SKIPPERS' COVE BEACH CLUB, INC.

PO Box 667, 5 Bluebeard Drive, Waretown, NJ 08758

General Membership Meeting Minutes

Saturday, June 15th, 2024

- Call to Order – 11:02
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Moment of Silence – Tony Calavano's Mother
- Establish Quorum – No Quorum
- Rules of Order for General Meetings
    - No video or audio recording permitted
- Minutes from the April 20th, 2024 General Meeting were posted prior to this meeting on the SCBC official website (www.skipperscovebeach.club) and additional hard copies were available in back of room.
- Committee Reports:
    - **TREASURER'S REPORT** – Mary Pat Leonard
        - Treasurers Report, Profit and Loss and Balance Report copies were provided in the back of room.
        - Bills are paid and up to date. Deposits have been recorded in Quickbooks.
        - Requested records for the 2023 Audit were supplied to the Audit Committee.
    - **MEMBERSHIP REPORT** – Mike Wesolowski
        - All households have paid their 2024 Membership Dues.
        - The Hard Copy SCBC Directory for 2024 is underway. Please look at the 2022 SCBC Directory and provide any additions or changes via the 2024 Membership Contact Form sent out in a recent mailchimp to the community. The new directory should be available by the end of the summer. Contact Brenda Poole with any questions.
    - **EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES** – Mike O'Neil
        - The first ever Cinco de Mayo was held on May 4th. A Taco Bar was provided, and delicious Margaritas were served. Thank you, Pat Pelletier and the Committee for chairing this event. It was a potluck dinner and 70 attended.
        - Founders Day Fireworks were held on May 25th. The bar was open, and a huge crowd enjoyed the fireworks sitting on the new picnic tables in addition to the bar tables.
        - The Memorial Day Service was held on May 27th. Mike Wesoloski chaired the event and did a great job. Some of the programs had to be canceled due to inclement weather. The event was heartfelt and well attended.

- Memorial Day BBQ, immediately following the Memorial Day Service, was held mostly inside due to inclement weather. 65 adults and 3 children attended. Hamburgers, hotdogs and pork roll were provided by SCBC, and members brought their favorite dishes to share. Thanks to Jim and Joe Bercaw for manning the grill in the intermittent rain.
- Upcoming Events:
  - Wii Bowling - June 15th
  - Cornhole Tournament - July 20th
  - Summer Evening on the Bay - July 26th
  - All Boats Out - August 17th
  - Labor Day BBQ – September 1st
  - Fishing Tournament - September 21st.
- Thanks to all the volunteers who set up, cook, replenish food, run games and clean up for SCBC events. It is greatly appreciated.

o **GROUNDS** – Maria Barrows

- The beach area is up and running for the 2024 season. Many members are using our beautiful beach.
- The Garden Club has been busy. Under the direction of Stephanie Gebhardt, the gardens around Skippers' Cove look beautiful. A special thanks to Stephanie for her time and dedication.
- Many assembled at SCBC to take down the large green bush by the shed which was blocking important signage. In addition, ornamental grasses by the shed needed to be removed. Thanks to all who came to help! Mark Mastorelli arrived with an excavator and helped to remove the bush and ornamental grasses. The area will be mulched, and annuals will be planted. A small, slow growing tree is under discussion with the BOD.
- 2 new polywood Adirondack chairs were purchased to replace a couple of broken blue vinyl cloth chairs.
- 2 swings were replaced, and 2 new sets of shuffleboard equipment were purchased.
- Handicapped decals were placed in the handicapped spots on the new picnic table.
- 6 umbrellas were donated for the new picnic tables by one of Al G's distributors. 2 more umbrellas are needed and will hopefully be donated.
- Thank you, Al G and Jim Bercaw, for bearing the cold water and installing the ropes and ladder for the swim area.
- Thanks to Al G for fixing the lights and timer at the entrance to Skippers' Cove which keep tripping.

o **HOUSE** – Sal Eppolito

- There are 7 scheduled rentals for 2024. June 22nd, June 23rd, June 29th, July 28th, August 10th, August 24th and September 14th.
- The Clubhouse has a new roof! E&J Contractors, owned by John Okinsky (a Cove resident) did a great job. Thanks to Lee Lawton, who has expertise in building inspection, for reviewing the estimates and examining the roof during construction. John Okinsky said the roof was in better condition than he expected and only 5-6 sheets of plywood had to be replaced. The big attic fan was also replaced. Thanks to Paul Amodio who disconnected the wires to the little exhaust fan that was not working or needed.

- Help is needed cleaning the attic due to debris from the roof installation. Sal will reach out to members for help.

- **MARINA –** Christine Herring
  - All 19 slips have been rented by Skippers' Cove residents for the 2024 season.
  - Christine called the DEP on May 28th to request the replacement of the broken markers in the bay to the entrance of the lagoon behind Hornblower. The markers are on backorder and will be replaced in 3 – 4 weeks. Christine will follow up with the DEP to make sure it happens.
  - The dock at the Marina property adjacent to the Kutner's property was removed and replaced by Chris and Bob Volk and looks great. The dock was raised, and a handrail was added. Work was completed June 13th. The cost of the slip rental was prorated from April 15th to June 13th.
  - Christine ordered and installed 'End of Ramp' signs to warn boaters of the big drop and the end of the ramp. The existing ramp was installed on top of a crumbling concrete ramp and due to cost and getting DEP approval, repair or replacement is problematic.
  - Dredging the lagoon behind Hornblower is also a problem due to cost and finding a place to dump the spoils. Pebble Beach has similar issues and might have found a place to dump the spoils. Roger Ackermann, head of the SC Dredging Committee, will contact Pebble Beach for more information.
  - The Marina sign was painted and looks great.
  - A Vessel Safety Check was held June 1st by US Coast Guard Auxiliary Member Stuart Smith. 13 boats were inspected.
- **BAR** – Al Giancola
  - Bar is doing well. Stocked and ready for upcoming rentals and club events.
  - There are a few new bar tenders who have taken the TIPS class. Mike O'Neil is one of them and will co-bartend Wii Bowling and Game Night tonight.
  - Inventory, purchasing, deliveries and cleaning of the bar are ongoing and being managed successfully.
  - At the Memorial Day Service, the pulley broke during the lowering of the flag.
    - Al contacted the Township of Ocean and Waretown Fire Department but neither has a bucket/ladder truck.
    - Multiple flag companies were contacted for estimates.
    - East Coast Flag and Flagpole Company from Beachwood came and fixed/replaced what was needed for a fraction of the cost of the other estimates. They confirmed that one of the main pulleys rusted away but were able to switch the ropes to the additional pulley that was in perfect shape.
- **FELLOWSHIP** – Linda Beveridge (Brenda for Linda)
  - Sympathy Cards were sent to:
    - Tony Calavano
  - Get Well/Thinking of you Cards were sent to:
    - Audrey Vernon, Fred Kutner, Mike Cicenia and Kevin Hartnett.
  - A Welcome Bag was delivered to 14 Bluebeard Way.

        - If anyone knows of a resident that needs a card, whether for an illness, death, new baby or just because they need a lift, please let Linda or any board member know so a card can be sent.
    - **SKIPPERETTES' REPORT** – Pat Cicenia
        - The Card and Game Party held May 23rd was very successful.
        - Bev Beihl and Peg Hendricks attended the Southern Regional High School Awards Ceremony on May 30th. 4 seniors were presented with $500 Skipperettes scholarships. An anonymous donor enabled the Skipperettes to double the scholarships from 2 to 4 recipients.
        - The June 11th meeting was a Country Hoe Down complete with pulled pork, chicken tenders, sides, desserts, ice cream sundaes and line dancing. It was a fantastic time and is already being requested for next year.
        - September 10th is the next formal meeting.
        - Summer events include:
            - Easel On Down paint project June 25th
            - Little Red School House historical lecture and tour July 9th (all are welcome)
            - Summer Evening on the Bay July 26th
            - Popcorn and a Movie August 13th
    - **MEN'S CLUB REPORT** – Scott Hartkopf (Al G for Scott)
        - All Boats Out Event will be held August 17th.
        - The Fishing Tournament is moved to September 21st.
        - Summer Evening on the Bay is July 26th. This event is co-chaired with Skipperettes and Beachcombers.
        - The Annual Dinner will be held August 14th.
    - **BEACHCOMBERS –** Tony Repice
        - 3 successful raffles were held in May. Cinco de Mayo ($395), Skipperettes Card and Game Party ($1470) and the Memorial Day BBQ ($405).
        - $250 was donated to the Tunnel to Towers Foundation.
        - There is $271 in the General Due Account and $1050 in the Gaming Account.
- **Old Business:**
    - None
- **New Business:**
    - Thank you to the Audit Committee (Bob Sheffield, Donna DiLorenzo and Chair Mary Mirabello). The 2023 Audit of the Skippers' Cove books found that all was in good order. Random samples of deposits, withdrawals and receipts were compared, and the findings were satisfactory.
    - 4 BOD Positions are up for election. President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President and Secretary. As part of the election process, a Nominating Committee consisting of 5 members is selected. As stipulated in the bylaws, the BOD has selected Peg Hendricks and Pat Eppolito with Peg as Chair. 3 additional members are needed. Elaine Glasser has expressed interest. Kathy Guerra volunteered at the General Meeting. 1 more member is needed so please consider volunteering.
- **Open Discussion:**
    - Fred Kutner thanked Fellowship for the get-well cards he received.

- Fred Kutner brought up the speeding problem on Hornblower and around the Cove in general. All agreed that this is indeed a dilemma.
    - Brenda will send out a mailchimp reminding members of the 25-mph speed limit and ask members to please pass the word to relatives and friends that visit.
    - Carol will call the Township and ask them to put up the flashing speed sign on Hornblower. She will also request the Police Department give out tickets – not just warnings to residents.
    - Mary Pat Leonard called the Ocean Township Board of Education after she and her husband Bob witnessed the reckless speeding of a school bus. The Ocean Township Board of Education was very appreciative and called the bus company to alert them of the problem.
- Summer Evening on the Bay, sponsored by Skipperettes, the Men's Club and Beachcombers, will be held on July 26th. Pat Eppolito is chairing this event and would like everyone to spread the word to their neighbors. It is a wonderful event to enjoy and encourage participation in these clubs. A Mailchimp detailing the event will be forthcoming and flyers will be delivered to each household.

- **Adjourn**
    - 12:06 - Motion to Adjourn by Roger Ackermann and seconded by Mary Mirabello.