

**HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT
MEETING
September 14 2022**

Present

Chuck Rage, Chairman & Commissioner
Maureen Buckley, Commissioner
Robert Ladd, Commissioner

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Estuary Management Plan

Rayanne Dionne said she was representing the Seabrook Hampton Estuary Alliance. She said she would give an update on the development of the Estuary Plan. Two chapters have been completed – Vision and Management Objective. The Estuary Management Plan is a multi faceted document that goes from where we are today to where we will be 30 years from now. Five year updates will be given. This plan is very similar to a Master Plan. We are looking for consensus between the communities and also coordination. This plan is funded by the New Hampshire State Conservation Commission Newsplate grant and the Piscataqua Regional Estuary Partnership. This allowed FB Environmental to work with us.

Ms. Dionne discussed the Vision chapter. The purpose is to see what the three communities (Hampton, Hampton Falls, and Seabrook) want the estuary to look like. This was addressed with the survey given to the three towns. Ms. Dionne then read the Vision Statement.

Commissioner Ladd asked what posed the most danger to the estuary. Ms. Dionne said it was climate change. Chairman Rage asked how all this can be implemented. Ms. Dionne said this document will guide our work as an organization. They will also be doing grant applications.

Jay Diener then addressed the Management Objective chapter. Mr. Diener said the objective is to provide a framework for the work to be done in the estuary by each of the three communities. There are five goals: 1) A healthy estuary environment for aquatic and avian wildlife; 2) An ecosystem and estuary infrastructure protection to preserve flood storage;

3) Management of safe and equitable commercial and recreational uses of the estuary; 4) Keeping our communities involved in estuary protection; and 5) Use sound science to coordinate and implement planning and management efforts.

Mr. Diener said strategies and action items are still to be added. Mr. Diener said they are in the process of meeting with Boards of Selectmen, Planning Boards, etc. in each community.

Commissioner Ladd asked if there will be an impact study of sea level rise through this organization. Mr. Diener said they do not have funding for that. Commissioner Ladd asked how much a study would cost. Mr. Diener said \$40-\$50,000.

Chairman Rage said he had just received word that Isabelle McCabe has recently passed away and asked for a Moment of Silence.

Entertainment

Amanda Momeault, Entertainment Director, said this was a very good year. Bands are already being booked for next year. The calendar will be done by the beginning of next year. We want to bring back Polka Day and Country Week. Ms. Momeault gave a big thanks to the stage guys. She said she is very excited for next summer.

Lisa Martineau, Co-Director of Marketing, gave a thank you to Marguerite who has helped with videos and photography. She has been there for every event. She will be introduced at the next meeting. Ms. Martineau said there were 1.1 million clicks on Facebook which is 200% more than last year. Yoga was a big event this year and we hope to continue next year.

Chairman Rage said people come to Hampton Beach from all over. There is no other place like it. People get so much for free.

Old Business

Commissioner Buckley thanked all the businesses for their support.

Commissioner Ladd thanked the community for its support

Chairman Rage thanked Public Works, Police and Fire, State Police and the Town employees who work so well together.

New Business

Commissioner Ladd said he is a member of the Pier Advisory Committee. There has been discussion about where a pier should be located, etc. Various areas have been looked at. Maintenance of a pier is also a very important issue to be considered. Commissioner Ladd said he would let the Commissioners know when the report is completed.

Approval of Minutes

Moved by Commissioner Ladd, seconded by Commissioner Buckley, to approve the Minutes of August 10, 2022.

Vote: 3 yes, 0 no. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment

There was no Public Comment.

Closing Comments

Commissioner Buckley said it was a good summer, hot but good.

Commissioner Ladd said the Fire Show and the Circus are wonderful for children. It would be a good idea to pursue other events like this.

Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Rice
Secretary