Nauset Heights Association Member Meeting Minutes July 8, 2023

Home of Kathy Pattison and Dave Strickler

President Mark Ayer welcomed members to the meeting at 9:03 AM and thanked Kathy and Dave for hosting this informational July meeting. The next meeting to be held on August 19th will primarily deal with the business end NHA dealings.

Mark introduced Nancy Case, recording secretary, who read the NHA member meeting minutes from August 20, 2022. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Mark introduced the Board of Directors. They are:

1st Vice Chair – Scott Zenke

Past President – Ann Deming

Treasurer & Clerk – Dave Stickler

Corresponding Secretary – Kathy Pattison

Recording Secretary – Nancy Case

Board of Directors - Bob Colquhoun, Paul Soules, Susan Brezina, Laura Ogonowksi, Elyse Klein and Josh Paine.

Mark requested a moment of silence to mark the passing of members Bill Burling, Rigney Cunningham, Jackie Rockwood, Hilde Rich, Alice Ungethuem, and Barbara Very.

Mark asked if there were any new members present. New member Russ Howell introduced himself and wife Emily Howell of 8 Standish Road. The Howells were welcomed by all and given a NHA complimentary hat .

Mark next spoke about the season's upcoming events. They include:

Sand Sculpture Contest – July 15th - more volunteers are needed to help run this event.

Beach Bonfire – July 15th – Scott Zenke polled members to see where they preferred the bonfire to be held due to 2023 ORV erosion ban. The members preferred walking to the end of Callanan's Pass over Priscilla Landing's bug issue. The bonfire will therefore be held on the beach at the end of Callanan's by the ORV entrance.

Golf Outing – July 17th – Jim Case has a few spots for members that might be interested.

Tennis Round Robin – August 5th

Wine Tasting – August 5th

Lawn Party – August 12th – Our biggest and most expensive social event of the season.

Mark spoke for Bob Colquhoun (lawn party committee chair) about the lawn party particulars. This year it will be held at the Garity home on Skunk's Bluff. The lawn party will once again be supporting local businesses, they include CIBO and Hog Island. This year monitors will be working at the kid's games. Mark mentioned that while the committee is working hard to keep costs in check, due to inflation the price of an adult ticket will increase to \$25 per person. Once again, there will be no charge for kids. Laura Ogonowski and Kim Stott passed around a clipboard with the request for volunteers to sign up for shifts at the sign in, bar and food tables.

Annual Member Meeting – August 20th

Board of Director's Meeting – September 9th

Fall Spruce Up – October 14

Mark gave a membership update. At this time, the NHA has 209 member families, 70% of whom paid for their membership online. Mark mentioned that the website is being updated to include a member portal where members will be able to log on, pay their dues, and make any changes to their contact information directly in the portal.

Mark introduced Richard Delaney from Center for Coastal Studies in Provincetown, MA. Our original speaker from the Coast Guard was unable to attend, and Richard was kind enough to speak to the group with less than 24 hours notice. Due to the short notice, Richard had to bring along his dog Coco who eagerly watched bumble bees throughout the talk. Richard gave a very informative talk covering climate change, water quality, seals, right whales, and Mother Nature's many cycles, followed by lots of questions and discussion by the membership.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Case Recording Secretary.