

**HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT
MEETING
May 11, 2022**

Present

Chuck Rage, Chairman & Commissioner
Robert Ladd, Commissioner
Carson Miller, Treasurer

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Sand Sculpture Event

Greg Grady said it is the 22nd anniversary for the Sand Sculpture event. He said they have a great lineup of sculptors this year. Sculptors who won last year for First Place, Peoples' Choice and Sculptors' Choice will be back this year. Hopefully the Governor will be coming to present the Governor's Award.

Mr. Grady said sand will be dropped June 9th. The competition will take place on June 16th, 17th and 18th. The winners will be announced on June 18th at 8:00 p.m. followed by the fireworks. The sculptures will remain through June 26th. The theme will be "Greatest Show in Sand".

Mr. Grady said they have a good base of volunteers, but could use more during the second week from noon to 3:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Anyone interested should contact him at 603-929-6301.

Old Business

Amands Momeault, Entertainment Director, said she is taking care of last minute details and everything is good to go. Ms. Momeault said she has a running list of bands that can be called if there is a cancellation or to come in next year. She said she was questioned about lighting that needs to be installed by the State. Chairman Rage said he would check on this.

Commissioner Ladd asked Ms. Momeault about her budget. She said everything is good.

Chairman Rage presented posters for Fireworks, Monday Night Movies, Miss Hampton Beach Pageant, Beach Fire Show and Circus Night.

New Business

Commissioner Ladd said if the weather is good for the Sand Sculpture Event it will place attendance for those weeks in the top 10% of any museums in the world. This event creates an opportunity for children to have an artistic experience and to realize that art is not just paintings on the wall.

Chairman Rage said he is still waiting for parts and pieces for the playground. He said he did get a selfie shark which the kids will love.

Chairman Rage discussed the coupon books for any businesses in the Village District. This is a great value because it is free. The coupon books will be available in all hotels, real estate offices and at the Chamber of Commerce Visitors Center. Any business that wants to be included should contact him.

Public Comment

Richard Reniere, 29 Highland Avenue, asked the Commissioners to explain about exempt and non-exempt and the deadline. Chairman Rage said the deadline is set at April 15th. You cannot apply for this if your property is used in any commercial way. This includes rentals. Taxes go to General Government and then to Entertainment. All events are paid for through Village District tax. Forms can be obtained at the Tax Collector's Office.

Commissioner Ladd encouraged people to come to the beach. You will see happy people!

The Winnacunnet band will perform on May 28th, 29th and 31st.

Chairman Rage discussed residential parking. Numbered streets are not done yet. He will work on getting this completed.

Closing Comments

Chairman Rage said everyone should understand that the first warm day will bring a large number of people to the beach. Most are good people, but some are not. Just be aware.

Commissioner Ladd said this will be the first really open season In three years. There is so much at the beach to enjoy and the entertainment is free.

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Approval of Minutes

The Minutes of April 13th will be addressed next month.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Rice
Secretary