

STINSON BEACH VILLAGE ASSOCIATION

August 3, 2013
Stinson Beach Chapel

The SBVA acts as a steward of the Stinson Beach Community Plan, is a conduit for information and advocates on behalf of the community, supports the rural atmosphere of the Village, and is a forum to promote communication regarding county, federal, and state regulations that affect all areas of the Village (including the commercial area, Seadrift, the Calles, and the Hill).

Next SBVA Meeting will be held on September 7, 2013 at 10 AM in the SBCWD office.

**Minutes can be read at the Stinson Beach Library, or
Online at www.stinsonbeachvillage.com**

- I. **Call to Order:** The SBVA monthly meeting was called to order by Mike Matthews at 10:01 a.m. in the Stinson Beach Chapel. Board Members in attendance were: Mike Matthews, Larry Crutcher, Terry Gordon, Chris Ruppe, Sam Matthews and Don Anderson. **(Quorum was met).**
- II. **Acceptance of Minutes:** Minutes for the July 13, 2013 Meeting were approved by email by the SBVA Board Members and are posted on the SBVA's website.
- III. **Treasurer's Report:** Sam Matthews gave the report. The Cash balance as of July 1, was \$7,580.03. There were disbursements of \$507.55, interest income of \$.03, resulting in a Cash balance of \$7,072.51 as of July 31, 2013. The D & O insurance premium is increasing this year by as much as 35%, and in spite of this increase and after researching alternative carriers, The Board decided to remain with the current carrier for coverage for the 2013-2014 calendar year. **(Treasurer's Report Attached to Original Minutes)**
- IV. **New Business:**
 1. **James Sword, GGNRA Office of Special Park Uses:** The GGNRA approves and permits approximately 900 events/year in the Area, stretching from San Mateo to Stinson Beach. Stinson Beach has just a handful of these permitted events that are primarily trail runs. There has been an increase of people participating in these events, and the GGNRA has made a concerted effort to work together with law enforcement to help with safety, traffic, and crowd control within Stinson Beach. (For example, the Dipsea race was first held 103 years ago, and the race participants have increased 10 fold since then. The Double Dipsea race began with 150 runners and now has sign-ups for 500 participants.) There has also been a recent turn over in the ranger staff (due to the retirement of both Pat Norton and Terry Swift), and the GGNRA is now working with Xavier Agnew plus two new law enforcement rangers that have moved into the area. James is also planning to work more closely with Kenny Stevens and the SBVA to improve the handling of events in Stinson Beach. His job is to be the liaison between the park-permitted events and the community. Art Moritz raised issues regarding the Double Dipsea ending its race on his street, Marine Way. He asked James who in the GGNRA was responsible for permitting this event? James responded that if Stinson Beach residents have any questions regarding the permit process, to please call him to discuss the pertinent issues at hand (415 561-4300). He emphasized that the GGNRA's goal is to open the park to events but to improve the controls so that there is minimal impact on the community. He also promised to try to inform the SBVA of up-coming events 3 months in advance if possible. Several events scheduled for the future are as follows:

August 10: Wedding on the beach,
August 24: (50K run not in Stinson Beach but on the trails around SB),
September 14: Mt. Tam Hill Climb,
September 15: Trail Run out of Rodeo Beach,
September 21: Waves to Wine Annual Bike Ride
September 28: 50- person "Escape from Alcatraz"
October 19: Trail run starts in Stinson Beach and ends in Rodeo Beach

2. **145 Buena Vista: SFD Addition:** Plans have been received. The proposal is to add 1000 square feet to a current structure that is 1752 square feet. The lot is large and appears to be below existing roof-lines. There may be septic issues? SBVA will follow up and report on this at the next meeting.
3. **8 Dipsea Road: SFD Accessory Structure-**No drawings have been received yet.
4. **21 Calle del Onda- Lot line Merger-**No drawings have been received yet.

V. Old Business:

1. **Multi-use path through Stinson Beach update:** No up-date.
2. **174 Seadrift Road Building Plan:** The County Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on this project to be held at the Civic Center on August 29. Story poles are up for viewing.
3. **350 Calle Del Mar Building Plans-** There have been major changes in the plans since the project was first presented in front of the SBVA. Mary James, owner, and the architect, James Bill, presented new plans at the SBVA meeting. Mike Matthews asked anyone interested in reviewing and commenting on the plans to stay after the regular SBVA meeting to discuss the changes. He also asked that the SBVA be notified as to when the story poles would be erected.

VI. Community Reports:

- A. **GGNRA, Tamalpais District: Steve Ortega sent in a report:** The GGNRA anticipates the release of the final Marin Equestrian Stables Plan and Environmental Assessment in late August 2013. They will host a public presentation to describe the final plan and the future of the stables in GGNRA's Marin lands on Wednesday, September 4, 2013, from 4:30-6:30 at the Tamalpais Community Center.
- B. **Bolinas-Stinson Library Society: Ann Walsh Reporting.** The library is experiencing its usual summer parking issues, and Kerri is attempting to police the parking lot whenever possible. To see a list of summer program events, please go to www.marinlibrary.org.
- C. **Bolinas-Stinson Union School District: Pamela Lichtenwalner reporting:** School starts in three weeks. A universal pre-K meeting is still TBD.
- D. **CSA33---Village Green 1 & 2:** The SBCWD is working with Michael Mitchell regarding the Village Green 1 & 2. There has been a spike in the water usage attributed to construction- associated breaks in the line. The SBCWD will monitor the future use on a weekly basis. The SBCWD will also work with Richard Reasoner, who specializes in landscaping and irrigation, to estimate future water needs.
- E. **Seadrift Homeowners Association: No report**
- F. **Stinson Beach Community Center: No report**
- G. **Stinson Beach Disaster Council, Fire Protection: No report**
- H. **Stinson Beach Historical Society: No report**
- I. **Stinson Beach Medical Center: Barbara Boucke reporting:** Currently, The Stinson Beach Clinic hours are Monday and Thursday: 9-5 p.m. The building was recently painted. The Medical Center is

planning a community focus group to discuss the community's needs with the date for this event TBD.

- J. Stinson Beach Montessori School: Pamela Lichtenwalner reporting:** Unfortunately, the Montessori School does not have the financial support from the state. However, there was an outreach program in progress this summer that provided funding for parents who could not afford the tuition to have their children come to Montessori school. Thanks go to Al Engel and Marian Weber for their generous donations to this outreach program.
- K. Stinson Beach Water District: Morey Nelson reporting:** 1) The SBCWD continues to be at a Tier 2 Water Conservation alert. Grey water is an alternative approach to watering a garden. 2) Community members have asked the SBCWD to review its policies regarding the required annual backflow testing. Users are responsible for the costs of testing and necessary repairs. While the work may be done by either the Water District or outside contractors, the District's fee rate is in some cases, lower than those of outside contractors. Should their fees be reevaluated? The District is reviewing this issue that will be discussed at the next SBCWD meeting on August 17, at 9:30 AM in the Water District office, and all are encouraged to attend.
- L. Stinson Beach Community Church: No report**
- M. West Marin Senior Services:** WMSS is sponsoring a fund- raiser, the 20th Annual Holstein 100 Charity Bike Ride, on August 17, and invite all to join as a rider or volunteer. They still need folks to bake sweetbreads, cookies, roast potatoes etc., just before the event, and also to help the day of the event. All proceeds benefit West Marin Senior Services.

VII. Committee Reports

1. Standing

- A. Compliance Review: no report**
- B. Flood Advisory Board: No report**
- C. Traffic: No report**

2. Ad Hoc

- A. Local Coastal Plan Amendments: Sam Matthews Reporting:** All residents of Stinson Beach are encouraged to monitor the development of the LCPA. Though the policies of the LCP "must be applied and interpreted within the context of other applicable Local, State, and Federal Laws, as well as other local plans, policies and regulations...", the LCP "takes precedence over other local plans, policies and regulations, including any conflicting provisions of the Countywide Plan, Community Plans, and relevant sections of the Marin County Code." (MCLCP, Interpretation of the land Use Plan, p.9). Sam Matthews attended the July 30 Board of Supervisors hearing regarding adoption of the LCPA. The Board adopted a resolution to submit the LCPA with changes to the California Coastal Commission. Two language changes in the draft plan to which the Board of Supervisors agreed were 1) a change from "consider regulating" to "regulate" the use of residential housing for short-term vacation rentals (BOS attachment #1, P. 5), and 2) removing the words "substantial" and "significant" from:

C-DES-2 Protection of Visual Resources.

Ensure appropriate siting and design of structures to prevent obstruction of views, including views both to and along the coast as seen from public viewing areas such as highways, roads, beaches, parks, coastal trails and access ways, vista points, and coastal streams and waters used for recreational purposes. The intent of this policy is the protection of public views rather than coastal views from private residential areas.

Staff was also instructed to consider broadening the definition of agriculture to include activities beyond working the land, to include the "findings" used to support new policies, to clarify buffer adjustments, and to consider individual lots that make up a parcel when granting permits for

housing on farms of more than 60 acres. For more information, please go to <http://www.co.marin.ca.us/depts/CD/main/lcp/LCP-index.html> and click on July 30 Staff Report.

B. Keep the Beach Clean: No report

C. Advisory committee to address sea level rise: The public has been invited to participate and become a stakeholder in the grant application process to research the ramifications of the future rise in sea levels. Larry Crutcher is the head of this ad hoc committee. If any one in the community is interested in serving on this committee, please contact Larry Crutcher. Peggy Woodring, and Pamela Lichtenwalner were among the attending members who volunteered to join this committee.

VIII. For the Good of the Order:

1. James Little who resides at 285 Belvedere, reported that the paving on Belvedere is already failing, and asked to whom he should report this? Don Anderson offered to call the County to report this, and advised James to also call the County and take photos of the failing roadbed.

Mike Matthews motioned to adjourn. Terry Gordon seconded the motion.