

# **BALD HEAD ASSOCIATION 2019 ANNUAL MEETING**

Saturday, January 26, 2019 – 9am Bald Head Association – 111 Lighthouse Wynd

<b>Board Members Present:</b>	Judy Porter, President
	Anne Boozell, Vice President
	Robert Drumheller, Secretary/Treasurer
	John Fisher, Board member
	Alan Briggs, Board member
Staff Members Present:	Carrie Moffett, Executive Director
	Karen Mosteller, Architectural Review Coordinator
	Diane Mesaris, Administrative Assistant
	Pam Henson, Communications Associate
	Carol Gurda, Bookkeeper
	Julie Starcher, ARC Associate/Covenants Compliance Agent
	Ann VerMeulen, Customer Relations Associate

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Judy Porter welcomed the members and thanked everyone for coming. She introduced the Board members and staff who were present.

**PROOF OF QUORUM:** Robert Drumheller announced that 100 members or proxies would constitute a quorum (Per Article III, Section IV of the Bylaws: "Section 4. Quorum. At the annual meetings and all special meetings, the presence of one hundred (100) members entitled to cast, or of proxies entitled to cast votes, shall constitute a quorum for any action except as otherwise provided in the Articles of Incorporation, the Declaration or these Bylaws.") and that 210 proxies had been received by the deadline, representing 306 properties, which more than satisfied the requirement and constituted 17% of the membership.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Judy Porter asked for procedural voting for the approval of the 2018 Annual Meeting Minutes which had been posted on the website for review.

Motion by: Bob Porter Seconded by: Charlie Himes Motion carried unanimously

# **RECOGNITION OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE:**

Judy Porter recognized the hard work of Nominating Committee for its successful efforts. This year's committee consisted of Sheila May and Bill Grantmyre and was led by FA McLeod as Board Liaison

INTRODUCTION OF CANDIDATES: FA McLeod described the criteria used this year for

board membership of the merged organization and introduced the candidates, John Fisher and John Kinney. FA read their priority comments from their respective questionnaires.

**CALL FOR ELECTION:** Judy offered a procedural reminder on the election process: Proxies of members who previously mailed their proxies have already been counted. Members wishing to vote at the meeting must fill out a ballot form. Proxies cannot be accepted at the meeting. Ballot forms were distributed and collected by the Teller Committee during the 'Call for Election.' She then called for the Teller Committee, consisting of Diane Mesaris, Debra Lyons and Karen Mosteller, to collect any remaining ballots.

**CLOSE OF ELECTION:** When all of the ballots were collected, Judy Porter closed the election.

**BHA ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** On behalf of the Board, Judy then provided an overview of what the Association accomplished in 2018.

- Judy Porter reported that the merged BHA today consists of 1,916 properties with 1,112 of those built upon. The staff of the BHA help property owners navigate the ins and outs of property ownership on Bald Head Island. They communicate news, what is happening and other pertinent information in a timely manner. Provide the key service to all participating members; maintain archives of plans and paint colors on over 30 years and 84 drawers of house plans; and attend island entity meetings to keep property owners abreast of island goings on and advocate for the off-island property owner.
- Judy Porter reported that one of BHA's main tasks is the responsibility of overseeing the architectural review process. She noted there had been over 248 projects reviewed, including 24 new constructions projects, completed updating the Design Guidelines as well as the countless, paint and tree requests and daily ARC-related questions from property owners. Judy also noted the staff continues to scan and store the 30+ years of house plans.
- Judy recounted many other activities and accomplishments including sponsoring yoga, Pilates, Community Potluck dinners, a fashion show, the Island Treasures yard sale event and a veterinary clinic. Volunteers also continued an archival project with Old Baldy and considered additional offerings in 2019 for members such as Game Night, Card Night, shag dance lessons and a sand sculpture contest.
- Judy highlighted the numerous forms of communication BHA uses to communicate to its membership, the work the Finance Committee continues to do to merge BHA/Stage II funds appropriately.

- Judy pointed out that BHA held two successful Litter Sweeps along a new collaboration with the Village's Environmental Committee to reduce single-use plastics and to develop messages for contractors regarding onsite garbage. Members were invited to participate in a discussion subsequent to the meeting regarding the future of the Wildlife Overlook.
- **RECOGNITION OF OUT-GOING COMMITTEE MEMBERS:** Judy thanked the Committee members for their hard work and dedication throughout the year and particularly recognized those whose 3-year terms had expired or who had resigned:

Architectural Review Committee: Jan Triplett, John Farabow, Jennifer Russel, Doug Jenest

Communication, Education and Recreation Committee: Mary Mears, Geri Monty, Debra Lyons, Barbara Miller

*Finance Committee:* Larry Lammert

Natural Resources and Beautification Committee: Kay Menk

Long Range Planning: Anne Gardner, Dick Johnston, Carmen Mugge, Peter Menk, Kevin Arata

### SHORT COFFEE BREAK - MEETING RESUMED AT 9:50am

**ORGANIZATIONAL REPORTS:** Various on-Island organizations were invited to speak on their challenges and successes during the previous year. Speakers were given 5 minutes each to present their respective reports. Speakers included:

- Kit Adcock, Mayor Pro Tempore, Village of BHI
- Chris Webb, Executive Director of Old Baldy Foundation
- Elizabeth Beam, President of the Village Chapel
- Joyce Fulton, Director of Communications for BHI Limited
- Rex Cowdry, Board member, Middle Island POA
- Chris Shank, Executive Director of the BHI Conservancy/Smith Island Land Trust
- Robert Norton, General Manager of the BHI Club

**QUESTIONS?** Questions/comments from the audience centered on the Keeper's Landing dock, and the Wildlife Overlook.

**ELECTION RESULTS:** Judy Porter announced the election of John Fisher and John Kinney to the Board.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE 2019 BHA BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

- New member John Fisher
- New member John Kinney

- Anne Boozell
- John Fisher
- FA McLeod
- Alan Briggs

**RECOGNITION OF DEPARTING BOARD MEMBER:** On behalf of the Board and staff, Anne Boozell presented a gift of appreciation to Judy Porter for her years of service to the Board and to the Island in general. As a token of BHA's appreciation, she was given a certificate relaying that a Live Oak tree will be planted on BHA common area in her honor.

Judy Porter again invited property owners to participate in a discussion about the fate of the Wildlife Overlook with the Board of Directors.

# **ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion by: Brewse Barnard Seconded by: Bob Porter Motion carried unanimously