



TOWN OF BARNSTABLE
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Sandy Neck Board Meeting
June 11, 2018

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Sandy Neck Board was held on June 11, 2018 in the Selectmen's Conference Room, 367 Main Street, Hyannis, MA. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Chairman Richard French.

Roll Call:

- Board Members present: Tom O'Neill, Wendy Paquette, Bill Carey, Pete Sampou, Nate King, Bill Monroe and Rich French. .
- Board Member absent: none.
- Staff: Nina Coleman, Sean Kortis, Natural Resource Officer.
- Council Liaisons present: none.
- Council Liaisons absent: John Flores and Phil Wallace
- Public: Diane Lomba, Kylie Palomba, and Patrick Paquette.

Act on Minutes:

- On a **motion** by Tom O'Neill and seconded by Bill Munroe, the Sandy Neck Board voted to approve the May 14, 2018 minutes as printed.

Correspondence:

- None

Staff Report:

Sean Kortis addressed the board:

- Gatehouse is fully staffed – hours of operation are 8:00am-9:00pm daily
- ORV Beach is open to 0.4 miles. Piping Plover nest hatched out on 6/10/18. Parking plan posted on the Sandy Neck website.
- HCP permit was implemented which helped deter the birds from nesting west of Trail #1 and prevented a full ORV closure.
- There are currently 26 Plover nests in the park. Sandy Neck Board members are welcome to come to the Gatehouse to see the “working board” which displays nest status and general locations.
- The Sandy Neck App seems to be a huge success in getting information out to beach patrons quickly and efficiently through push notifications. This allowed an extra “beach day” for vehicles before moving the closure line for an expected hatch.
- It looks like space will be limited on July 4th. Potentially between .5-1.0 miles of beach.
- Diamondback Terrapin Turtles have begun nesting on the marsh trail. Property owners have been advised to watch for turtles crossing the trail.
- Diamondback Terrapin headstart releases are going well. The public release will take place on June 25th 2018 at 5:30pm at the Sandy Neck Gatehouse.
- Jr. Ranger program starts on July 3rd
- Terrapin Hike on July 9th at 10am
- Osprey are doing well. Osprey nesting on platform next to Halfway House for the first time.

Old Business:***Long-term Coastal Resiliency Alternatives Report including any update regarding plans to seek money to implement this study.***

- Pete Sampou shared an article from May 30th 2018 on the front page of the Cape Cod Times regarding shoring up coastlines. State has acknowledged the concerns of eroding coastlines and is rewarding money to communities to look for alternative solutions.
- Another article was presented from June 10th 2018 from NPR titled “Scientists Urge an Action Plan on Climate Change” in which 100 scientists, town officials, representatives and residents participated in discussing similar issues.
- Both articles were filed on the record.

Winders Lean-to Project***Bill Monroe addressed the Board:***

- Volunteers were out on Saturday May 26th 2018 to continue work on the lean-to. They say it is ~98.5% complete. A few pieces of trim, a sonotube, access stairway and construction debris cleanup appears to be all that remains.
- It is essentially “ready to go” as of now. A dedication ceremony will be planned when the project is 100% complete.
- Bill Monroe thanked all of the individuals involving in helping with the project.

New Business:

- Richard French announced that he has not been re-appointed to the Sandy Neck Board along with Wendy Paquette. This will be their last meeting as board members.
- Ann Canedy and Robert Lovell have been put forward to become the new Sandy Neck Board members.
- A discussion between board members ensued regarding changing of board members.

Matters not reasonably anticipated by the Chair:

- none

Public Comment:

- Patrick Paquette addressed the board regarding changing of Sandy Neck Board members.

Adjournment:

- There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:37 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sean Kortis