

ASSOCIATION OF GREAT NECK, INC.
ANNUAL MEETING
May 14, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

President Cricket Wilbur called the Annual Meeting of the Association of Great Neck to order at 10:15 a.m. at Clark Beach. Minutes of the May 9, 2015 Annual Meeting were handed out. Cricket welcomed a well-attended crowd. Cricket made several announcements: we will continue with the group propane buy next year; this is the first year for online membership; the boardwalk has been replaced; there is a new vendor for the porta potty, which will now be serviced weekly; the event sign at the Triangle sign has been replaced. Katie Krathwohl noted that she is heading up the welcome wagon for new residents.

APPROVAL OF ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

The May 9, 2015 Minutes of the Annual Meeting were moved and seconded for approval with a UNANIMOUS vote to accept.

APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT

At the end of April 2016, AGN had \$4,714 in our checking account, certificates of deposit of \$15,210 and \$10,217, and \$63,562 in our investment account

Our land, the beach, pond and triangle are valued for tax purposes at \$41,827. In addition, and consistent with last year, AGN is acting as the administrator for the funds dedicated to maintaining the playground near Pavilion Beach. After all expenses in 2015, AGN has a strong liquidity that will ensure that we can continue to preserve the beach, pond and other important assets of AGN.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Treasurer's Report, with a UNANIMOUS vote to accept.

AGN SCHOLARSHIP AWARD PRESENTATION

Katie Krathwohl, a member of the Scholarship Committee, presented three \$1,000 scholarships. The recipients are Jake Warren, who will be attending University of Vermont; Josh Brown, who will be attending High Point University; and Abigail Potter, who will attend Plymouth State.

PRESENTATIONS/ELECTION OF AGN BOARD OFFICERS

Cricket presented the slate of officers as follows:

President – Cricket Wilbur
Vice President – Peter Lucas
Treasurer – Jeff Duback
Secretary – Berni Tragert

She also read the Board member names:

Deborah Cassady, Katie Krathwohl, Steve Reydel, and Ernie Roberts.

A motion was made and seconded with a UNANIMOUS vote to accept the Officers and Board Members for 2016-2017.

RECOGNITION OF RETIRING BOARD MEMBERS

Leaving the Board are two long-time members. Anthony Rita has served since 2011 and Ray Moore has served since 2012. They were presented with gift certificates to acknowledge their valuable work on the Board.

UPDATE REPORTS BY COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Cricket gave a special thanks to Irene Van Schyndel for starting the Turkey-Tune UP 25 years ago.

Triangle – Deborah Cassady thanked those who helped out including Steve Calef from Corliss and suggested members to get involved with maintaining Triangle. There was an announcement of a sign-up sheet at the membership table.

Art-by-the-Sea – Deborah said that it will be held on Sunday, September 18, 2016. It is co-sponsored with IBYC.

Survey – There were 105 responses. There was a high response for a wine tasting and/or sunset harbor cruise. A majority thought parking and dog situation were good. There were suggestions to increase service on the porta potty and to get a better lock at the gate.

Conservation of Clark Beach – Cricket thanked everyone for the Earth Day clean-up. She also spoke of the 200 beach grass plugs planted and asked that everyone stay out of the protected dunes. We had pepperweed, an invasive species removed. The road didn't require any significant repair this spring due to a mild winter. She asked everyone to please drive slowly because we share it with wildlife. She also reminded everyone that the dog lease rules are in effect beginning May 15, in which dogs are required to be on a leash from 8:00AM – 8:00 PM until October 1. She also asked that dogs be on a leash when the beach is busy as a courtesy and also be respectful of the nesting birds. She asked that everyone put their beach sticker on their car and since there are only 25 spaces, please only park one car at a time if you have two stickers. There is now a new handicap parking sign next to the boardwalk, so please leave that spot open. As a reminder there is a carry-in/carry-out policy at the beach that includes dog waste.

Jean Emerson requested to announce a congratulations to Dick Fates who was appointed as a Feoffee for Little Neck.

Yard Sale – The yard sale will be held on the playground on May 21 from 9 AM-1 PM. Jim Prato is the contact and the rain date is May 27.

Summerfest – Ernie Roberts is hoping that August 22 will be a great family day, with a cookout and games on the beach. This will be the third year for mini golf and Ernie encouraged members to bring their children.

Dinnerbell – Katie Krathwohl said AGN was giving a monetary donation to Ipswich Dinnerbell which is held every Monday to provide friendship and a good meal to a large group of people of all ages who might be alone or in need. AGN will sponsor the dinner on August 29th and there will be a sheet to sign-up on the website to help set up, serve and clean-up.

Jim Prato asked if AGN has any new information on the Proprietors of Great Neck Property at the radar center. AGN does not have a formal statement from the Proprietors of Great Neck regarding the status of the property. Jim asked if AGN could form a committee to monitor the situation. A motion was made and approved that we would form a committee for the property and Jim Prato would be the head of it.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 11:00 a.m. UNANIMOUS