



# TOWN OF BARNSTABLE SANDY NECK BOARD

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## Sandy Neck Board Meeting August 08, 2016

### Chairman:

Richards French

### Vice Chairman:

Thomas O'Neill

### Board Members:

William Carey  
Nate King  
George Muhlebach  
Peter Sampou

### Council Liaison:

Phil Wallace  
John Flores

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Sandy Neck Board was held on August 08, 2016 in the Selectmen's Conference Room, 367 Main Street, Hyannis, MA. The meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm by Chairman Rich French.

### **Roll Call:**

- Board Members present: Tom O'Neill, Bill Carey and Rich French.
- Board Members absent: Pete Sampou, George Muhlebach, and Nate King.
- Staff: Nina Coleman, Sandy Neck Park Manager, and Debbie Lavoie, Secretary.
- Council Liaisons present: John Flores.
- Council Liaisons absent: Phil Wallace.
- Public: Wendy Paquette.

**It was determined there was not a quorum present so this meeting is for informational purposes only – no votes will be taken.**

### **Act on Minutes:**

- Continued to next meeting.

### **Correspondence:**

- The Chairman received a letter from George Muhlebach which states: "Please inform the members of the Sandy Neck Board effective July 31, 2016, I will resign as a member of the Board." Rich French thanked him for his service and will forward his letter to the Town Council Secretary.

### **Staff Report:**

#### ***Nina Coleman addressed the Board:***

- The Gatehouse is open is 8:00 AM to 9:00 PM daily with staff on duty 24 hours a day.
- Thank you to Chief MacDonald for recognizing the need for increased police patrols on Sandy Neck and assigning two Barnstable Police Officers. They have been patrolling giving more visibility – which is very helpful.
- 1.8 miles of beach is open right now.
- Plovers: there are currently 34 nesting pairs with 23 chicks. Still have some unfledged chicks. Also some unfledged terns are still present.
- The Junior Ranger program is over for this season – very successful.
- Flora and Fauna hike on Sandy Neck on Wednesday, August 17<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to noon.
- There was a dolphin stranding at Sandy Neck on Saturday. Six were up by the cottage colony and 4 were at Great Thatch Island for a total of 10 animals. The dolphins were able to get back into the water with the combined help received from IFAW, Harbormaster Staff, Shellfish Staff, Sandy Neck Staff, and folks from the Cottage Colony. Thanks to all for their time and efforts.

***Town Councilor Flores*** addressed the Board and stated that he and Councilor Wallace had met with Pete Sampou to review the Long-term Coastal Resiliency Alternatives Report. Flores reported that both Town Councilors came to a consensus that they would also recommend the Conceptual Alternative #5 (which is what the Board voted on at their May meeting) and they would promote that alternative to their fellow Town Councilors.

*Nina Coleman* stated a final report needs to be handed into the State by September 30<sup>th</sup>. The final report is the end product to satisfy the grant requirements. There will be additional outreach to the Town Councilors in September. The next step is permitting and then after that would be construction design.

**Public Comment:**

- none

**Adjournment:**

- There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:54 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Lavoie, Secretary