

BARNEGAT LIGHT TAXPAYERS' ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes

September 23 2023

Trustees

Attending:

Rich Brodman
Tony Dandola
Bill Chernelich
Jack Byrnes
Bruce Allen
Betsy Aras
Mary Ann Crutchlow
Phil Kahn
Kay McDonnell
Scott Neff
Maddy Pantzer
Madeline Weinrebe

Excused/Absent:

Wendy Baker

Rich Brodman called the meeting to order at 8:30AM.

The minutes of August 24 were unanimously approved.

Opening Remarks – Rich Brodman

We will elect 4 trustees at the General Meeting. Our 3 speakers at the Meeting are Karter Larson, Tom Altman and Mayor Larson.

Reports

1. Membership – Kay McDonnell

As of September 22, we have approximately 617 members, one more than at our August meeting.

2. Treasurer's Report – Bill Chernelich

The focus of our General Meeting, which follows, will be the reelection and election of 4 trustees. (See the minutes of our General Meeting.)

3. Social Media – Betsy Aras, Wendy Baker, Scott Neff

We will be showing the movie, *Drift*, at approximately 7:15PM on September 30th at the Pavillion. An email announcing the film will be sent out this week. This event will be sponsored by the BLTA as well as the HBTA and the HCTA. Loveladies has indicated it will not participate. Rich as suggested that we increase our donation to \$200 to make up the shortfall. The Trustees chose to increase our donation to \$300.

4. **Little Free Library – Maddy Pantzer**

The Ocean County Library has recently had a book sale and we bought some books. We are considering BLTA stickers or a stamp to identify the books as ours to improve the odds of them being returned.

5. **Donation to Barnegat Light – Rich Brodman**

The defibrillator remains on back order. If it doesn't come in soon, we will postpone our presentation till next spring. We will be adding a plaque as well.

6. **Borough Council Meeting – Bruce Allen and Rich Brodman**

The BC will raise dog park fees for out-of-towners to \$100. The Council is considering fencing in a small portion of the park for small dogs. The Council has also received a \$60,000 grant for improvements at the Bay Beach.

7. **JCTA – Rich Brodman**

The JCTA will be electing new officers at its next meeting. Otherwise, nothing new.

8. **New Business**

None.

The next meeting of the BLTA Board will be on October 26 at 4PM by zoom.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:20AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Jack Byrnes
Secretary