

## **Beach Commission**

**Minutes from April 12, 2011 meeting**

**Attending: Bill Seiple, Rian Wilkinson, Dave Leys, John Cummings, Tom O'Loughlin, Tim shaw, Steve Ponte, Chris Siminelli**

- **Approved minutes of 3/08/2011 meeting . No changes.**
- **Discussion/ Narragansett Beach Pavillion.**

**The reason for not placing the proposal on the 2010 ballot was, probably, the high cost of the up-scale level plans...\$9,000,000.00 plus . The residents would have, most likely, rejected the pavilion, as well as, the officials who presented it. Morale- keep the plans and spending under control.**

- **Study...Observations...Second Beach Facility**

**1- The building should meet the needs of the patrons/residents, without excesses.**

**2- Keep the residents informed and involved to avoid outrageous rumors and negative publicity.**

**3- The building should reflect the architecture of th area--- without extremes.**

**4- A multi-purpose room for weddings, meetings, reunions, etc should be given strong consideration due to its potential income generation. Also, an area set up for clam bakes would be a strong draw.**

**5- Dave Leys brought up the possibility of establishing a Beach Building sub- committee. This was continued until the next meeting – Rian will research the procedure and the need for such a sub-committee. It may be possible to meet on an informal basis,**

rather than be involved with the Secretary of State notification, minutes, etc.

6- Building condition Index- Tim Shaw will obtain copies of the town wide BCI form relating to the Second Beach Building

7- Tim Shaw will obtain copies of the town building condition report.

8- Committee will contact Shawn Brown considering future study and funding for the construction estimates, renderings, etc.

• Campground Project List- Tim Shaw reported that all recommendations for the campground are on schedule and will be completed for the up-coming season. He distributed an up-dated campground Project List with current status.

• Beach Project List- Tim Shaw- All recommendations are on schedule- An up-dated report was distributed.

**Additions:**

1-Three new lifeguard towers have been constructed by the DPW.

2-The DPW has rented heavy equipment and will begin moving beach sand by the end of April.

3-Path improvement- Top of Tuckerman Ave to The Rock Parking Lot. Received a letter from Councilman Seminelli. Tom O'Loughlin said the path improvement was on a long range area improvements list. However, it involves CRMC approval and is state owned land- it will be on our on-going beach project list.

4- Beach management staff is returning.

Note: Tim Shaw's reports were very thorough and he was thanked by the committee for his assistance.

- **New business- Steve Ponte, Harbormaster**

Steve reported all is going very smoothly. There has been increased interest in the town's mooring sites and they will be rented daily, weekly, monthly and seasonally. He also noted that there has been continued upward movement on the mooring waiting list.

- **Invasive Beach Grass- Rian reported that there were additional herbicide application, as well as, dune grass seed spraying.**

**Meeting adjourned 6:05 pm**