

Minutes~ Beach Commission Meeting, 5/13/08

Attending: Rian Wilkinson, Bill Seiple, Theresa Santos, Dave Leys, Helen Flynn, Shawn Brown, Tim Shaw, Steve Ponte

- 1. Approve minutes from last meeting – no changes.**
- 2. Introduce new beach management: Tim Coen, Manager, Joe Benedette, Asst. Manager, John Burnett, Lifeguard Supervisor (could not attend). All agreed that there were outstanding choices and bring extensive experience and expertise to the town.**
- 3. Dels – Del's Lemonade has requested an additional park space at the "Rock" lot. He would like to operate a small- goods cart (under an arrangement with Long Ade ,LLD). The commission supported the concept with the following provisions.**
 - It will be a one year agreement**
 - Del's will pay the town \$1000 for this additional space**

Tim will bring the concept to the town Council.

- 4. Beach opening construction and all 2nd Beach building improvements are on schedule and will be completed by Memorial Day.**
- 5. New Building: Sachuest Beach Bond- The commission agreed they will bring a building bond proposal to the town council 6/13/08. The commission will present basic concept drawings and a cost estimate at the meeting. The commission will request that the council put the bond proposal on the November 20, 2008 election ballot.**

6. New Business- Boat Ramp

Beach Commission members met with Scott Robideau (Town Biologist), John Crimmins, Warren Hall and Tom O'Loughlin to discuss relocation of the boat ramp. Design and location were discussed, as well as, impact on nesting plovers. Rian and Bill had previously met with Robert Cardeiro, Director of the Norman Bird Sanctuary. After the meeting, it was found that the new location and the measures to prevent harm to the plovers seemed to be acceptable. But , later the N.B.S. stated a contrary opinion. In the letter, Mr. Cardeiro wrote that the new ramp was contrary to the goals of the N.B.S. and not acceptable due to possible negative consequences to the plovers. Both Rian and Bill, who discussed the matter with Mr. Cardeiro, were extremely surprised at the contrary opinion. Since it is a safety, as well as a recreational issue, the beach commission will attempt to meet with N.B.S. representatives again to discuss the matter.

7. Meeting adjourned at 6:15