



**Ocean Pines Association, Inc.
Annual Meeting of the Members
Saturday, August 10, 2024, 9:00 AM
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AGENDA

Call to Order	Rick Farr
Pledge of Allegiance	
Appointments	Rick Farr
Recorder – Linda Martin	
Parliamentarian – Bruce Bright	
Timekeeper – John Latham	
Sergeant-at-Arms – Chief Tim Robinson	
Teller – Steve Ransdell	
Presentation – Sam Wilkinson Volunteer Award	Debbie Donahue
*Ascertainment of Quorum	Rick Farr
Approval of Agenda	
Approval of Minutes of Annual Meeting – August 26, 2023	
Reports	
Legal Report	Bruce Bright
Auditors Report	Chris Hall
President’s Report	Rick Farr
General Manager’s Report	John Viola
Financial Report	John Viola
Unfinished Business	
New Business	
Election Committee Report & Validation of Election	Steve Ransdell
Public Comments (please limit to 5 minutes)	
Adjournment	

*** If there is not a Membership Quorum, there will not be an Approval of Agenda, Approval of the 2023 Annual Meeting Minutes, and no Unfinished or New Business will be conducted.**



Annual Meeting
Ocean Pines Association
Clubhouse Meeting Room
August 26, 2023
9:00 a.m.

Present: BOD President Doug Parks, General Manager John Viola, Controller Stephen Phillips, Chief Tim Robinson, Assistant Secretary Linda Martin, OPA Attorney Bruce Bright, and Chris Hall with UHY LLP. Also present were approximately 135 OPA members (122 in person; 13 online), and 2 members of the press.

CALL TO ORDER:

President Parks called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPOINTMENTS:

President Parks appointed Linda Martin as the Recorder, Attorney Bruce Bright as the Parliamentarian of the Annual Meeting, Chief Tim Robinson as the Sergeant-at-Arms, Tom Schwartz as the Timekeeper, and Tom Piatti as the Teller.

AWARD PRESENTATION:

Debbie Donahue, Director of Parks & Recreation, presented the Sam Wilkinson Volunteer of the Year Award to the Kiwanis Club.

ASCERTAINMENT OF QUORUM:

President Parks asked the teller if there was a quorum. Tom Piatti reported that there was a quorum.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

A motion was made by a member and seconded by another member to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by a member and seconded by another member to approve the Annual Minutes of August 13, 2022 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

LEGAL REPORT:

Bruce Bright presented the legal report to the membership.

AUDITOR'S REPORT:

Chris Hall with UHY LLP made a presentation on the Association's audited financial statements.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

President Parks gave a Power Point presentation.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT:

GM John Viola gave a Power Point presentation.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Director of Finance Steve Phillips and Senior Executive Office Manager Linda Martin gave a Power Point presentation.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Karen Baldwin (40 Driftwood Lane) made a motion for the Association to address the environmental conditions of the canals, as people are putting grass cutting into the canals. Discussion: testing needs to be done on the canals in continuation of the testing that was ordered by the Environmental Committee several years ago.

Cheryl Jacobs (1223 Carrollton Lane) made a motion to convert the north gate kiosk sign to a digital sign. Discussion: should be an operational consideration, with a photograph of what the sign will look like and the cost to maintain the sign. The motion did not carry.

ELECTION COMMITTEE REPORT:

Tom Piatti confirmed the winners of the election: Elaine Brady, Jeff Heavner, and John Latham.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Would like to know who sends out the violation letters.

Would like the Yacht Club Pool reinstated as an adult only pool.

Suggestion to replace Northstar with QuickBooks.

Regarding adding another lane to the north gate bridge – instead people must pay attention and stay off their phones and also stop speeding.

Thank you to Doug Parks and the entire Board for another good year.

Speeding on Clubhouse Drive – is there was to install another sign?

Thank you to all leaving Directors and congratulations to the new Directors. As a reminder, the Directors need to be neutral and consider approving items that benefit the entire community.

Congratulations to the new Board members and as a reminder, all committees are there to advise the Board and not to order staff.

Parked cars, especially junk cars, are devaluing the nearby properties and something needs to be done about them.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by a member and seconded by another member to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 10:46 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stuart Lakernick, Secretary