VILLAGE OF OCEAN BEACH ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes May 15, 2024, 7:00 p.m. Via Zoom

Present: Camille Guigliano, Beth Jacobwitz, David Lipsky, Lisa Lowe, Emily Wicks, Sage Block, Joseph DiFrancisco.

1. Membership. CG reached out to Tiff Arment about possible membership. She was interested and will let us know. Need a member to volunteer to take over beach clean-up responsibilities from DLL. In the interim, CG will collect materials from DLL and put together a task list with deadlines.

Action: CG to follow up with DLL

- 2. Newsletter. Was distributed to mailing list. Had 200 opens and more clicks than usual.
- **3.** Tree Planting Program. DJL has the trees; there were discussions regarding potting.

Action: DJL follow up with Vinnie Fazio about extra pots.

CG to confirm tables with KS.

JD to get copies of permit and tree legislation and bring to board meeting.

LL to pick up copies from JD at meeting.

EW to post to Facebook again.

- **4. EAD Topic.** EW reached out to Surfrider but no response. She will continue to try. CG/DJL will follow up on alternative energy speakers, will confirm weekends are a possibility.
- 5. Beach Management. Nothing new to report, DJL wants to schedule a meeting with JD.

Action: DJL will prepare a list of question for JD to ask KS and GH.

6. Recycling Bins. SB was connected with Chris Mercogliano regarding bins. There has been some discussion but no resolution.

Action: SB will forward emails to Jenn Moritz and Scott Hirsch.

- **7. OBYG.** No progress.
- **8.** LWRP. No update.

Action. LL to draft letter to Trustees clarifying VOBEC's role.

- **9. Natural Resource Inventory**. SB has identified free arc GIS and field map apps and will work on starting project. DJL to reach out to SBU.
- 10. Recycling Coordinator. No update.
- 11. Climate Smart Community. Discussion of draft board resolution.

Action: BJ forwarded draft resolution to JD.

- **12. Garbage Rule and Regulations.** CG to discuss with JD. JD will raise possibility of VOBEC involvement with Board.
- **13. Website Maintenance**. BJ raised difficulties with website maintenance. Possibility of Village IT specialist assuming responsibility.
- 14. OBA/Community Fund Homeowners Brunch. LL will speak on behalf of VOBEC.
- **15. Meeting.** The next meeting shall be June 4, 2024 7:00 p.m. by Zoom.

Respectfully submitted, Camille Guigliano