

**Minutes**  
**Rehoboth Beach Homeowners' Association**  
**Board of Directors' Meeting via Zoom**  
**August 19, 2022**

Meeting was called to order by President, Mark Saunders at 3:00 PM via Zoom.  
Attendees: Mark Saunders, Steve Curson, Clif Hilderley, Pam Baker, Sharon Sherwood, Bob Lawrence, John Dewey, Elise Burns and Patrisha Davis

**Minutes:** July 15, 2022 minutes were approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Steve Curson reported the July closing checking account balance at \$11,524.88. The total expenses this month were \$728.16 of which \$698 was insurance. The July Reserve Fund is \$4000.16. The total July RBHA balance is \$15,525.04. Treasurer's Report was approved.

**Old Business:**

**Summer Newsletter** - The newsletter went out the first week of August. We did have a few additional articles which we will use to touch base with the membership through Constant Contact.

**Meeting with Evan Miller** - The meeting went well although no commitments were made. Since the meeting, there does seem to be some improved policing in areas where noise has been a concern. RBHA continues to believe that code enforcement has to be better addressed by the city. The board is considering raising the issue at either the September or October commissioners' meeting.

**Donations for 2022** - The donation committee put together a list of possible donations for 2022. We used the established giving guidelines that were approved by the board earlier this year. The following five categories were also established for giving: 1) City Services 2) Arts & Education 3) Environment 4) Social Services and 5) Wildlife Conservation/Animal Welfare. A motion was approved to donate to the following organizations this fall: Rehoboth Beach Patrol (\$500), Rehoboth Beach Museum (\$500), Rehoboth Community Resource Center (\$500), West Side New Beginnings (\$500), Rehoboth in Bloom (\$250), RB Delaware Humane Association(\$250), and the Delaware Center for the Inland Bays (\$250). A full list of donations will soon be made available on the RBHA website. The goal for 2023 is to establish an official donation application form and process with access on the RBHA website.

**Survey Results** - The RBHA survey member comments were organized in a readable format for distribution to the board. The member feedback will be helpful in determining the direction of the board in 2023.

**Website Help** - A motion was made to hire Matt Stewart as a website consultant at a rate of \$50 per hour. Discussion followed and the motion was approved.

**Noise/Lawn Mowing Concerns** - The board has received a number of comments related to the issue of yard maintenance noise. Elise Burns spoke to the issue of lawn alternatives and the RB Tree Committee's current efforts related to noise and alternatives. The board approved a motion for RBHA to work to support a policy of educating our members and homeowners on lawn alternatives and their established environmental benefits. Information will be made available on our website and through Constant Contact.

**Annual Picnic, Sunday, Sept. 18 @ 11:30 in Grove Park** - Discussion followed regarding the picnic setup, menu, and hiring of an ice cream truck. Due to our growth in membership tents will be setup in front of the pavilion for food and the pavilion will just be for seating this year. Duties were assigned and a motion was approved to allocate Sharon Sherwood up to \$250 for a new RBHA vinyl banner. (Responsibilities: Mark & Pam - paper products & drinks, Elise & Patrisha - food pickup & name tags, Steve - food orders & tent/table setup with Bob & Sharon)

### **New Business:**

**City Issues** - Patrisha Davis will update the website regarding the monitoring of hotel issues within the city.

**Save Our Lakes** - Information was distributed regarding the Save Our Lakes workshop scheduled for September 10, 2022. RBHA will help to publicize this event.

**Membership Drive Supplies** - A motion was made and approved to issue Mark Saunders up to \$600 in supplies to continue our membership drive.

**2022 - 2023 RBHA Board Elections** - The floor was opened for nominations for the new 2022-2023 RBHA board. Discussion followed. A motion was made to approve a list of new officers and board members as follows:

**President** - Pam Baker

**Vice President** - Sharon Sherwood

**Treasurer** - Steve Curson

**Secretary** - John Dewey

The above executive board serves a two year term expiring 9/30/2024

### **Nine Board Members, three year terms as follows:**

Clif Hilderley thru 9/23

Steve Curson thru 9/23

John Dewey thru 9/23

Pam Baker thru 9/24

Mark Saunders thru 9/24

Patrisha Davis thru 9/24

Bob Lawrence thru 9/25

Elise Burns thru 9/25

Sharon Sherwood thru 9/25

The motion was approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 PM.

The next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, September 18th, following the RBHA Member Picnic.