBeGone project-Making good progress. Over 23 people last time. Next pull is 12/15. Kim send Larissa image for FB post. Kim put on Next Door.
7. Next Trash Pick Up Date? January 25 is next Trash Pick Up date. Same set up as last time. Meet in Burfoot parking lot, get vests from Jackie.
8. January email notice to members instead of newsletter, which is going to every other month. Cover Trash Pick Up, Annual Meeting, Harbor Stories.
9. February newsletter to go out in early Feb to remind people of Annual Meeting and Harbor Stories. [Added later – can post signs at corner re annual meeting, etc.]
10. Fireworks Fundraising Ideas and Committee- concluded we will see what volunteers and donations, per newsletter and email appeals, we get by Annual Meeting. If not adwqate, we will announce at meeting that the Fireworks will not happen. If there's an outcry and lots of donations and volunteers, we will attempt the show.

- a. No community members volunteered so far via website or Facebook or newsletter.
 - b. Kim's idea for Online Auction – a lot of work for very little gain, based on previous experience. Nix this idea.
 - c. Fun Winter Things to Do for Fireworks- Game Night @BH Elementary, Line Dance Lessons, Paint Class, Cooking Class, etc.... each of us take one area and lead/teach or arrange and gain donations. Great ideas but again, a lot of work for little gain. We need big donations to make the fireworks happen.
11. Annual Meeting Agenda- Jackie, contact SBFD to see if they'd like to talk to, listen from community, maybe about Prop 1. please review last year's Power Point Agenda in prep for our January meeting where we will focus on planning the Feb Annual Meeting. Agenda items:
- a. President's update – review survey, what it seems community wants from board, present plan of activities for next year. Go over finances, what dues pay for, what board does.
 - b. County Commissioner – Burfoot Park Expansion Proposal, other
 - c. Utility Advisory board
 - d. SBFD, maybe on Prop 1 outcome and plans
 - e. Fireworks
 - f. Environment Committee – Ivy BeGone, Trash Pick Up, other?
 - g. Elections

Decided not to raise dues at this time. With fireworks show possibly not happening, members might wonder what they get for their dues.

Jackie and Larissa will update PowerPoint.

Kate, Scott, and Nina will help with membership table. Nancy print out membership lists and get cash to make change.

Board members bring snacks.

12. Next meeting is January 6, 6:00 pm at Larissa's house.