

## VILLAGE OF OCEAN BEACH ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

October 28, 2025 via Zoom

**Attendees:** Sage Block, Camille Guigliano, Beth Jacobwitz, David Lipsky, Lisa Lowe, Griffin Pollack, and Emily Wicks

**Minutes.** Minutes are finalized for 7/6, 7/20, 8/3, 8/12, 9/8, and 9/25. Waiting for minutes from 10/14 and today's meeting. Action: SG to post finalized minutes.

**Newsletter.** Discussed status of draft newsletter. CG submitted her article on marine conservation and tracking. DL/LL submitted an article on bird identification apps. GP to finish the article on tree/plant identification apps.

**Website.** DL and CG have completed their updates to the websites sections. BJ requested all others to complete their updates as assigned. Actions: SB, BJ, LL, GP, and EW to finish updates to their assigned sections.

**Natural Resource Inventory.** SB working with GP to use GIS data. SG indicated that no LIDAR NOAA information has been obtained since 2014. To date, no one from Village has signed up to participate in the inventory. It was agreed that we would continue to work on this in the spring.

**Community Composting.** CG indicated that when she is out she has been turning the bins a couple of times per week and that the material in the bins is very dry. She also noted that the lock on the left is difficult to use. Aviva Grosso indicated she is interested in composting and we agreed to reach out to her in the spring. We also agreed that we would revisit composting in spring and that we would put up flyers.

**Instagram Account.** EW reported that the Dune Day event got over 900 views. They will be adding information on pumpkins.

**OBA Purchase of VOBEC Branded Merchandise.** OBA is providing \$250 towards the merchandise. BJ indicated that she has not been able to find Sara to give her the check. SB suggested using Zelle or dropping of the check to her parents. Action: Each individual needs to pay \$11 to cover the extra cost.

**Dune Day.** DL reported that Vinnie Fazio will be dropping the beach grass at the necessary locations as this is patch work effort (i.e., filling areas where beach grass is dead or missing). We need to remind individuals that they need to bring shovels and gloves. DL to contact Vinnie about providing shovels.

**Beach Cleanup.** DL working on finalizing data to submit to Ocean Conservancy.

**LWRP.** Topic will be tabled until we hear otherwise from the Village BOT.

**Beach Management.** No response from KS or GH. Continuing to request JDF to follow-up with these individuals.

**Next meeting.** November 19, 2025 @ 7 PM via Zoom.