

My home, like yours I'm sure, has tried its best to make the most of 2020.

But though we all anxiously await 2021, the excitement of the holiday season cannot be dampened in this neighborhood. Everywhere you look, around every corner, the spirit of joy and love present itself. If this awful pandemic has taught me anything, it's that I know, without a doubt, I can count on my neighbors no matter what.

For those of you who have experienced loss this past year, you are in our hearts. We are here for you as a community. 2020 will never be forgotten but I sure don't plan on looking back!

Here's to 2021!

Frank Bonomo, President

Meeting Minutes of December 4th, 2020 Our POENB meeting was held via Zoom video conference and began approximately 7:35 PM with

the recitation of the Pledge of the Allegiance.

Frank announced that this is our annual meeting; which will run slightly different than the usual. The sole purpose of the annual meeting is the election of officers for 2021. Once the meeting is officially adjourned we will continue with a follow-up session where we can have some general discussion.

Roll Call of Officers:

Frank Bonomo, President Ryan Cote, Vice-President Julie Hendricks-Atkins, Vice President Nora Beck, Treasurer Vinny Mitchell, Corresponding Secretary Steven Neuf, Recording Secretary Bethany Pokorny, Vice President.



Reading of Minutes & Board Updates not part of annual Election Meeting. General community discussion tabled until after meeting. Fifteen (15) members tuned into the meeting.

Reports & Updates: Treasurers Report:

Nora reported financial highlights for the year: This year was difficult for everyone, including the POENB financials. Membership was slightly down, beach rentals were not possible, social & 50/50 income were also nonexistent. This resulted in a deficit of approximately \$3,000.00. Please see the Treasurer's report next column.

President's Report:

Frank reflected on this past year and recognized the negative impact of Covid on our community. Our accomplishments were not able to be realized by the community as we had hoped. Notwithstanding, we are happy to have made significant water craft storage improvements including new kayak racks and individual spot assignments for our members.



2020 POENB Treasurer's Report January 1 - December 4, 2020

Income

Total Income		\$ 55,377.42
Interest Income		\$ 7.42
Valley Grove Fundraising		6,650.00
4th of July Parade Donation		1,205.00
Merchandise		\$ 535.00
Total Membership Dues		\$ 46,010.00
	Senior	17,110.00
	Standard	28,900.00
Membership Dues		
Watercraft		\$ 200.00
CT Advertising		\$ 770.00

Expense

Reach Expenses

Beach Expenses		
Prices Ben	ıd	12,779.97
Valley Grov	/e	19.54
Total Beach Expenses	\$	12,799.51
Beach Improvements	\$	926.29
Changing Tides		3,997.35
Insurance Expense		9,200.23
Meeting Expense		141.80
Membership Expense		141.10
Monthly Bank Fees		360.00
Paypal Fees		86.56
PO Box		106.00
Professional Fees		900.00
Sal es Tax		47.87
Stamps		55.00
Utilities		
Prices Ben	ıd	429.99
Valley Grov	/e	315.56
Total Utilities	\$	745.55
Valley Grove Bulkhead Project	\$	28,870.00
Website	\$	21.17
Total Expense	\$	58,398.43
Net Deficit	\$	(3,021.01)

Operating checking account balance as of 12/4/20 is \$28,453.26 VG Note checking account balance as of 12/4/20 is \$42,000.00 VG savings account balance as of 12/4/20 is \$23,066.90 50/50 savings account balance as of 12/4/20 is \$1,667.18

Notes on Year End Financial Statement

- · Loss of projected social revenue of approx. \$4,000 due to pandemic
- Loss of projected \$1,500 in raffles
- Slight decrease in membership
- Approx. \$940 in Changing Tides advertising revenue still to be collected

2020 was one for the History Books...

Not only for our country and state, but for our community on Eaton's Neck. We've been through the wringer this year, enduring the fear and uncertainty that came with COVID-19; an incredible and unprecedented strain on our health care workers; the stress of lockdowns and the economic crisis that followed; quarantining for weeks at home, with limited access to the basic necessities of life, like groceries and school; distancing from our friends and family; and adjusting to the new "normal," which turns out not to feel normal at all. At times, many of us have wished to turn the page to a new year, and to leave 2020 - with all the pain, anxiety and burdens we have endured — behind.

Finally, the year is ending, and our POENB Board would like to take a moment to reflect. In response to the hardships of the past year, our community

on Eaton's Neck came together so many times, in so many phenomenal ways, that we can't help but be grateful. Neighbors truly banded together (at a safe distance, of course) to help one another when it was needed most. In 2020, our Eaton's Neck community:

- Delivered groceries to neighbors and food pantries
- Hung rainbows in windows
- Made and donated masks
- Found ways to support our health care workers, from sending meals to holding parades to banging pots and pans
- Got takeout from our local restaurants
- Shopped locally from our hometown stores
- Found ways to celebrate, from birthda

to celebrate, from birthday parades in cars to graduation signs

- Had rolling DJs and "flash mob" dance parties
- Celebrated Easter with a "Quaran-Bunny"
- Held distanced, old-fashioned walking parades for the 4th of July and Halloween
- Said goodbye to longtime neighbors and welcomed many new neighbors
- Wrote cards and letters to those in need of cheer
- Read books, swapped books with neighbors, and donated books to others
- Stayed healthy with socially-distanced outdoor fitness classes on neighbors' lawns
- And we walked...and we walked...and we walked.

This year, we appreciated our beaches and outdoor spaces more deeply than ever before. The POENB Board takes our responsibility for caring for these spaces very seriously, and we are so grateful to everyone in the community who has helped in this effort:

- Your support for the re-organization of the kayak racks at Price's Bend and the reconstruction of the bulkhead at Valley Grove allowed these important projects to move forward.
- Your participation in our annual beach cleanups helps ensure that we can take pride in our shared properties.
- Your membership in POENB allows our Association to undertake the important work that keeps this community strong. Special thanks to the 237-member families who joined POENB in this strange and difficult year.

In 2020, our community faced dark days, but we faced them together. As we turn the calendar to 2021, our POENB Board looks forward to beautiful days ahead on Eaton's Neck, when we can gather together safely in person again, for our meetings, events and special celebrations.



Sincerely, The POENB Board



911 is the number to call in the event of a fire or medical emergency. Please do not hesitate to call for help.

The year 2020 has placed new and serious demands on the fire department in regard to response to emergency calls during the COVID-19 pandemic. Protocols have been instituted by the department in keeping with all public health regulations. These practices will help keep responders and patients in the safest condition as care and transportation are delivered by volunteer members of the department.

The department has also instituted a new policy for response during the late-night hours. This policy will result in a quick response to middle of the night alarms.

The fire department has also continued to engage in formal training at the Suffolk County Fire Training Academy in Yaphank during 2020. Skills in firefighting techniques, practice in the safe removal of car crash victims from crumpled cars, as well as medical training in preparation for known and possible medical situations have continued throughout the year.

Preventative maintenance and repair of department vehicles including state inspections, upgrading of the radio communications system and call in system for emergencies, as well as the recruitment of new members continued during the year with the considerable efforts and devotion of the officers and members of the department.

Finally, at the close of 2020, the annual Christmas Tree sale was on a stormy, rainy December 5 but was a sell out! The entire supply of trees was sold in one day! The department thanks the community for its continued support and wishes everyone a happy and safe holiday season. Please practice safe protocols- wear a mask in public- maintain physical distancing avoid large gatherings.

Yours for fire safety, Rich Baer!

Frank recognized the board for their cohesive team work through these difficult times and keeping the community connected. Frank thanked Julie for her insights and for keeping us connected to our elected officials.

Ryan was thanked for "crushing it with the Changing Tides". Bethany was thanked for her work in social. Steve & Vinny were thanked for their efforts. Nora was thanked for sticking with us during these difficult times. The members in attendance were recognized & thanked for their participation.



Nominating Committee:

Greg Hodges presented a slate of candidates for the 2020 board of directors. They are: President - Frank Bonomo
Vice President - Ryan Cote
1st Assistant Vice-Pres. - Julie Hendricks-Atkins
2nd Assistant Vice-Pres. - Bethany Pokorny
Corresponding Secretary - Frank Pasquale
Recording Secretary - Steve Neuf
Treasurer - Nora Beck.

There were no nominations from the floor. A motion was raised to accept the slate as presented. All present voted in favor of the slate as presented.

A member thanked the board for all of their hard work done this past year. All present shared in recognition.

We adjourned the official meeting around 7:47.

General Discussion:

Frank led us to an informal discussion with updates on several issues. For starters, Julie reported that we all look forward to getting together in 2021. We'll continue on zoom calls until further notice. Our meeting schedule will continue on the 1st Friday of the month except on three holiday weekends where it was necessary to push the meeting to the second week of the month (see community page for the full 2021 schedule). Julie noted that we all look forward to getting together as soon as we can.



Our terrific Welcome Committee was thanked; they have done a remarkable job and we believe we will have many new first-time members to welcome in 2021. Thank you, Lauretta, Kate, Joan with regular "closing" updates from Greg H. Julie went on to report that our web-site is being updated. We'll have more news on that as it happens.

Steve updated us on the VG rebuild project; permits are on hand & the contractor will be starting the job late December / early January.

Bethany went over a few year-end social events. The turkey trot was unfortunately washed out. She suggested that perhaps a socially distant caroling night might be planned. Other upcoming opportunities will, we hope, include the return of our super bowl box pool.

Folks were also reminded to check on our seniors or home bound this holiday season. A simple call or knock on the door can make all the difference.

Frank concluded by wishing everyone a great holiday & we finished with a happy birthday Zoom sing to Diego Siragusa. The board was thanked by everyone.

Thank You ...

As 2020 ends, I'd like to take a moment to thank those upon whom I depend to make the Tides change every month.

To Pete Cartwright

Who's spends hours each month skillfully art directing the issue to perfection. You have raised the bar to a whole new level Peter, thank you.

To Christine Nastos

Thank you for your help the last few years. Please come back...we'll train the new baby.

To Diane Ryan

Who picks up each issue, collates, stuffs flyers and has it in the hands of the block captains before the print is dry.

To the Block Captains

They make it all go! Check them out on the Community Bulletin Board, then go thank them.

To our Regular Contributors

All those who've penned an article but particularly those who do it ALL the time and make my life that much easiser, Rich Baer for the Fire Department and Terry Reid for Found History and all the fantastic photographers who contribute their photos monthly. Keep them coming.

To the POENB Board

The same folks who do all that other POENB work also have to contribute a ton of time and content to make this thing go. I appreciate your contributions and time.

To Northport Copy

Which manages to turn every issue around quickly even though we're always late. Thank you.

To our Advertisers

Please support those who support Eaton's Neck. Their ads remind us that keeping it local is the best way to go. We need more advertisers in 2021! Please reserve your ad space today at eatonsneck.org

And to all the folks in the community who took a minute out of their day to say they like what we're doing, thank you, we appreciate it. Reminder, The Tides goes to POENB members and non-members alike. If you enjoy it, support it by being a member in 2021.

Happy Holidays and a Happier 2021 to all,

Ryan Cote



Wishing you and your, families a Happy Holiday filled with health and happiness for the coming year!



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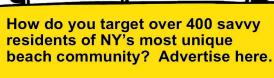
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POENB regularly meets on the first Friday of the month at 7:30 pm. However, three times in 2021, our meeting falls on a major holiday or holiday weekend (New Year's Day, Easter Weekend, Labor Day Weekend). On those dates (see below*) we've shifted to the second Friday of the month and moved our start time earlier to 7 pm so as not to conflict with a regular Fire Department meeting. Our meetings will be held by Zoom until further notice.

Meeting Date:

Friday, January 8th (earlier 7pm start)*

Friday, February 5th

Friday, March 5th

Friday, April 9th (earlier 7 pm start)*

Friday, May 7th

Friday, June 4th

Friday, July 2nd

Friday, August 6th

Friday, September 10th (earlier7 pm start)*

Friday, October 1st

Friday, November 5th

Friday, December 3rd - Annual Meeting



Please join us in Welcoming:

Sarah Peterson and Anthony Salmoise to Robert Lennox Drive

Jim and Jennifer Savalli and daughter Josephine to Exeter Court

Peter and Judy Reust and daughter Lindsey to Eaton's Neck Road







It takes a village Neck to change the Tides monthly!

The Board thanks Diane Ryan and her team of dedicated block captains for walking the streets in all weather to get the Changing tides into our mailboxes every month. You keep this small community informed and we couldn't do without your volunteerism. Thank you!

Block Captain Coordinator:

Diane Ryan

Block Captains:

Kathy Oddson, Peterborough Dr. Rich Sutter, Eaton's Neck Rd. & Peterborough Kate Beamer, Eaton's Neck Rd. Bobbie Cavanagh, Rugby Ct. Laurie Murphy, Lemington Ct. Pat Brumm, Eaton's Neck Rd. Trish Medwig, Eaton's Neck Road Charlotte Nau, Worcester Dr. Nancy McLaughlin Boccia, Tudor Dr. Joan Deters, Birmingham Dr. Marilyn Cornell, Argyle Dr. Bruce Eddington, Exeter Ct. Eric Faltings, Robert Lennox Dr. Diane Ryan Devon Pl. Noreen Zelenka, Norfolk Dr. Marina Liguiglio, Canterbury Dr. The Tschirharts, Drake Pl. Maria Siragusa Carlisle Dr. Westenberger Family, Abbington Pl. Nelly Schmidt, West View Rd. Joann Cuiffo, Middlesex Pl. Dale Alessi, Essex Dr.

*Special thanks to those kind enough to fill in when other Block Captains are away: Heather Brumm; Greg Hodges; Kate Beamer







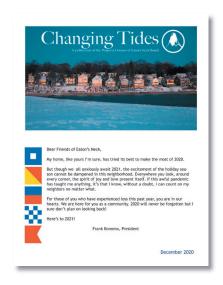




Changing Tides







And that's the Year that was on Eaton's Neck in 2020. Good riddance and on to a brighter 2021!