



TOWN OF BARNSTABLE

SANDY NECK BOARD

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Sandy Neck Board Meeting July 08, 2013

Chairman:

Richards French

Vice Chairman:

William Carey

Board Members:

Lynn Heslinga
Nate King
George Muhlebach
Peter Sampou

Council Liaisons:

June Daley

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Sandy Neck Board was held on July 08, 2013 at the Selectmen's Conference Room, 367 Main Street, Hyannis, MA. The meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm by Chairman Richard French.

Roll Call:

- Board Members present: Lynn Heslinga, Pete Sampou, Rich French, and Nate King. George Muhlebach arrived late.
- Staff: Nina Coleman, Sandy Neck Park Manager; and Debbie Lavoie, Secretary Pro Tem.
- Council Liaison: June Daley.
- Public: Wendy Paquette, Diane Lomba, Kylie Palomba, Steve Heslinga, Susan Vaughan/Barnstable Patriot, and Town Councilor Ann Canedy.

Act on Minutes:

- On a **motion** by Nate King and seconded by Bill Carey, the Sandy Neck Board voted to approve the June minutes as printed.

Correspondence:

- none

Staff Report:

Nina Coleman addressed the Board:

- The beach was totally closed for approximately one week because the eggs in the nest at the access trail hatched. There were 4 birds – 2 were predated – 2 left to fledge. The birds moved in an easterly direction. So each day, a little more of the beach opened.
- On July 4th there was 0.9 miles of open beach. Good parking plan management allowed for both campers and day trippers. Because of this [partial] closure, some day trippers were turned away on July 4th. No medical issues, only enforcement issues – mainly due to alcohol related issues.
- On July 5th one bird fledged. The second bird has still not fledged.
- By July 6th the beach was open to Trail 2 which is 1.5 miles and accommodates more people and also allows the cottage owners to use Trail 2.
- Terrapins are doing very well this season.
- Nina Coleman met with the Cottage Colony at their meeting on July 6th. Feedback was good regarding marsh trail repairs. Escort schedule was also discussed.
- The "lone star" tick was found off the trails - not on the front beach. This is the first time this type of tick has been found on Cape Cod. Lone star ticks are visually larger than wood ticks. The adult females have a white dot on their back. They transmit diseases including tularemia and human ehrlichiosis. More information can be found at http://healthvermont.gov/prevent/zoonotic/tickborne/documents/lone_star_tick_faq.pdf

Old Business:

Proposed Dune Nourishment in Front of Parking Lot.

- Nothing new to report.

Budget Update

- Nina Coleman reported that the FY 14 budget has been approved. Also approved was money from surplus for safety items including AEDs, mobile solar speed sign, and some upgraded radio equipment.

New Business:

Cottage Lease Progress

- Nina Coleman reported that the cottage leases have been extended for another year to allow the Town time to determine and review the value associated with the leases.

Public Comment:

- none

Adjournment:

- There being no further business, the Chairman ended the meeting at 7:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Lavoie, Secretary Pro Tem