



The Town of Fenwick Island

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BEACH COMMITTEE MEETING

May 9, 2025, at 9:30 a.m.

Town Hall

Minutes

Members Present: Jacque Napolitano, Anne Hodges, Pam Pridgeon, Melanie Pauley (Zoom)

Others Present: Erin Ellinger

Welcome

1. Approve minutes from April 4, 2025, meeting

Motion: To approve the minutes of April 4, 2025, meeting

Moved by: Pam Pridgeon

Seconded by: Anne Hodges

Result: Motion passed unanimously

2. Bonfire Event: July 5th

- The bonfire event is scheduled for 7:00–10:00 PM.
- Mike Locke, Kelly Rymer, and Jacque Napolitano will meet on June 26 to test the Square payment system at the beach.
- T-shirts for event sales and committee members have been ordered and are expected to arrive before June 1.
- Baskets are needed for the event; committee members are encouraged to begin collecting, with an emphasis on larger baskets.
- With one fewer member, remaining members will take on 1-2 additional businesses for donation requests.
- Erin will provide committee members with donation letters and tax documentation as needed.
- Erin will handle printing and framing of the aerial photo.
- Pam will request gift card donations from the liquor store instead of liquor bottles.
- Melanie will distribute the master business donations list to all members. Jacque reminded members to contact only their assigned businesses.
- Odis will donate the wood for the bonfire.
- Bethany Beach EMS is confirmed for the event, and Bryan Reed from Public Works will be on-site.
- DJ Skye Brady has been secured.
- Portable toilets have been arranged.
- Dune lighting and generator setup will be handled by Public Works.
- The rain date is scheduled for the following day.
- Donations will be brought over the dunes at 5:30 PM with lifeguard assistance.
- T-shirts will be sold for \$25 each; remaining older shirts will be given away.
- Glow sticks are secured.
- Jacque and Bill Rymer will manage the 50/50 raffle.
- Anne will manage the silent auction boards, which will close at 9:00 PM.
- The donation deadline is June 23.



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- Baskets will be assembled on June 25 at 9:00 AM.
- Donation letters were sent to businesses within the incorporated town.
- The final bidder's name will be highlighted on the auction list.
- Anne, Natalie, Pam, and Melanie will staff the basket station.
- Kelly will run the t-shirt and Square payment station.
- Jacque will bring water for the event.
- Public Works will install a barrier around the DJ station and electronics area.

- Movie Nights:

6/20-Monsters, Inc,

7/18-Moana 2

8/15 -Up

- Rain date is the following night for each event
- Glo sticks are secured

- Old Business
None

- New Business

Anne suggested organizing a "Christmas in July" appreciation day for the lifeguards. The committee discussed providing either watermelon or donuts and ultimately decided to offer donuts to the lifeguards on their first working weekend, Memorial Day weekend. They also plan to provide watermelon sometime after the bonfire. A tentative date of July 3 has been reserved for basket completion.

- Public participation
None

Next meeting 6/6/25 @ 9:30

Motion: To adjourn the meeting

Moved by: Anne Riley

Seconded by: Melanie Pauley

Result: Motion passed unanimously