

## **Minutes: Beach Commission Meeting of 02/12/08**

**Attending: Bill Seiple, Theresa Santos, Dave Leys, Rian Wilkinson, Helen Flynn, shawn Brown, Warren Hall, Tim Shaw, Steve Ponte, Bill Young (Armortec), Rex Peabody.**

**Meeting Started 4:35 pm**

**1. Minutes approved - no changes**

**2. Boat Ramp- Bill Young, an Armortec representative, gave a 30 minute presentation on his boat ramp product - Armor-Flex. It was very informative and we will contact his company for bids if the boat ramp is approved.**

**Other boat ramp information- Scott Robideau will have an informal meeting with CMRC concerning the town's plan for moving the Third Beach boat ramp. We hope to have a report on the meeting at our March meeting.**

**3. Peabody Beach- The committee invited Rex Peabody to attend this meeting concerning the town's agreement to continue supplying a lifeguard at Peabody's Beach. Coverage has been a serious problem in early June and, especially, in late August. It was noted that the town does not have sufficient lifeguards to cover its own beaches, as well as, Peabody's Beach. This could, potentially. Create a serious liability problem for the Town and Mr. Peabody. Several alternatives were proposed, including, Peabody's hiring their own lifeguard. A final decision was postponed until the March 11 th meeting. Tim Shaw will report on the number of lifeguard applicants, which would give the commission some idea if covering Peabody's can be continued. Also, the commission asked Mr. Peabody to give the town primary**

consideration if he decided to place the beach up' for sale.

**4. Shade Structures-** Tim Shaw reported that the final specifications are in the works and that, hopefully, the bids will go out in the near future. It was noted that there is a several month delay due to the demand for this product.

**5. Second Beach Building Bids -** Shawn Brown reported that the bid specifications are in the final stage and will be sent to contractors for completion by 06/15/08.

**6. Beach Staffing-** Tim Shaw said that ads have been placed in local newspapers and will report back at the March meeting.

**7. Town Council Meeting-** Shawn Brown will contact the Town Council about a joint meeting with the Beach Commission.

**8. Campground Improvement-** Shawn Brown reported that a new 4' wooden fence will be erected. It was recommended that tall plantings also be considered.

**9. New Business - Kayak! Boat Racks - Boat Ramp- Third Beach**

Tim Shaw reported that he has contacted Sail Newport several times about their rack donation. The person who agreed to this donation is no longer involved with Sail Newport. The commission and Tim Shaw will follow up the request.

**10. Meeting adjourned at 6: 1 0 pm.**