

STINSON BEACH VILLAGE ASSOCIATION MINUTES: August 5, 2017

- I. Meeting was called to order at 10:02am by Mike Matthews and proper notice was acknowledged.
Board members present were Mike Matthews, Sam Matthews, Terry Gordon, Peter Asmus, Annie Rand and Lee Pollak.
- II. Meeting minutes from July 1, 2017. Mike Matthews asked if there were any amendments required for the July meeting minutes. No corrections required. Mike Matthews made a motion to adopt meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Terry Gordon. Motion passed.
- III. TREASURER'S REPORT: Given by Sam Matthews, noting a \$15,938 balance as of June 1, 2017. The annual appeal letter is being crafted by Sam Matthews and Terry Gordon, and should be ready for mailing sometime this month. Should be received by the end of August. Plans for stuffing and sealing envelopes to be determined.
- IV. OLD BUSINESS: A brief review of plans for the CalTrans Project to create a walkway alongside the highway between the Stinson Beach stop sign and the Calles reminded us all that the timing is not yet known, nor is the exact timing for the completion of the CalTrans Project for Highway 1 known. The last 'official' information we had was a completion date of October.
- V. NEW BUSINESS: Mike Matthews reported on the Alliance of West Marin Village Associations, for which he is our Stinson Beach representative. He noted that he had received a request from Inverness Park for SBVA support regarding the controversy surrounding a housing and building permit for a large home on a local piece of Inverness property. We were in agreement that it is beyond the scope of the Alliance for local communities to weigh in on local issues that do not affect all of the West Marin Villages, and even more important, that do not impact Stinson Beach.
- VI. COMMUNITY REPORTS
 - A. Art Contemporary Marin – No Report
 - B. GGNRA, Tamalpais District – Report from Mia Monroe attached.
Mia added that the Water Treatment plant is working better than expected, and that the Accessible Project is continuing to move forward at a good pace.
Pamela Lichtenwalner complimented the Park Service for keeping the public restrooms so clean, and Mike Matthews complimented Mia for keeping us so informed and updated on Park Service work.
 - C. Bolinas Lagoon Advisory Committee – No Report
 - D. Friends of Bolinas Stinson Beach Libraries
Kerry Livingston reported that the Library is very busy with its last Summer events for children: An Insect Discovery Lab for Children, August 11 @ 1:30pm, and the Howard Shecter and Barbara Lee exhibit hanging until the end of September. There will be an evening reception for this Tuesday, August 15.
 - E. Bolinas - Stinson Union School District
Pamela Lichtenwalner reported that the BPUD Children's Center will be sending most of their 4-year-olds to the Bolinas School, which will increase the activity, and the potential student count for the Bolinas School District. The opening date has not yet been determined. Susan Teshara has been hired, with full salary and benefits.
 - F. Stinson Beach Preschool –
As the preschool has been closed, this item can be removed from the "Community Reports". A 'blow-out' goodbye party is being planned for 8/19. All are invited to this potluck event.
 - G. Village Green 1 & 2

MOANA was the movie shown last night, and it was very well attended. All are pleased with this successful and ongoing community program.

Barbara Boucke reminded us of the Retirement Party being planned for Marcus White, August 31, 5-7pm. Morey Nelson is making display banners. He will get the planks he needs for the display from Mike Matthews, who thinks he has some in his wood pile.

H. Seadrift Association

Terry Gordon reported a conversation he had with Jeff Loomans, the current President of the Seadrift Association, in which Jeff acknowledged that he would be interested in increased contact between both Associations. Terry will call Jeff to pursue this idea, and suggest that a representative be appointed from the Seadrift Association who would attend the SBVA meetings.

I. Stinson Beach Community Center

There will be a Haunted House this year. Organizational plans are already being initiated.

J. Stinson Beach Disaster Council, Fire Protection

Report by Catherine White attached.

K. Volunteer Ambulance Corps and Fire Department – No Report

L. Stinson Beach Historical Society - No Report

M. Stinson Beach Medical Center - No Report

N. Stinson Beach County Water District

Morey Nelson reported that a letter had been sent to GGNRA requesting a meeting to begin discussions for the development of a 'community leach line'. This would be an opportunity for future planning to mitigate potentially serious problems that could/would arise with anticipated climate change and sea level rise in our area. The hope would be to connect low-lying areas to a modified sewer system, rather than to the leach lines which are prone to flooding. (Note there is an IJ article highlighting these issues in today's newspaper.) There is no definitive plan as of yet, and no proposal as to how it would be funded. The process of study and research and community support is just beginning. Morey will keep us advised on progress around this issue.

O. Flood Advisory Board – No Report

P. Stinson Beach Community Church

Annie Rand reported that the probable hire of Pastor Ellen Baxter as the new Pastor is moving forward. She is well liked, and has been so far very well received. Barbara Boucke advocated for people to support the Church by attending services on Sundays.

Q. West Marin Senior Services – No Report

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Traffic

- a. Lee Pollak reported that Jamie Sutton (not present) is continuing conversations with CalTrans and the County, discussing the possibility of deputizing Community Volunteers to be traffic monitors on our busiest traffic days. This is still in process, and issues of training, liability, and organization are on the table.
- b. Louise Wright raised the issue of a stop sign on Avenida Farallones, to protect the children there, and to slow down speeding cars. She asked for support from the Village Association, and for advice on who to contact for help. It was suggested that she cc the letter she is writing to the Village Association, and send it to Dennis Rodoni.

c. Richard Reasoner would like to include, in this request, a plea to move the stop sign already at the Lincoln/Belvedere Intersection, to a more visible spot closer to the actual intersection.

B. Flood Mitigation - No Report.

C. Compliance Review - No Report

D. Keep the Beach Clean – No Report

E. Local Coastal Program Amendments

Mike Matthews is continuing to pay attention to this.

F. Advisory Committee to Address Sea Level Rise

Mike Matthews remains as the Committee Head, but it is currently an inactive committee.

VIII. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

Input from the Board: None

Input from the Community: Katie Taggart noted that it is difficult to hear at these meetings, and requested that we all speak up as much as we can.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 am.