

**Little Beach Committee Meeting**  
**February 10, 2021**  
**7 pm**

Meeting recording:

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Attendees: Janice McClanaghan, Anita Langer, Anthony Salvadore

Absent: Marlene Bellini, Bill DelGizzo

Agenda

**Call to order**

Janice called the meeting to order at 7 pm

Approval of minutes January 13, 2021

Two corrections: Date of grant is July 2021, and revised quote from Harry is \$12,000 down from \$24,000

Anthony made the motion to approve as amended, Anita seconded the motion. All present in favor.

**Update on RIEMA/FEMA grant**

Janice informed everyone that RIEMA submitted the grant application to FEMA on 1/28/21. We were required to submit on 1/14/21 to RIEMA so that our portion could be reviewed and then incorporated into their grant application.

At a previous meeting a resident had a question about Dr. King but since Bill is not present tonight, we will need to follow up and respond at the next meeting. Janice will contact Bill with the question.

**Update on Surf Rake proposal/alternatives:**

At the last meeting, it was reported that 20+ requests were sent out to landscapers/contractors for estimates to rake the beach in 2021. No one responded.

Anthony reached out the Walter Manning and both Janice and Anthony have received information. Walter sent to Janice a name of a piece of equipment: **Cherrington Beach Cleaner & Mobile Screener**. At this point, no one is familiar with this product but Janice and Anthony will do further research. Based on the little we do know, it is worth exploration as a possible long term solution. According to the specifications, the equipment has the ability to lift seaweed into a dumpster and bring to a trailer. A quick check online while at this meeting by Anita indicated there are videos and much information on their website. The problem remains accessibility of the equipment to reach the beach without a ramp to go over the rocks, etc. The cost to purchase this piece of equipment is \$45,000 and they offer a 72 month financing option. If we were to purchase this equipment, Walter Manning could operate the equipment and provide an estimate to do so at a reasonable cost to the district. It was agreed that we need to do more investigation but it is definitely worth looking into as an option. Janice and Anthony will continue to pursue. Anthony will contact the company and pass along any information he receives to all the committee members for review and future discussion.

We have not heard from Harry nor received a scope of work or a firm commitment to follow through on his proposal. Janice will continue to pursue this option as well.

#### **Update on ramp:**

At a prior meeting we also talked about a mat that could be placed over the ramp to access the beach. No one has been able to find out the name of this product. Tom Lonergan indicated he had some knowledge of this product and if anyone knows Tom it would be helpful to contact him. It is possible that this new equipment may not require this mat but all options need to be pursued.

#### **Update on seaweed disposal:**

No additional information at this time.

**Public Comment:**

There were no hands raised nor anyone with comments about tonight's meeting or new questions of the committee.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 3, 2021 at 7pm

Anthony made a motion to adjourn and Anita seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.