

**CHEQUESSETT BOARD OF GOVERNORS
MEETING MINUTES
11/15/21**

PRESENT: Barry McLaughlin
Shea Kinney
Chris Chadbourne
Janet Buckley
Gayle Fee
Darryl Elliott
Tony Papantonis
Julie Scott
Gerald Cohen
Myya Beck
Marcus Springer
Tracy Dean

A) Gerald Cohen made a Motion to Approve the minutes, Myya Beck seconded the Motion. The Board of Governors unanimously approved.

B) Jerry and Barry discussed the progress on the Budget. The Club is doing better financially than it has in years. There are some questions regarding budgeting for F&B and the return of sailing and those details are currently being worked out. 2021 is projected to break even.

C) Barry presented the GM report:

The employee gratuity fund has collected slightly under \$7,000 so far. Upon final collection, Barry will present a break down of bonus for employees to the executive committee for approval.

Barry met with Tia regarding increasing revenue through more special event parties and rehearsal dinners. The biggest challenge next year will be getting tent approval. Barry will re-design the job description for Events Coordinator to include responsibility for member events and increase special events throughout the calendar year.

The Sailing Committee is actively talking with the former head of sailing at the Sea Camps to gauge interest in handling our waterfront and activities we can offer.

HRRP Update: the infrastructure bill recently passed is a positive step for financing to move forward with the project. The construction schedule will be contingent on permits moving forward. David Stott would serve as Clerk of the Works and would receive a construction update every two weeks. Our updated closure costs have been submitted and need further review/discussion between the parties.

F&B Update: Barry worked with both Matt Sugg and Tonya Felix of 349 Cafe all fall. He believes it is in the best interest of the Club to move forward with negotiating a concessionaire agreement with Tonya. She is interested in operating the food side of our operation (while keeping her food truck). She will be responsible for the kitchen, food procurement and staffing, while Chequessett will provide the front facing and bar staff. A Food, Events and Beverage Director are the three positions that Barry sees operationally necessary.

Mosquitoes: Greens Committee wants to know whether we will be allowed to spray the course sooner next year. No changes have been announced and we are getting quotes from operators regarding particular areas and frequency of spraying. The Seashore will not automatically renew permits. A suggestion was made that the GM and Executive Board should see with the Selectman regarding this issue.

Holiday Party: the Club will host a Celtic performance on 12/19 from 4-6.

D) Tony presented information regarding the Conservation Violation with respect to the deck extension built off the side of the Boathouse a few years ago. The Club will need to retain a consultant to address the violation which will cost approximately \$7000 plus a \$250 filing fee. Darryl suggested that we obtain a few more quotes.

E) Marcus presented the Club Committee Report which includes plans to renovate the entire first floor of the Clubhouse. Once the plans are finished, they can be sent out to bid and the BOG can discuss a phasing plan.

F) Tony updated the BOG that he will discuss changing the Club to non-profit status with an attorney he knows.

G) Tony updated the BOG on the potential pool. The cost of just installing the pool significantly surpassed the expectations of any potential donation and is tabled at this time.

I) Tracy Dean presented a Club Safe Program which includes 3 AEDs and a certification course. Darryl suggested that we reach out to other Clubs to see what they use and further research the Good Samaritan law to make the appropriate decision for the Club.

J) The BOG discussed the draft survey that has been prepared to send to all members and visitors of the Club. All agreed that it needed to be shortened.

Motion to Adjourn at 6:44 p.m.
Shea S. Kinney