

VILLAGE OF OCEAN BEACH ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

April 29, 2024, 7:00 PM

Via Zoom

Present: Sage Block, Camille Guigliano, Beth Jacobwitz, David Lipsky, Lisa Lowe, Emily Wicks,
Guest: Eliza Mitnick.

- 1. Membership.** Judy Steinman has submitted her resignation and Sage Block has been approved as a new member. CG met with DLL to discuss his projects and when his VOBEC materials can be transferred to current members. The primary project that needs a new point person is the beach clean-up. CG described the tasks involved and a point person will be assigned later this season. DLL agreed to mentor the person this season.

Action: CG will confirm that DLL has reached out to Sarah from Ocean Conservancy alerting her to the change in point person.

CG will also collect the VOBEC materials in early May and re-distribute as necessary.

CG will reach out to people mentioned at the meeting as potential replacements for JS.

ALL: Think about taking on the beach clean-up project.

- 2. Newsletter.** DJL has some structural comments and CG made some minor edits on two documents.

Action: CG will forward documents to EW.

EW will then send out a draft for final review and then publish.

- 3. Tree Planting Program.** Event will take place 10 AM - 12 PM, May 19th, at the ballfield. Neptune Nursery and the Community Garden Center have agreed to participate. Ad placed on Facebook.

Action: BJ to reach out to MS about inclusion in Notes from the Beach; bring paper for raffle.

All to bring gloves and meet at the ball field at 9:30 AM.

CG will get copies of tree legislation and forms from the Village and ask KS to drop off three tables.

- 4. EAD Topic.** EW reached out to Surfrider but no response. She will continue to try. CG/DJL will follow up on alternative energy speakers.

- 5. Beach Management.** CG reached out to Jill Weinstein and gathered information on lifeguard responsibilities. DJL and CG will continue to gather information on which entities are responsible for what activities.

Action: All need to review.

CG/DJL: Continue to flesh out the various sections.

6. Recycling Bins. EW has been getting lots of yeses but nothing has been happening.

Action: EW will follow up with CoC.

SB will reach out to Scott Hirsch.

7. OBYG. EW in discussions with Sophie Pollack and believes our contribution will be a one-day event, working with the various age groups.

Action. EW will follow up with Sophie to determine the program.

8. LWRP. No update.

Action. LL to draft letter to Trustees clarifying VOBEC's role.

9. Natural Resource Inventory.

Action: SB will look into apps for phone that allow GIS mapping.

DJL to reach out to SBU about interns.

10. Recycling Coordinator. No update.

11. Climate Smart Community.

Action: BJ to draft and circulate resolution.

12. Garbage Rule and Regulations. CG to follow-up on an email that was sent to the Board in December requesting to be involved with upcoming revision of garbage rules.

Action: CG to discuss with JD.

13. OBA/Community Fund Homeowners Brunch. Scheduled for June 8th. LL will speak on behalf of VOBEC.

14. Meeting. The next meeting shall be May 15, 2024 7:00 PM via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,
Camille Guigliano

