

APPROVED ACTIONS
SIXTH TAXING DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
May 16, 2018

I. ATTENDANCE:

PRESENT: Commissioners Mike Barbis and John Igneri, District Treasurer Jim Hendrickson, District Fire Marshal and Property Manager Ed Carlson, District Clerk Andrea Woodworth
ABSENT: Commission Chair Tammy Langalis, District Ass't. Property Manager Jason O'Donnell

II. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- Joe Jensen, 231 Rowayton Avenue, spoke to what he sees are the inadequacies of the current gate to Bayley Beach. He thinks it should be replaced with one at least 6 feet tall that would prevent unauthorized entry after beach hours.
- The update on the Community Center restoration emphasized that it is proceeding on schedule. We have run into some small surprises for which we have adequate financial coverage with our contingency financing.
- Commissioners John Igneri, speaking as a member of the DPW Committee of the Common Council, said that the City is hoping to start work on the dam at the Rowayton School Pond by the end of June. They are trying to accommodate Rowayton Gardeners' concerns regarding some specimen trees that are scheduled for removal.
- McKinley Street resident Joe Warren has offered to look into the ongoing drainage problems at the Bayley Beach Little League field. We have studied this problem for many years now and will continue to search for a workable solution.
- Mr. Barbis mentioned that we are exploring ways to expand the Ambler Parking Lot off Wilson Avenue. The Conservation Commission has asked us to present a plan to them to see what might be done as most of the remaining land there is designated as wetlands.
- District Treasurer Jim Hendrickson submitted his report and said that our expenses for the current Fiscal Year are now at 77% of the budgeted expenses and our income is at 100% of the budgeted income for Fiscal Year 17-18.
- Mr. Hendrickson also said that the funds from the 15-year \$300,000 loan from the City of Norwalk have been received. He asked that we all review budgets and expenses for year end and that we also submit any invoices and/or expense reimbursements for payment before June 30 of this year.
- District Fire Marshal Ed Carlson said that everything has been pretty routine lately. The RFD had responded to two incidents yesterday both involving excess carbon monoxide collection when power washing machines' exhaust were improperly vented allowing the gas to collect in the houses. There were no injuries.
- District Property Manager Ed Carlson said that the dog park is closed for the time being since it has been seeded and they are letting the grass get a good start before reopening the park.
- The bathrooms at Bayley Beach are now open and the floats have been put in for the season.
- New outside faucets were installed at the Pinkney House in Pinkney Park.
- District Clerk Andrea Woodworth reported that she had received questions about the state of the sand at Bayley Beach, especially as pertaining to its being raked. Mr. Barbis informed us that the sand will be professionally raked and smoothed out twice this summer. The Ass't. Mgr. from Weeburn Beach Club, in addition, usually comes over twice a week to rake the sand for us. Mr. Barbis did say that the RCA has indicated a willingness to donate extra sand and the machine to spread it on to the picnic table side of the beach.
- We have had very few complaints about the increase in beach fees. The increase brings us closer to the fees charged by other towns on the Sound.
- Mrs. Woodworth mentioned that a long ago scheduled anniversary party is on the calendar for October 13 and wonders if that is doable considering the ongoing construction. The Commissioners and Mr. Carlson thought that the construction would be finished by then. The Clerk will reach out to the potential renter, though, just for a heads up.

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- The Clerk has had a request from Person to Person in Darien to hold a fundraising party under a tent on the front lawn of the Community Center on September 29, 2018. They wouldn't have formal catering but would bring in several food trucks to serve the guests.
- Dana Jensen, 231 Rowayton Avenue, spoke about the difficulty of walking along Rowayton Avenue toward the village from the light at Cudlipp and Rowayton Avenues. The traffic certainly exceeds the speed limit at that spot. Is there anything to be done?

III. ACTION ITEMS:

- The Commissioners passed a motion by Commissioner John Igneri to approve both the March and the April Draft Minutes previously submitted.
- The Commissioners will await further information before approving a request by Temple Shalom to hold Friday evening services on one or two occasions in July and August.
- The Commissioners approved the scheduling of a large fund raising event to be held at the Community Center front lawn on September 29, 2018 with several caveats. The rental fee will be \$1875.00 and there will need to be a District representative on site for the event.