Nauset Heights Association, Inc. Member Meeting Minutes July 15, 2017 Kessler-Colquhoun Home 11 Aspinet Road

- President Sandy Davidson called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m., after a well-attended social "half-hour." Approximately 58 people attended the meeting.
- Sandy thanked Chad and Bob for hosting the meeting and explained the 2 membermeeting formats; i.e., the July meeting focuses on the social and informational with a guest speaker, while the August meeting is the NHA official Annual Meeting which includes voting, other business issues, etc. She thanked the board members and mentioned the new NHA stairs that were completed over the winter.
- King introduced Orleans Police Chief Scott MacDonald, and described the recent First Place finish in the *All New England Community Policing Award* program that was presented to the Orleans Police Department first among all towns under 15,000 population throughout <u>all</u> of New England.

Chief MacDonald gave a wonderful presentation and talked about how to market the Orleans Police Department (OPD), their communications program, a recent counterfeit scam, the new police station, and the use of technology in modern policing. He spoke about how to improve police services and asked for questions on any topic. Speed along Nauset Heights Road was discussed as well as in other parts of Town and what they are doing to enforce the laws, as well as the need for repainting Nauset Heights Road after the recent ChipSeal process. Sandy asked about the crime rate in Orleans and the opioid crisis, and how to sign-up for alert emails from OPD. Chief MacDonald spoke briefly about the new police station and how it will enhance their ability to provide services, etc.

Sandy thanked Chief MacDonald and explained a donation is being made to the Orleans Police Relief Association in his honor for being our guest speaker. She also indicated a donation is being made to the Lower Cape Outreach Council on behalf of Chad and Bob for hosting our meeting.

- Sandy indicated the Nauset Heights book that Jim Tyng wrote is still available for \$25 from the NHA as well as at two local book stores in Town. She also indicated the association has several new members and invited the three who were present to introduce themselves -- Carrie Ackerman, Lisa Rourke and Dave "Duke" Duquette. On a sadder note, Sandy indicated that Nauset Heights had lost four long-time members Nancy Callanan Barker, Edie Sheddon Cowgill, Harriet Brigham and Bill Romey.
- Dave described the association activities and events for 2017:
 - Spring Clean-up -- cancelled due to inclement weather -- Bill Dunham
 - Horseshoe Crab Walk big success Janet Bush
 - Golf Outing Monday, July 17 still two openings Fred Turner
 - Beach Bonfire Saturday, July 22 Carl Trevison
 - Tennis Tournament July 29-30 Jim Tyng

- Lawn Party Saturday, August 5 Charlie Carlson and Meredith Farmer
- Sand Sculpture Contest Saturday, August 12
- Annual Meeting Saturday, August 19
- Charlie talked about the upcoming Lawn Party, emphasizing August 5 with a rain date of August 6 if necessary. It will be held at the Tyng's home [5:00 – 7:00 p.m.], with new music this year but many of the usual aspects – raw bar, wine, beer and soda, hearty appetizers, parking with attendants to assist, etc. He indicated it is open to members, their families and guests and the cost is \$10 that can be paid by check ahead of time or at the event. He circulated sign-up sheets for members to volunteer to assist, emphasizing it is a great way to meet other members.
- Sandy said the August 19 Annual Meeting includes a business meeting and voting for officers and directors and encouraged members to let one of the directors know if they want to serve on the board. She also gave a big "shout out" to Bill Dunham, head of the Environmental Committee for his work on the clean-ups, the Horseshoe Crab Walk and for the litany of valuable resources he has for members on invasive species, etc., inviting attendees to visit his table as they leave the meeting.
- Kate McCarthy asked if anyone had sighted a Fisher Cat as has been rumored. Don Wicke, among others, said they are around, indicating he just cleaned up a dead baby Fisher on his property.
- The meeting was adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Kingsley H. Nelson Recording Secretary