## Giants Neck Beach Association Pattagansett Woman's Club August 24, 2023

Meeting was called to order 7:16 PM

President Robin Knowles welcomed members and called for a motion to approve the agenda. Nancy Annibale moved so to accept the agenda and Julie Cameron seconded. No comments or additions. All approved.

President called for a motion to accept the minutes of the June 23, 2023, meeting.

Anne Calaquin moved to accept the minutes and Bonnie Henniger seconded. No comments or additions. All were in favor.

President opened the floor for nominations for board positions. No nominations were received. Robin Knowles called for a motion for the same board members to remain. Nancy Annibale moved to accept the motion and Joan Laurence seconded. All approved unanimously.

Presidents Update: We had a successful cocktail party. The board hosted the cocktail party this time. She hopes to get more volunteers to host next summer's cocktail party. The clubhouse needs a new Chairperson to head a committee of volunteers, to maintain the clubhouse. Discussions for this will be addressed in "New Business",

Vice President Update: Welcomed members and looking forward to another successful year.

Treasures Report – Financial Statements and Proposed Budget copies were distributed among the members, from September 1, 2022 – August 31, 2023. No big changes, we spent more but also earned more. There will also be an extra expense from the beautification committee. There is currently \$13,000. In our treasury, waiting for BOG to see if we can assist with a Capitol Project, President Robin Knowles will open that to our members when we open the floor for discussion for Capital Projects. Treasure Pandy Wohler asked for a motion to

increase our dues to \$20.00, She also proposed giving the board discretion to spend up to \$500.00 without asking for membership approval.

President called or a motion to accept the Budget and Anne Calaquin moved to accept the budget and Julie Cameron seconded. No comments or additions all approved.

Social committee - Vicki Piscatelli reported that An October Fest is on the calendar for October 14<sup>th,</sup> a Pop-Up Sale and food drive and health and beauty aids for Care and Share. 9:00am-11:00am. If anyone has any suggestions for new ideas, please contact Vicki. Our cookie swap will resume this winter as well as our Holiday party.

We have note cards in stock and will replenish the new stock with new photos later in the year.

Unfinished Business - Discussion open for Little Library and Childrens New Library. Interest was shown to move forward and keep that on the list for Capital Project.

Capital Projects – The Board is still waiting on the big projects the BOG wants. Suggestion from Rita House to create a pollinator garden run off to the pond. Lisa Doggert and Vicki Piscatelli have been working on improving the drainage and planting. A motion was made by Nancy Annibale to form a committee and move forward, seconded by Chris Wolisky. No additional comments. All in favor.

New Buisness - Mary Ellen Donegan proposed that we look into improving the safety of the playground. And make it a very friendly atmosphere for our children and adults. Discussion followed and will be considered. The renovation of the clubhouse is under consideration. Suggestions to winterize it and update the kitchen we would like the BOG to consider the project of winterizing the clubhouse and we can update the kitchen.

Motion to adjourn and meeting by Anne Calaquin and seconded by Julie Cameron. Unanimously all in favor.