Nauset Heights Association, Inc. Member Annual Meeting Minutes August 23, 2014

Home of Grace & Patrick Maraghy 34 Nauset Heights Road

- President Carl Trevison called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m. and thanked Grace and Patrick for hosting the meeting
- Carl remembered those members and neighbors we lost during the past 12 months
 - Connie Calderwood
 - Lisa Mahaney
 - Scott Shedden
 - Nora Hersey
 - Ann Hersey Zelle
 - Eric Miller
 - Palmer McGee
- Carl introduced our guest speaker, Steve Bornemeier, President of the Board of
 Directors of the Orleans Community Partnership (OCP). Steve gave a very informative
 presentation on the history, goals and projects of the OCP, explaining their purpose is to
 "Champion cultural, environmental and economic vitality" in Orleans and the surrounding
 areas. A donation will be made to the Lower Cape Outreach Council on his behalf.
- Carl introduced the current Board of Directors:
 - Jim Tyng 1st VP
 - Sandy Davidson 2nd VP
 - King Nelson Past President & Recording Secretary
 - Kathy Pattison Corresponding Secretary
 - Joan Corcoran Newsletter
 - Fred Turner Treasurer
 - Bob Munson Clerk
 - Tina Butler Director term ends August 2014
 - Joyce Hoffman Director term ends August 2014
 - Charlie Carlson Director to 2015
 - Jackie Rockwood Director to 2015
 - Jeff Larsen Director to 2016
 - Peter Previdi Director to 2016
 - Carl Trevison President
- King reviewed the minutes from the July 2014 Member Meeting. A motion was made to approve them and the vote to do so was unanimous.

- Fred presented the Treasurer's Report, stating the association is "very healthy," with 193 paid members. He stated the stairs are well provided for and that the NHA has approximately \$54,500 in the bank across all funds. Major expenses during the past years were insurance (\$4500), printing and mailing (\$1300), the Lawn Party (\$2350) and the storage facility (\$1000). Our new budgeting procedures have been a big assistance and he did not perceive any dues increase in the near future. Additionally, Fred stated we are looking for a better price for our current insurance coverages.
- Carl thanked Barbara Wigren as NHA Historian head of Community Outreach, and the Environmental Committee (Bill Dunham, Hank Schmacher, Bill Romey and Kate McCarthy) for their hard work
- The Nominating Committee of Bob Munson and Barbara Wigren prepared their slate of new officers and directors for consideration by the membership. These were:
 - Meredith Farmer Director through August 2017
 - Kent Zelle Director through August 2017
 - Jim Tyng President through August 2016
 - Sandy Davidson 1st Vice President through August 2016
 - Dave Strickler 2nd Vice President through August 2016
- Carl thanked the outgoing Directors for their service Tina Butler and Joyce Hoffman
 Jim Tyng took over the meeting at this time, as is customary for the new President
- Additional business Carl returned to lead a discussion on the current status regarding natural gas on the Heights. Gas-handling capacity is apparently a major issue for the utility, with major gas mains requiring upgrades on the upper and mid-Cape areas. The consensus is we need to keep the pressure on National Grid as individuals to seek additional expansion throughout the neighborhood. Carl and Pete Previdi are the key players on behalf of the association. Pete indicated he felt there would be a two-year wait while National Grid increases their capacity for this area. Barb Wigren asked Carl to please send out the appropriate people and their contact information to target at the utility.
- Jim reviewed the normal schedule of member meetings for the NHA, wondering if separate events are necessary or desired in both July and August. He indicated this will be discussed at the upcoming Board of Directors Meeting in September and recommends a survey be sent out to all members on this subject by October.
- Pat Tyng explained some preliminary planning in recognition of the 100th anniversary of the Nauset Heights subdivision in 2015 and ways to recognize this occasion:
 - "Big Birthday Party" in lieu of the Lawn Party "the same only grander"
 - Vintage Cottage Tour
 - Exhibit of Vintage Photos of Nauset Heights
 - 100th Anniversary Booklet, with member photos, stories, etc.
 - An special <u>100th Anniversary DVD</u> with drone footage of the Heights and original music scored by the Tyng's son, Chris

Jim provided an update on the ongoing Eastham Spit Spat. The NHA Position Statement has been delivered to the Orleans Board of Selectmen and several discussions followed. It was made clear that the 200 vehicles allowed by the 1991 Order of Conditions would consist only of Orleans taxpayer ORVs, irrespective of which portion of the beach is used. Additionally, it was stated emphatically that Eastham will not be permitted to use Callanan's Pass to get to the North Spit.

Jim stated that at the August 20, 2014 Executive Session of the Selectmen four (4) separate letters were written and discussed:

- Letter sent to the George Price, Superintendent for the National Park Service (NPS), showing that the beach on North Spit is part of Orleans and not the NPS. This was emphasized/clarified based on the records from the creation of the National Seashore in 1961, when Orleans committed to retain control and management responsibility for the beach (unlike Eastham and other towns)
- Letter of Response to the Eastham Board of Selectmen regarding the Eastham failure to respond to items in our July letter to them. Orleans also corrected numerous misstatements in the Eastham failed response.
- Letter to the Eastham Conservation Commission confirming that we have received their "Cease and Desist" order and will attend their meeting on Tuesday, August 26, 2014. We also indicated we are requesting a stay until Eastham received our Notice of Intent regarding Orleans' continued beach management.
- Letter to the Callanan's Pass Association emphasizing the Orleans Board of Selectmen have no intention of allowing any Eastham vehicles to use Callanan's Pass
- The meeting was adjourned at 10:44 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kingsley H. Nelson Recording Secretary