

Minutes
Rehoboth Beach Homeowners' Association
Board of Directors' Meeting
April 16, 2022

Meeting was called to order by President, Mark Saunders at 11:45 AM at Rehoboth Beach Fire Hall. Attendees: Mark Saunders, Steve Curson, Clif Hilderley, Pam Baker, Sharon Sherwood, Bob Lawrence, John Dewey, and Patrisha Davis

Minutes: March 19, 2022 minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Steve Curson reported the March closing checking account balance at \$14,513.74 and March savings account balance at \$416.82. Total March RBHA balance of \$14,930.56. Treasurer's Report was approved.

Old Business:

Spring Social - Elise Burns has successfully put together the ground work for the New Member Spring Ice Cream Social. The event will be held in the upstairs meeting room at the Rehoboth Public Library on Saturday, June 18th from 1 PM - 3 PM. Invites will be emailed mid-May.

Membership/Renewals - We are up to about 850 members. Unpaid renewals are down to about 50 households. Mark Saunders thanked everyone on the Board who has participated in this year's successful membership drive.

Newsletter - Mark Saunders has notified everyone who is submitting an article to the newsletter and requested all submissions by the end of April. The goal is to get the information to the printer the first week in May. Discussion followed on ways we can help the Fire Department educate the public on the services they provide.

Volunteers - Elise Burns met with Robin Beden, a new volunteer who will help us with projects going forward.

New Business:

New Forms on Website - The membership/new member form will be interactive on the website as a printable and downloadable pdf form. The goal is to have this form available on the website this fall. Continuing efforts will be made to keep the website up to date.

Chamber of Commerce - A motion was made to not renew our membership with the Chamber of Commerce in 2023. The motion was approved.

Reserve Fund - Discussion revolved around how to establish an operational definition of the reserve fund's use and purpose. A definition that defines its philosophic intent and purpose with specific references to monetized examples. A motion was made to establish a reserve fund for the purpose of assuring that there are funds to carry necessary expenses at least through two fiscal years. The motion was accepted. Steve Curson will provide specific guidance for the reserve fund at the next meeting.

RMS Meeting - Mark Saunders was invited to the Rehoboth Main Street Strategic Planning Meeting to provide input from our organization. The meeting ran long so our suggestions were submitted in writing.

Streaming - Discussion followed regarding how to setup streaming for our three large public meetings. The thought was to continue to use the Fire Hall location for these events. Additional research is required to determine the level of knowledge and costs associated with streaming a meeting. Do we invest in equipment or what paid services might be available? Mark and Clif will pursue professional advice on this issue before the next meeting.

Other - A subcommittee will be established to work on survey questions for distribution this summer. The goal of the survey will be to allow the membership to evaluate the organization and to help determine the general priorities of our constituents.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:05 PM.

The next meeting is scheduled for 9 AM, Saturday, May 14th, at Main Street.