

## **Middletown Beach Commission**

**Minutes: Dec. 14, 2010 meeting**

**Attending: Rian Wilkinson, Bill Seiple, Helen Flynn, John Crimmins, Tom O'Loughlin, Tim Shaw, Steve Ponte**

- **Approved minutes of November 9th meeting.**
- **Recommended the following CIP's**
  - o **New beach pavilion for Second Beach**
  - o **Replace the boat ramp at Third Beach (currently working with the State of RI for partial funding)**
  - o **Electrical hook up for Third Beach**
  - o **Complete the black top at the Third Beach Parking Lot- top 2/3 of the lot**
  - o **Black top the "Rock" parking lot**
- **Discussion...New beach building.. Second Beach/ Third Beach**
  - o **The BC felt that getting some design renderings would be the most important first step. Funding would have to be town approved.**
  - o **A "campus" style grouping was supported by the BC. Also, the BC felt that the town should study the feasibility of a small meeting/function room.**
  - o **Research Second Beach "footprint" including the old bathhouse section. This will give us size possibilities for the proposed building.**
  - o **Third Beach- due to the 13' above sea level requirement, it would be very difficult to get a building that would be in scale with the open area. The total height of a building could be as high as 25'-28'. Handicapped accessibility also would be a major problem due to the elevations.**

**o Continued to Jan meeting.**

**• New Business**

**o Tim Shaw estimated that approximately 200 people visited the Thanksgiving Eve bonfire. Considering the cold/windy weather, this was a decent turnout. He said he was also contacting the “Winter Festival- Newport “group concerning continuing the beach polo matches.**

**o Tom reported that the drainage work on Hanging Rock Road is on schedule.**

**o Tom will meet with members of the DEM, NFW, and Norman Bird Sanctuary concerning the Maidford River drainage.**

**o Rian reported that he had attended the Secretary of State sponsored meeting at the Town Hall. He felt that the major take away was that no town commission can take a formal vote without having the item on the agenda. “New Business” votes are not authorized.**

**• Meeting adjourned at 5:40**