



Ocean Beach & Yacht Club

Virtual MEETING OF THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP OF OBII

June 6, 2020

09:00AM

1. Roll Call: 20220 Board & Managers: President –Eileen Barron, Vice President-, William Lindner, Secretary-Charlotte Flohl, Treasurer-Terry Bouziotis, Anna Fiore, Anthony Loomis, Steve Mangeri, Evan Murray, Shane Skwarek.

In lieu of Sign in Sheets Virtual Attendees attendance sheet attached.

2. President/General Manager-Eileen Barron:

Eileen welcomed members who were online and thanked them for tuning in, during these tumultuous times. She recalled the numerous members that have passed on since our last meeting in September 2019. Our heart goes out to the families and loved ones of those not with us any longer. The Board has met virtually as well. We are trying to plan to do what we can legally do within the Covid 19 Social Distancing Guidelines. We have taken steps to open on time with staff wearing masks and having their temperature taken when they report for the day's work, providing PPE equipment and hand sanitizing.

At this point Eileen, introduced Michael Barrett, Beach Manager. He thanked all members who have supported the Lifeguard Fund Raiser. He announced that the shirts have been delayed and are to be printed today and should be in soon. Michael brought the audience up to date on what has been done in beach preparation and what remains to be done. What is important, is the beach is ready to open. It is questionable as to whether we can have volleyball set up, Junior Lifeguards, the Lifeguard dinner. It all depends upon the Social Distancing rules at the time things are scheduled. We all have to get through this hard time together and hope that it will be over soon.

Shane Skwarek (moderator) said, “We will attempt to take as many questions as possible, within the interest of time. If you have any question for Mike, please share them now I have unlocked the chat and we will attempt to answer as many as we can.

Dana Reinhold of 17 E. Dune Way asked whether it is too late to order shirts. Michael said, "in as much as there is a delay, if you send in a donation of \$50.00 or more, promptly they will get your order in".

There were several other questions written in at this time, that were not pertinent to ask Michael and are answered later in these minutes by the Board Member that has the answer. As the topic comes up the secretary will interject the question and answers (written in blue), rather than repeat the information in this space.

3. Treasurer's Report - Terry Bouziotis:|

- The Reserves are fully funded.
- We have additional unbudgeted expenses for PPE (Personal Protective Equipment)
- We have made a change in Agency for one insurance policy, where the club was able to save \$1200, and double the amount of the coverage in the policy. We will be looking into the cost of policies and the coverage for our other policies.

S. Smith of 109 Bayberry Lane – Q. "I still think the budget is crazy high and have not gotten a clear picture although I asked for one". A. Please refer to the detailed letter you received from Mr. Bouziotis.

4. Review of the Minutes: Charlotte Flohl, Secretary. A motion to approve the minutes of June 6, 2020 by jmwlaw of 105 W. Cove and seconded by R P Johnson 26 East Seaway, followed by a digital approval vote.

5. Communications – Charlotte Flohl: Book is available for review by appointment call secretary: Charlotte- 732-375-3064

THE FOLLOWING ARE COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS – KINDLY HOLD, QUESTIONS & STATEMENTS TILL OLD OR NEW BUSINESS

Eileen announced; "Because of the Covid 19 Restrictions many of the activities and planning usually done in the Spring months were put aside, leaving very little for some chair people to report, so their report is including in the president's up-dates.

6. Committee Reports:

A. Special Events - Anna Fiore:

- Most events are on hold due to Covid 19. We are taking one month at a time.
- The Golf Outing is going ahead as it is held outdoors with the banquet at the golf course this year.

We need to have patience Safety is our 1st concern.

B. Badges - Eileen Barron: Badges are available today @ the clubhouse. Starting next Sunday they will be available every day. The hours are Posted.

The question of when badges would be available was asked by Eileen Staniewicz at the beginning of the meeting. Susanna Smith of 109 W. Bayberry Lane said, “badges used to be paid when badges were picked up. A. This has never been. Some people may have chosen to do this however, the club needs an Operating Budget and depends on dues for this budget. It is unfair for most people to pay on time and people that pay late reap the same benefits.

- C. Beach- Charlotte Flohl: Social Distancing will be maintained at the beach. Clusters of family groups are allowed. Because of spacing issues, there will be no saving space by placing empty chairs and then not coming to the beach till hours later. Large tents and wind barriers will not be permitted. Light snacks will be permitted again this year. As Michael reported, the Beach is groomed and ready. We are striving to have the beach as close to normalcy as possible.
- D. By-Laws- – Evan Murray: In-as-much as there are several By-Law changes to be voted on, the discussion of the proposals and voting will take place on this time. Evan will give a brief review on each one before the vote.

Proposal # 1 Membership – Section 2 – Admission proposal. Evan reported that this was mainly updating the verbiage. At this time- Paul Staehle of 115 West Bayberry questioned if the club attorney had approved of these changes and made the recommendation to do so. A. (An attorney has reviewed these changes).

A motion to approve this change was made by Swanson of 105 W. Cove, seconded by Merkle of 220 Canal, approved digitally by the majority.

Proposal # 2 Membership Section 3 Terms of Membership. Evan reported that this proposal was also the addition of clarifying verbiage. A motion was made by Swanson of 105 W. Cove, seconded by Reinhold of 17 E Dune Way. Approved digitally by the majority.

Proposal # 3 Section 1 Dues and Assessments. a) Evan related, every time a change is made on the deed time is involved a lot of paperwork and a visit has to be made to town hall by the Club Improvements Coordinator. Compensation is

sought for the time involved for a paid employee. b. A change in the fine for late payment of dues, with a progressive fine rendered for every fiscal quarter. Evan related, lateness is not fair to the rest of the member who have paid on time. d. The minimum interest charged will be an amount set by the Board in an amount considered reasonable and sufficient to cover the cost of processing interest charge invoices. f. Changing the fee charged by the bank, to cover whatever the bank charge is necessitated by the establishment of an Insurance Committee, needed to review the numerous insurance policies now held by the club. A motion to approve was made by Johnson of 26 E. Seaway, seconded by Weiss of 121 W. Shell, approved digitally by the majority.

Proposal # 4 Board of Governors, Officers & Committees. Evan explained this is a new committee, needed to review the numerous insurance policies held by the Club, as they become due. A motion to approve was made by Rooney of 215 Melody Lane, seconded by Reinhold of 17 E. Dune Way, approved digitally by the majority.

Proposal # 5 Board of Governors, Officers & Committees. Club Facilities & Properties. This change is to increase the dollar amount the Board is permitted to spend on club improvements without necessitating a special meeting. A discussion was held, and several members felt that there should be at least 3 estimates obtained before contracting anyone. This proposal has been tabled and will be reworded and presented at the next General Meeting

Proposal # 6 Board of Governors, Officers & Committees Improvements. Fines imposed for unauthorized improvements need to be more of a deterrent. A motion to approve was made by Souza of 250 Melody Lane, seconded by 121 W. Shell, approved digitally by the majority.

Proposal # 7 Board of Governors etc. Improvements. An increase in the fine noted in Proposal 6 for Repeat Offenders. A motion to approve was made by Rooney of 215 Melody Lane, seconded by Hill/Fagan of 19 E Dune Way. Approved digitally by the majority.

Proposal # 8 Fiscal Management Expenditures Section 3. Any expenditure by any Committee and/or Lifeguards above \$750.00 requires Executive Board Approval. A motion to approve was made by Smith of 109 W Bayberry Way, seconded by Wilson of 107 W. Cove. Approved digitally by the majority.

E. Clubhouse – Bill Lindner: The clubhouse is the centerpiece that brings our community together has many diverse uses. Rentals in the spring have been

cancelled because of Covid 19 compliance. It is important that we protect our investment. It is our best interest asset, one of the best in the region. Since last September we have had water in the building three times. It involves coming in and putting everything up high and cleaning up debris and floors. What are our Best Options to raise the building or a new building? There are a lot of ways to do this. We are working with experts to understand what we can expect to encounter. We have no comparisons to other like buildings, it is not residential, but we are confident that we can come up with the best plan to benefit us all.

[Susanna Smith of W. Bayberry Lane stated: “that the clubhouse has been there since 1948 and the incurred cost would not be feasible for our senior members.](#)

F. Grounds & Maintenance – Anthony Loomis/Shane Skwarek:

We have been observing properties for the past few weeks. We have notified some persons with debris and overgrown weeds. The purpose is a courtesy, not to be insensitive, we realize some people are not coming out because of health concerns. A second inspection will be done, and we will be less sensitive. It is important that we maintain our property.

G. Improvements-Steve Mangeri: (given by Eileen)

Construction cutoff is the 3rd Saturday of June - June 20th unless it is an emergency.

H. Insurance – Evan Murray: included in Treasurers report and By-Laws.

I. Marina – Steve Mangeri: (given by Eileen)

- Almost all are rented- 5 are available.
- Looking to have the spaces at the clubhouse altered to accommodate taller boats.

J. Membership – Eileen Barron:

We have 15 new member families since the fall.

K. Nominating – Anna Fiore, Steve Mangeri, Evan Murray:

The 3 members whose terms are up this year are Terry Bouziotis, Charlotte Flohl and Anthony Loomis

L. Security- Steve Mangeri:

7. OLD BUSINESS: There were several questions from the members, most answered by Eileen.

Q. Adams/Spranger of 216 Gull Lane asked. When forming committees, do we ask members for their expertise. A. If you look at the profiles that are submitted when the Board members are nominated or their terms are up, you can see their expertise. We presently have 2 medical professionals, which were helpful with

present conditions. Also, a member states, “they have planning and zoning experience in NJ. A. If you have any interest in volunteering in any capacity, please e-mail the clubhouse@obyc.net and let us know where you wish to serve. We only know what talents people may have by their offering to help in a specific capacity

Q. How much to sponsor a bench? A. Presently, there are no benches needed to be purchased. There is a waiting list and we do make calls from that list when we need to purchase new ones. The price is whatever is the prevailing price for the bench needed.

Q. Is there room for more benches at the bottom of the dunes. A. Not presently.

Q. Are the Lifeguards on duty this weekend? A. They start on the 13th

Q. Vacca 107 W. Bayberry Lane -Are we still looking into installing handrails at the beach? A. We are not permitted to attach anything to the dune fencing nor erect anything on the dunes without township approval. Permission for free standing railings to be installed has been sought. We are not the only beach seeking this approval.

Q. Dorval of 224 Harbor said, “Kids want to know if there is any chance of social distancing for ice cream night. A. That is being looked at closely.

Q. Cookson of 13 East Dune Way asked for clarification, Is cutoff for construction 19th or 20th. A. Saturday the 20th.

Q. 1. Any chance of replacing stones along NJ railroad avenue. 2. Can we clean up the grass along 35. 222Mallard. A. That is not the club’s property, and we have sought many times to have Toms River maintain this.

Q. Shepard of 45 E. Tide, asked, if there was ever any discussion about a dog run or a dog bark? A. There is not any empty suitable land owned by the club to be used for this.

Many Questions such as flooding, noise, partying, overcrowding of rentals, fireworks, dogs, dogs in rental property, loose dogs, dogs defecating on private property, kids on the beach after curfew, kids on the streets after curfew, were asked repeatedly and all have been addressed by the Board and we will continue to be vigilant. Eileen & Evan have met with a member of the TRPD and discussed some of these problems. Security is aware and monitors problems, however they are not the police. If you have problems that require immediate attention or continued abuse, contact Toms River Police or Toms River Code Enforcement. Emergencies dial 911.

Many thank you’s on this meeting and kudos to the A/V talent of our Board Shane Skwarek, and to Eileen Barron who wears so many hats, and to the Board.

A motion to adjourn was made by Cookson of 13 E. Dune Way, seconded by smith of 109 W Bayberry.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlotte M. Flohl
Board Secretary

