

WILDWOOD ASSOCIATES

Board Meeting

29 November 2023

11 Birch Lane

Board Members Present:

Jack Hackendorn, President, via Zoom

Rob Swartwout, Vice President

Beth Riley, Secretary

Leslie McKenney, Member at Large

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. Jack Hackendorn opened the meeting by asking about the Winter Solstice Luminara. Becky McKinnell has volunteered to organize the celebration again this year.

The Board is also looking for a volunteer to host a Wildwood Holiday Party. Please let us know if you are interested.

Budget Update:

Treasurer Suzanne Dupre was unable to attend the meeting but relayed that we currently have a balance of \$12,494.81. She is working to get the 2024 dues invoices emailed soon.

Items we need to budget for: continued knotweed eradication; low plantings/gardens on reserve to help with edge erosion; bittersweet removal.

Bank Management Plan:

Jack will call the Town to check on the status of our Shoreland Zoning Permit and to determine if it needs renewing. He will also ask if the Town plans to address the knotweed growing on the west side of Concord Circle.

Leslie will contact Owens-Haskell to schedule an initial measurement of bank edge movement.

Jack will book Wes Bellow for bank trimming in the spring

We will evaluate the success of the beach grass plantings in the spring.

Bittersweet at Entrance:

The Board discussed getting quotes to control bittersweet in the woods near the entrance. If you have recommendations for companies you've used, please pass them to the Board in the next couple of weeks so that we can schedule estimates in January.

New Business:

There are a number of kayak racks and other items remaining on the beach and woods. Wildwood beach is subject to Maine's Natural Resources Protection Act which permits such items on the beach between April 1 and November 1 only. Please remove remaining equipment from the beach.

The water spigot on the beach installed by Master Plumber Caleb Ballard has met all Town of Cumberland requirements.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.