

**BERKELEY SHORES HOMEOWNERS' CIVIC ASSOCIATION
MINUTES**

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING SATURDAY, JUNE 1, 2019

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 9:00 A.M. RECREATION CENTER, BAYVILLE NJ.
BY PAST PRESIDENT FRED BEKIARIAN.**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

BOB NUNN, SECOND VICE PRESIDENT:

MEMBERS PRESENT TODAY VOTED FOR CURRENT EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS,
THE POSITION OF BOARD PRESIDENT AND FOUR NEW DIRECTOR POSITIONS. ON
THIS DATE THE EXISTING BOARD MEMBERS AND FIVE NOMINEES WERE VOTED IN
TO THE BSHCA EXECUTIVE BOARD.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS:

PRESENT

JOHN SOWAKINAS, PRESIDENT
FRED BEKIARIAN, PAST PRESIDENT
BETH COLLIS, FIRST VICE PRESIDENT
BOB NUNN, SECOND VICE PRESIDENT
LUCILLE PAVOLIC, RECORDING SECRETARY
DAVID ATKINS, DIRECTOR
JERRY COPPOLA, DIRECTOR
GARY DINALLO, DIRECTOR
DONNA LAGOS, DIRECTOR
MARION MCGRATH, DIRECTOR

NOT PRESENT:

PHIL ANTOINE, DIRECTOR
CHARLES CRUNKLETON, DIRECTOR
KEN GERB, PAST DIRECTOR
KEITH RUSCITTI, PAST PRESIDENT
JOHN SCHNITZER, TREASURER

GUESTS PRESENT:

DEPUTY CHIEF KEVIN SANTUCCI, BERKELEY POLICE DEPARTMENT
JILL, TOM AND TREVOR KWATKOSKI, TOY DRIVE SPONSORS
JAMES BYRNES, BERKELEY COUNCIL PRESIDENT
JASON KANGAS, BSHCA RECIPIENT OF GOOD CITIZENSHIP AWARD

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BOB NUNN, SECOND VICE PRESIDENT:

- TREASURER JOHN SCHNITZER'S REPORT - BALANCE - \$18,749.95.
- BOB'S INTRODUCTION TO MEMBERSHIP OF THE NEWLY ELECTED FIVE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS.

JERRY CAPPOLA, DIRECTOR:

- OUR MEMORIAL DAY COMMEMORATION WAS VERY WELL ATTENDED AND HUGELY SUCCESSFUL. THE MEMBER FEEDBACK REGARDING THE BOAT BLESSING CEREMONY AND THE BEACH PICNIC WAS MOST POSITIVE. THANKS TO OUR WONDERFUL COMMITTEE OF VOLUNTEERS WHO MADE THIS HAPPEN!
- OUR ENDLESS SUMMER LUAU THEME DINNER & DANCE WILL BE HELD AT THE CAPTAIN'S INN, FORKED RIVER ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2019. AS IN THE PAST, THIS ENJOYABLE SOCIAL EVENT IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR MEMBERS TO SPEND A PLEASANT EVENING TOGETHER.
- A CHRISTMAS TRIP IN LIAISON WITH MORANO BUS TOURS IS CURRENTLY BEING CONSIDERED. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WILL FOLLOW WHEN TRIP DETAILS ARE ACTUALLY DECIDED UPON.

JOHN SOWAKINAS, PRESIDENT:

MY WIFE AND I DECIDED TO JOIN BSHCA BECAUSE OF THE GOOD WORK THEY PROVIDE TO THIS UNIQUE WATERFRONT COMMUNITY. THE MEMORIAL DAY BOAT PARADE AND PICNIC ARE A POSITIVE EXAMPLE OF WHAT THIS ORGANIZATION DOES FOR MEMBERS. A MAJOR BENEFIT FOR MEMBERS IS THE EXCELLENT RELATIONSHIP BSHCA HAS WITH BERKELEY TOWNSHIP. ALONG WITH THE BOARD JOHN LOOKS FORWARD TO A VERY PRODUCTIVE YEAR.

BETH COLLIS, FIRST VICE PRESIDENT:

BETH PLANS TO WORK WITH BOARD BY INTRODUCING NEW TOPICS, INCREASE MEMBERSHIP, AND ENCOURAGE MEMBER INVOLVEMENT. SHE IS 2ND VICE PRESIDENT OF THE PTA AT H&M POTTER SCHOOL AND A BERKELEY WATERWAYS ADVISORY COMMISSION MEMBER.

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DONNA LAGOS, DIRECTOR:

DONNA JOINS THE BOARD WITH EXTENSIVE BUSINESS EXPERIENCE IN SALES AND MARKETING. SHE PLANS ON INCREASING MEMBERSHIP WITH NEW IDEAS AND PROMOTING ADDITIONAL MEMBER INPUT.

DAVID ATKINS, DIRECTOR:

DAVE PLANS ON BEING AN ACTIVE BOARD MEMBER IN WHATEVER CAPACITY REQUIRED BY THE BOARD.

MARION MCGRATH, DIRECTOR:

MARION HAS BEEN A LONG TIME MEMBER OF BSHCA AND IS A WELCOME RETURNING MEMBER TO THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

BOB NUNN, SECOND VICE PRESIDENT:

PRESENTATION OF GOOD CITIZENSHIP AWARD TO JASON KANGAS.

JASON BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF BERKELEY TOWNSHIP THE VERY SERIOUS ISSUE REGARDING THE QUALITY OF WATER BEING DIRECTED TO OUR TOWN BY AQUA AMERICA. DUE TO HIS INITIATIVE, CONSTRUCTION IS UNDERWAY FOR THREE NEW IRON REMOVAL WATER TREATMENT FACILITIES IN BAYVILLE. THIS PROJECT ADDRESSES HIGH LEVELS OF IRON, ALUMINUM AND RADIONUCLIDES. RELIABLE DRINKING WATER SHOULD BE DELIVERED TO BAYVILLE WHEN CONSTRUCTION IS COMPLETED. PER JASON, THE SYSTEM SHOULD BE UP AND RUNNING BY FALL OF 2019.

FRED BEKIARIAN, PAST PRESIDENT:

MY PLEASURE TO INTRODUCE OUR NEW PRESIDENT, JOHN SOWAKINAS.

JOHN HAS EXCELLENT CREDENTIALS AND IS AN ASSET TO OUR BOARD.

- ATTENDED NJ STATE POLICE ACADEMY.
- RETIRED POLICE OFFICE OF RINGWOOD NJ SERVING FROM 1983 TO 2009.
- FIELD TRAINING OFFICER FOR NEW RECRUITS.
- PASSAIC COUNTY JOINT NARCOTICS TASK FORCE MEMBER.
- MEMBER OF NJ POLICE OFFICERS LEGION OF HONOR,
- BOARD PRESIDENT OF SEACREST TOWERS IN WILDWOOD FOR TWO YEARS.
- BOARD PRESIDENT AND DIRECTOR OF CRESTWOOD MEWS CONDO ASSOC.
- VICE PRESIDENT OF THE LANDINGS CONDO ASSOCIATION IN BAYVILLE.

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BOB NUNN, SECOND VICE PRESIDENT:

BOB PRESENTED A LIFETIME RECOGNITION AWARD PLAQUE TO FRED BEKIARIAN. THIS AWARD IS WELL DESERVED AS FRED HAS WORKED ENDLESSLY AND TIRELESSLY FOR MANY YEARS FOR THE WELFARE OF BSHCA.

PLAQUE

BERKELEY SHORES HOMEOWNERS' CIVIC ASSOCIATION 2019 LIFETIME RECOGNITION PRESENTED TO FRED BEKIARIAN IN APPRECIATION FOR YOUR SERVICE ABOVE AND BEYOND CALL OF DUTY AS OUR PAST PRESIDENT. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUOUS DEDICATION TO THE GROWTH AND WELFARE OF THE ASSOCIATION.

FRED BEKIARIAN, PAST PRESIDENT:

FRED THANKED MEMBERS AND STATED THAT BELONGING TO BSHCA HAS BEEN A VERY REWARDING EXPERIENCE. HE PLANS ON OFFERING HELP IN ANY WAY HE CAN WHEN NEEDED. FRED IS ALSO CONFIDENT THAT NEWLY ELECTED PRESIDENT JOHN SOWAKINAS IS VERY WELL QUALIFIED FOR THIS POSITION.

FRED BEKIARIAN, PAST PRESIDENT:

ON MAY 26, 2019 OFFICE OF THE MAYOR OF BERKELEY TOWNSHIP PRESENTED A MEMORIAL PLAQUE TO BERKELEY SHORES HOMEOWNERS' CIVIC ASSOCIATION.

THE PROCLAMATION

MAYOR CARMEN F. AMATO, JR. PROCLAIMED MEMORIAL DAY MAY 27, 2019, AS A DAY OF PRAYER FOR PERMANENT PEACE AND A DAY TO REMEMBER THE SOULS OF THE WARRIORS WE HAVE LOST, AND TO THANK AND HONOR THOSE WHO ARE FIGHTING FOR US TODAY. MEMORIAL DAY IS ALSO A DAY TO HONOR OUR VETERANS AND THOSE BRAVE SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN FIGHTING FOR OUR FREEDOM. MEMORIAL DAY IS A DAY TO REMEMBER THE ANNIVERSARY OF D-DAY, MEMORIAL DAY IS A DAY TO REMEMBER THOSE BRAVE SOLDIERS WHO STORMED ASHORE ON JUNE 6, 1944. OUR NATION ENDURES AND THRIVES BECAUSE OF THE DEVOTION OF OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN UNIFORM WHO FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION CARRY A BURDEN HEAVIER THAN ANY WE MAY EVER KNOW. BSHCA HELD THEIR 24TH ANNUAL BOAT PARADE BLESSING OF THE FLEET AND MEMORIAL DAY COMMEMORATION BY PLACING A WREATH UPON THE WATERS IN HONOR OF ALL OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN.

**CARMEN F. AMATO, JR.
MAYOR OF BERKELEY TOWNSHIP**

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DONNA LAGOS, DIRECTOR

MAY 26, 2019 MEMBERSHIP REPORT.

- 627 MEMBERS
- 339 HOUSEHOLDS
- 7 NEW MEMBERS

BETH COLLIS, FIRST VICE PRESIDENT:

- INTRODUCTION TO MEMBERS OF JILL, TOM AND TREVOR KWATKOSKI, THIS FAMILY IS THE SPONSOR OF THE TOY DRIVE FOR CHILDREN.

JOY SPOKE TO MEMBERS REGARDING "CHRISTMAS IN JULY TOY DRIVE" WHICH BENEFITS THE ROBERT WOOD JOHNSON UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL. TEAM TREVOR SPONSORS THIS NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION. CHILDREN RECEIVING TREATMENT AT RWJ PICK A SPECIAL GIFT IN RECOGNITION OF THEIR STRENGTH AND COURAGE FROM A "TREASURE BOX". DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS, THE TREASURE BOXES GET DEPLETED AND TEAM TREVOR WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THEM OVERFLOWING WITH TOYS FOR ALL AGES, INFANTS TO TEENAGERS. ANY MONETARY OR NEW TOY DONATION TO THIS WORTHY CAUSE IS GREATLY APPRECIATED. ALL MONEY DONATED IS USED TO BUY TOYS FOR THE CHILDREN. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

**CHRISTMAS IN JULY
PO BOX #64
BAYVILLE, NJ 08721
732-853-5155**

JAMES BYRNES, BERKELEY COUNCIL PRESIDENT, GUEST SPEAKER:

JIM INFORMED MEMBERS REGARDING MANY POINTS OF INTEREST.

- ALLEN ROAD BEACH REPAIR.
- MARTELL'S WATERS EDGE NEW SWIMMING POOL.
- BERKELEY TOWNSHIP PARTNERING WITH RING APP.
- NEW BUSINESS OPERATIONS IN TOWN - C&C, MJ'S, M&M SEAFOOD.
- TOWNSHIP TAXES - SCHOOL TAX - ABBOTT DISTRICTS.

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CAROL RUSNAK, SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE AWARD PRESENTATIONS:
SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE RECEIVED 12 APPLICATIONS. THREE QUALIFIED STUDENTS RECEIVED \$1,000.00 EACH.

FOLLOWING RECIPIENT WAS PRESENT AT TODAY'S MEETING:

- BETTINA BONFIGLIO, GRANDDAUGHTER OF DOREEN LANZA, BSHCA MEMBER.
- RICHARD & GAIL HESS BSHCA MEMBERS REPRESENTED THEIR GRANDDAUGHTER MIKAYLA DEMARCO WHO WAS UNABLE TO ATTEND.
- GABRIELLA QUINONES, SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT UNABLE TO ATTEND. PARENTS E. JAY & STEPHANIE QUINONES, BSHCA MEMBERS.

DEPUTY CHIEF KEVIN SANTUCCI, BERKELEY POLICE DEPARTMENT:

GUEST SPEAKER REGARDING FOLLOWING POINTS OF INTEREST:

- RING SECURITY PROGRAM TO REDUCE CRIME.
- TRAFFIC ISSUES IN TOWN - SPEEDING.
- BEACH ISSUES - POLICE PRESENCE.
- WATERWAYS SPEEDING PROBLEMS.
- RESIDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS CAN NOTIFY POLICE DEPARTMENT.
- TIP LINE AVAILABLE TO RESIDENTS-ANONYMOUS CALLS ACCEPTABLE.

DEPUTY CHIEF SANTUCCI REMAINED FOR QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION.

- TRAFFIC AND SPEEDING ON BAYVIEW AVENUE VERY SERIOUS.
- H&M POTTER SCHOOL - TRAFFIC - FLASHING SIGN NEEDED.
- DRUG ISSUES AT ALL BAYVILLE PARKS - IN NEED OF MORE POLICE PRESENCE.
- AMHERST BEACH CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND SAFETY ISSUES.
- BUOY PROBLEM IN MIDDLE OF CHANNEL-NEED TO MOVE TO SIDE.
- FIREWORKS ISSUES-RESIDENTS SHOULD CALL POLICE DEPARTMENT.

PRESIDENT JOHN SOWAKINAS THANKED DEPUTY CHIEF SANTUCCI FOR HIS INFORMATION AND TIME SPENT AS GUEST SPEAKER AT MEMBER MEETING.

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MOTION TO ADJOURN: JOHN SOWAKINAS, SECOND BOB NUNN.

ADJOURNMENT: 10:45 A.M.

**LUCILLE PAVOLIC, _____ DATE APPROVED: _____
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