

## VILLAGE OF OCEAN BEACH ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

### Meeting Minutes

August 3, 2024, 10:00 a.m.

Windswept

Present: Sage Block (via zoom), Camille Guigliano, Beth Jacobwitz, David Lipsky, Lisa Lowe, Emily Wicks.

Note: Part of meeting filmed by Eliza Mitnick and documentary crew, LL recused during filming.

1. **Approval of Minutes.** The minutes from July 7, 2024 and July 20, 2024 are approved with minor changes.
2. **Membership.** Kathy Roberts has decided she is not interested. Bob Stack has not responded to request for a CV.  
  
**Action:** CG will reach out again.
3. **Website Review.** JD proposes we incorporate the VOBEC website. VOBEC members would prefer to keep website separate. JD said the Village will pay for VOBEC website maintenance roughly \$200 annually.
4. **Oyster Shell Collection.** CG reports that there have been some hiccups with the oyster shell collection this season. She is trying to discuss with Jenn Moritz and Jon Randazzo.
5. **OBYG.** There is not going to be an event this year. VOBEC needs to educate camp on how to use composting bins. DL discusses possibly having Save the Great South Bay do experiments with the kids.
6. **EAD Debrief.** Event was well attended and the speakers were very knowledgeable. All who attended were engaged and interested. Next year: Poster colors should be darker, maybe some bigger; se weren't able to run print ad; need an EAD banner, discussed later.
7. **Beach Cleanup.** Will occur on Sept. 21, DL will be point person. Will divide up tasks. CG to provide DL with email addressed.  
  
**Action:** DL will pick up materials from Village Office, divide and organize.  
BJ will store materials  
EW will advertise event.
8. **Community Composting.** EW sent out summary and will post on the Bulletin Board. Related discussion of brush clean up day in the Village.
9. **LWRP.** Nothing new to report.
10. **Beach Management.** Nothing new to report.
11. **Natural Resource Inventory.** Need to follow up with Village on payment for program.
12. **Recycling Coordinator.** No update.

**13. Climate Smart Community.** No update.

**14. Banners.** Discussion of sizes and need. Will get banners for EAD, Dune Day, Tree giveaway.

**Action:** EW to circulate mock up.

**15. Dune Day.** CG to examine area to determine if a smaller event in order in light of Army Corp. planting earlier in the season.

**Action:** CG to confirm with JD that funds available.

**16. Newsletter.** Possible new topics considered. Tie into beach clean up with microplastics in the environment.. Due October 1, 2024.

Action: DL do an article on different types of plastics.

CG main article on plastics.

BJ discuss other beach clean up efforts.

**17. Meeting.** The next meeting shall be August 21, 2024, 7:00 p.m. via zoom.

Respectfully submitted,  
Camille Guigliano