

Minutes: Beach Committee Meeting, Oct. 14, 2008, Town Hall 4:30 pm

Attending: Rian Wilkinson, Bill Seiple, Shawn Brown, Dave Leys, Helen Flynn, Warren Hall, Jason Ringler, Sarah Gill, Easton's Point Assoc.

1. Additions to minutes – Rian reported that kite surfers were sailing in the swim area and violating the 100' swimmer protection area in early September.

2. Approved September 9th minutes with addition.

3. Invasive Grass Report- Jason Ringler, town Biologist, reported that there was a delay in obtaining necessary herbicide spray permits – CRMC- DEM. Plan will begin in the Spring of '09. Rian also asked Jason to research the effectiveness of “seeding” the dunes, rather than planting. Tom O” suggested that many methods and various plants will probably be needed to restore the dunes.

4. Kite Surfing- Rian will contact Guillaume De Ramel concerning kite surfing at the town's beaches.

5. Harbor Master- Steve Ponte was unable to attend- will report later in the fall.

6. Building upgrades- Preliminary work will begin, Fall '08-Winter '09, on the four remaining rooms of Second Beach concession, First Aid, Office and Lifeguard room. All work will be completed by Memorial Day. Railing replacement was questioned and may go on a future RFD.

7. Ramp repair- Second Beach Rock - Tom reported that funding should become available and repairs completed by Summer '09.

8. Proposal list for 2009-

- Additions- portable toilets-Third Beach- Tim will check on rental rates- Hallman Inc.**
- #6 on master list – parking lot attendant- Third Beach-. Rian reported that several patrons have suggested a boat ramp attendant (weekends). Considered a priority.**
- New building Second Beach – future plans - was added to the list**
- #9 master list- marsh odor - Rian will check with NFW – Charles Vandermoer concerning their rehabilitation schedule- Third Beach marsh.**

New Business:

Sarah Gill – Easton’s Point President, brought up several topics including horse waste and loose dogs on the beaches. Rian also reported that he had received complaints from beach patrons. Tim will contact animal control. It was felt that limiting dogs on the reservoir site has resulted in more animals at the towns’ beaches.

Meeting adjourned 5:39 pm

Next meeting: 11/18/08