



**ATCHISON COVE TAX DISTRICT**  
**P. O. Box 243**  
**Sherman, Connecticut 06784**

**Annual Meeting via Zoom held Sunday, June 28, 2020** Meeting called to order at 9:05 am

Thank you from Paul to all of the Board and the Community for getting everything together so efficiently & effectively in these mixed up times. This meeting will be abbreviated however covering all of the basics/important items with room for questions or comments as needed.

Bob Schachter made a motion to accept the Annual Meeting Minutes from April 27, 2019 annual meeting. Bruce Morse seconded the motion. All in favor.

New gate is in place and working well which won't require anymore Band-Aids.

Beach house improvements were put on hold because of the need for the new gate. These projects will be completed with funds from the 20-21 budget.

Social distancing is in place at the beach.

Beach house will remain closed for now with hope that it can be opened in the future.

If residents/guests can't be 6' apart then masks should be worn.

Reminder that guests need to be with residents.

Harbor Master report – Weeds are an issue due to the mild winter and will be dealt with as needed.

All boats need to be registered with DMV, insured and must be registered to Cove residents Including those in the boat yard.

If someone is using your slip you need to notify Paul so that should any problems arise he is aware and can get in touch with the boat owner ASAP.

Docks are in good shape.

Guests must park in the upper parking lot except for those needing assistance.

Beach Report – Early clean-up was completed by Brad Abbott and then he also completed the Spring clean-up & mulch installation which was very thorough and looks great.

No need for new sand this year once again.

Scott Berlinger made a point to request that kids not be hassled when at the beach regarding residency. Wants them to feel comfortable being in the community. Paul reminded everyone that there have been several uninvited guests enjoying the Cove and therefore the reason for the increase in “policing”. Paul also made the point that the exchange should be quick and once the name of the resident is given, leave it at that. Bruce suggested that it would be helpful if residents with young adults returning to the cove, should send out a brief note informing the community that they are here and at the beach, etc.

Roads – in good shape and the road sides look great thanks to Jack Dube.

Tax Collection – Mandy Croasmun reminded us that taxes are due July 1 and considered late as of Aug 1 unless COVID extension has been requested which extends it to Oct 1. If paid after Oct 1, late fees become retro to Aug 1. Residents who require extension should get in touch with Mandy directly.

Budget – Michael Hersch presented. Since the new gate was required, the \$8k that was allocated for the beach house repairs was used to cover that expense. The 20-21 budget includes funds to cover the beach house repairs.

The reserve fund will be approximately \$13K and the final payment of the Beach House loan being made. If spending remains consistent as in the past with nothing unusual coming up then we can anticipate an additional \$5750 in the reserve.

The Mil Rate will be 4.6.

The Board has already approved the budget. Dan Fox moved to accept the budget. Terry Klein 2nded.

Beach House Repair – Bruce Morse summarized – Replacing the stairway to the beach house, installation of new rails on the back stairway & stripping, sanding & clear sealing the deck. Timing is subject to contractor availability.

Dan Fox asked if the beach house repairs went out to bid and they did.

Scott Berlinger raised the question about a noise ordinance in the Cove. Nothing is set but we tend to follow the Town of Sherman. Courtesy should be 9:00 am. Margie Brown added that there should be no heavy construction permitted near the beach on Saturday's or Sunday's. Bob Schachter pointed out a noise ordinance he found for Bethel, CT. The Board will review, discuss and come up with something.



Social Committee – Thank you to Janet but unfortunately due to virus there was no opening. Hoping to have a closing party. Thank you to Janet for all her work on the flowers & gardens.

Scott Berlinger asked about dogs at the beach/sand to run around. Dan Fox reminded that the dogs are not allowed on the sand. Scott Berlinger & Bruce Morse will work to revise the ordinance and make presentation to the Board for review/vote.

Bruce Morse made a motion to adjourn the annual meeting. Dan Fox 2nded. Meeting adjourned at 9:40 am

**Election Meeting called to order at 9:41 am for the 20-21 Board of Directors**

Bruce Morse thanked the volunteers whose terms were up – Donna Accosta as Clerk, Stan Klein as Director & Jeff Matusow as VP.

There are 9 members on the board with 3 positions which change yearly.

There are 7 candidates this year with 65 people who voted. Email voting allowed for more/better participation.

New positions: Donna Accosta as VP, Barbara Morse as Clerk & Jack MacDonald as Director. Bruce Morse thanked all those who ran for positions, indicating this was an extra close race.

Dan Fox made a motion to adjourn the Election Meeting. Stan Klein 2nded. Meeting adjourned at 9:55 am

**Atchison Cove Tax District**  
**Proposed Budget Year Ending June 30, 2021**

<b>Atchison Cove Tax District Proposed Budget Year Ending June 30, 2021</b>	<b>Budget 2019/2020</b>	<b>Projected</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>Budget 2020/2021</b>
<u>Administrative</u>				
Audit and legal	1,950			1,950
Insurance	5,609			5,800
Tax Collector Salary	1,750			1,750
Misc. Mem etc.	800			800
Office Supplies, Stamps	250			250
Real Estate Taxes	4,750			4,500
SSecurity & Unemploy. Tax	850			850
Total =	15,959	16000	(41)	15,900
<u>Operating Expenses</u>				
CL&P	750			750
Telephone	350			350
Trash Collection	16,500			16,500
Total =	17,600	17800	(200)	17,600
<u>Beach Area &amp; Boat Yard</u>				
Maintenance, geese, tree work	1,800	1800		1,800
Maintenance - well repair				
Mowing and Landscaping	5,000	6800		7,000
Sand/Gravel Fill	1,250	1250		1,250
WiFi Service	1,300	1300		1,300
Security Gate Elec. Maint.	1,500	1100		700
Harbor Saving NE Diving				
Beach House Work				
Millfoil removal	1,000	0		1,000
New Security Gate	-	8036		-
Seawall Repair	10,000	0		-
Total =	21,850	20286	1,564	13,050
<u>Beach House</u>				
Loan Payment	6,400	6400		-
Cleaning and Supplies	2,000	2000		2,000
Maintenance - Repairs	3,000	3000		10,000
Seasonal Social Activities	900	500		900
Total =	12,300	11900	400	12,900
<u>Roads</u>				
Loan Payment	9,400	9400		9,400
Road Maintenance/Trees	2,500	2500		5,000
Mowing	6,000	6000		6,000
Snow Removal	17,000	17000		17,000
Total =	34,900	34900	-	37,400
<u>Addition to Reserve/Provision for Non-Collection of Taxes/Provision for Additional Cleaning</u>				
				5,750
	-			5,750
<b>Total</b>	<b>102,609</b>	<b>100,886</b>	<b>1,723</b>	<b>102,600</b>