

Nauset Heights Association, Inc.
Member Meeting Minutes
August 21, 2021
Cottage B – 33 Nauset Road

President Ann Deming called the meeting to order at 9:20, welcoming approximately 44 members. She thanked Susan Brezina for providing coffee and donuts for the social gathering beforehand, and Ann Rickard for bringing flowers from her garden to share with the members.

Ann asked Pat Tyng, the Recording Secretary, to read the minutes of the August, 2020 Member meeting, and they were approved unanimously.

Ann asked King Nelson, the Treasurer, to provide the financial report. King reported that the NHA is in good shape financially, with funds invested in two CD's and a savings account, as well as an operating checking account. The association's major expenses each year are for insurance, and to underwrite the Lawn Party. The cost of tickets for the Lawn Party was raised to \$15 per person in 2021, which helped somewhat to offset the expenses of the party.

Kathy Pattison, who coordinates membership functions, reported that there are currently 209 paid member families, with one new member family potentially signing up following the meeting. 56% of members paid their dues via PayPal in 2021, up from around 40% the first year that PayPal was offered.

Kathy reported that 224 adults and 28 children attended the Lawn Party in early August. 86% of reservations were pre-paid, which was a great help in planning for the catered food, and made registration at the beginning of the party move quickly and smoothly.

She said that Mike Wall assisted with photography at the party, and photos had been posted on the website.

Ann asked for a moment of silence to remember Ted Oberteuffer, who passed away at the end of July.

Ann welcomed new members.

The slate of new Directors was presented. No current Directors are retiring this year, but Susan Brezina and Mark Ayer have each agreed to serve a full three year term. They were unanimously approved.

Ann said that 2021 represented a return to normal operations, with all of the usual events held successfully, including the Spring Clean-Up, the Pollinator Program, the Donut Dip, the Sand Sculpture Contest, the Golf Outing, and the Family Beach Bonfire.

Ann thanked King Nelson for inviting and introducing the speaker at the July meeting, Chief of Orleans Fire and Rescue, Geoff Deering.

Feedback from the new format for the Lawn Party was positive. Members enjoyed having the food catered, and not having to contribute an appetizer. Ann complimented and thanked her hard-working committee.

Jim Tyng modified the Tennis Tournament to become a Mixed Doubles Round Robin event, so all teams played at least three matches. The change was popular with both players and spectators.

The last event of the 2021 season will be the Fall Spruce-Up on October 16.

Ann mentioned that Deb and Paul Soules were present at a table with information about pollinators, and Jim Tyng was at another table taking orders for the aerial poster of Nauset Heights.

Ann reminded members that volunteers for the Lawn Party are always welcome, and that the tentative date for next year's party is July 23, 2022.

Ann mentioned Charlie Carlson's update on the Nauset Estuary Dredging Project, which was sent to all members. Spoils from dewatering will no longer be spread on the beach, and the Woods Hole Group is investigating other disposal areas.

The next NHA Board meeting will be September 11.

Ann thanked Betsey Kenna for allowing members attending the meeting to park on her lawn.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Tyng, Recording Secretary