

BARNEGAT LIGHT TAXPAYERS' ASSOCIATION

General Membership Meeting Minutes
May 16, 2015

- I. Steve Danotos called the meeting to order at 9:37am and followed with the Pledge of Allegiance. He then made a series of comments introduced the following individuals:
 - Ed Ebenbach to address the status of membership
 - Linda Decker to address volunteering on a committee or the Board
 - Bruce Allen addressed the treasury report and finances

- II. Steve Danotos addressed new business items
 - Proposed change to BLTA Constitution and Bylaws (handout of proposed changes provided)
 - Next General Meeting is July 11 at the Gazebo.

- III. Steve Danotos introduced guest speaker, Karen McKeon, Long Beach Island School Superintendent.
 - Ms. McKeon discussed the Long Beach Island School District 2015-16 Budget, along with the various topics associated with it such as building maintenance, curriculum, supplies, transportation, etc. (a comprehensive handout of these topics was also provided)
 - Q&A from residents.

- IV. Steve Danotos welcomed Mayor Kirk Larson and Councilpersons, Dottie Reynolds and Ed Wellington.

- V. Steve Danotos introduced Officer Megan Keller. Officer Keller was invited to discuss LBI safety and other issues affecting Long Beach Island. Officer Keller provided handouts and takeaways.
 - Significant concern about heroin
 - Craigslist scam in real estate for renters
 - Contractor fraud
 - Stay informed with new website(www.LBTPD.org), Nixle
 - Medication drop off

- II. Steve Danotos introduced John Tennyson to address the resident survey results from the January 2015 newsletter.
 - Excellent response, will posts survey results on our website
 - From the survey, John Tennyson prioritized the items of concern from the survey and addressed whose responsibility it was to manage and control those items.

- III. Steve Danotos introduced Mayor Kirk Larson to provide an update on the borough.
 - Mayor Larson reiterated the importance of the heroin problem in Ocean County.
 - Good news that taxes are not going up, but school taxes probably will.
 - Had a meeting on open space, went well. Open space money is there for anything we want to purchase.
 - Q&A with residents (topics of: walkways, beach cleanliness, Coast Guard property, open space, water meters)

- IV. Steve Danotos thanked Mayor Larson and asked if anyone had any items of concern they wish to discuss.
 - A resident raised the issue of sending out mailers on multi-family housing
 - Thanks to Ed Ebenbach on the loudspeaker system

- V. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:05am.

Recorded and submitted by:

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