Jenness Beach District Annual Meeting Town of Rye, New Hampshire Saturday, March 21, 2020– Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by moderator, Michael DiNola at 5:00 PM. The Warrant was distributed and read and the following articles were acted upon.

ARTICLE 1. To choose by ballot the following District Officers:

Moderator for three years – Michael DiNola – elected District Clerk for three years – Debra E Crapo – elected Commissioner for three years – Michael Netishen – Elected Treasurer for three years – Helen Sloane – elected Auditor for three years – Michael DiNola – elected

- ARTICLE 2. To hear and act upon any reports of agents, auditors or committees of officers heretofore chosen. The report of the Clerk accepted as read. The report of the Treasurer/Auditor accepted as presented.
- ARTICLE 3. To see if the District will allow and vote the same time payment dates time limit (s) on all District property taxes as the Town of Rye shall allow on its property taxes (Majority vote required) Article 3 passed unanimously.
- ARTICLE 4. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate <u>\$ 93.995</u> to defray District charges for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required) Article 4 passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 5. To transact any further business that may legally come before said meeting.

The Coronavirus problem in the United States was mentioned.

. Discussions involving ongoing problems:

- Parking situations on the State Highway(Ocean Boulevard)
- Need for more Lifeguards on Jenness Beach.
- Advocating for metered parking on Ocean Blvd with a share of it going to Rye.
- Find a solution to the trash problems, surfers who do not observe the rules in place, people drinking alcohol on the beach, people

who use the beach to change clothing in public and use the beach as a bathroom

- The abuse of huge RV's parking on Ocean Blvd all day using up multiple spaces for many days and camping out next to their RV's leaving trash and disturbing other day trip people who wish to walk to the beach past their set ups, moving only at night to avoid ticketing and blocking the view of traffic near most streets and crosswalks leading to Ocean Blvd.
- It was brought up to continue to find out how the quality of our water is as there are problems with water quality in a number of towns in NH and some close to us.
 - A solution to water drainage in Jenness Beach was also a topic and the Commissioners are going to ask for a meeting with the Rye Selectmen to talk about issues with the Town government having a need for more accountability and oversight of all departments.
 - The fired Assessor changed many "Unbuildable" lots to "Possible buildable" forcing Jenness Beach to have a worry about flooding from Builders buying those lots up and trying to build on wet lands since we have sewer in Jenness Beach and they hope to build where no one should build. The Fired Assessor actually called friends of his to purchase one

of the properties located on Big Rock Road.

More discussion took place explaining that the District has very limited powers over most of the problems discussed but we can advocate to the Selectmen, State Senators, and our State Representatives to help Jenness Beach with these very real problems. It was agreed that sharing these problems at this meeting allows the Commissioners to relay this information to the people who should be helping us. It was agreed to join in the quest to get the remedies to these ongoing and frustrating problems for Jenness Beach residents, Town of Rye residents and New Hampshire residents in general who face these ongoing problems each and every summer. It was brought up that Jenness Beach and Rye in general, has 13 miles of the 18.2 miles of coastline in New Hampshire and we do not feel there is an appropriate amount of time, energy and money spent on our needs by the State of New Hampshire. The Town and our Commissioners continue to upgrade and care for our rights-of -ways to the beaches. This is important to hold on to the public access to the beaches and we thank the Town of Rye DPW for their continued support and help. The District thanks everyone who reports blocking rights-of -ways by vehicles and/or any impediments to keeping the rights-of way open all year round. It was stated that the follow up by the DPW, police, and some Town workers has been wonderful and we ask that they continue to protect our resources. We ask that the

Selectmen correct all of the wrong doing of the Fired Assessor. It was decided to include items still of concern from previous annual meeting minutes into the 2020 minutes.

No votes were required under Article 5

Minutes were taken by Debra Crapo – Clerk The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Debra Crape

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