



Fall Newsletter

October 2022

High Bar Harbor Taxpayer Members,

Your HBHTA Board of Trustees and other members of our community have been busy this summer. Below is a summary of the highlights:

- 2022 membership has increased to 74%, the highest percentage of all the taxpayer associations on Long Beach Island. Our membership drive for 2023 will start in January. Thank you for paying your dues and for your generous donations!
- During the beginning of August the HBH Lagoon Access Dredging submission was officially received by the DEP. We await hearing from the DEP that the application is 'administratively complete' and at that time they have six months to begin work. Residents within 200 feet of the three lagoon openings have been officially notified.
- The restoration of the south side of 20th Street will begin with the county installing three foot posts every five feet to keep trucks and other vehicles off what was once grass and brush. The second phase of the project will be to put down seed to allow the area to grow back to its natural state.
- After much online research and a few trips to the LBT municipal building, it became apparent that the township zoning map had two High Bar Harbor omissions. There is no record of Children's/Sunset Park and no record of Triangle Park on the zoning maps. I have been assured by the Tax Assessor's Office that both omissions would be corrected by the township.
- While at the Tax Assessor's Office I learned that Triangle Park is not owned by Long Beach Township, it is owned by a private resident of High Bar Harbor. A big thank you to the HBH resident for allowing us to use your land as a community park!
- Our Re-Clam the Bay clam at Triangle Park has been repainted and the stand was leveled.
- New wooden trestles were installed at Triangle Park.
- The HBHTA Social Committee held the following summer events:
 - Our Annual Meeting at the Barnegat Light Firehouse in June was attended by over 60 members. We are hoping to see more of you next June.
 - Our Summer Kick-Off Block Party was held at Sunset Park in June. A complimentary soft serve ice cream truck, food, corn hole, and music was enjoyed by over 70 members.

- Our annual Boat Parade on July 3rd had 27 boats decorated as “Pirates” taking over High Bar Harbor. Thanks to everyone that decorated their boats and everyone that cheered from their backyards and Sunset Park. Congratulations to the two Boat Parade Theme Contest winners.
- A children’s golf tournament at Jenn’s Links was held in August. Over 50 children and adults enjoyed the day.
- Our End of the Summer Sunset Social was held in late August. It was a fabulous night socializing and enjoying the complimentary soft serve ice cream for the 83 members that attended, until the gnats arrived. Thanks to everyone who brought food.
- In August our Safety Committee met with LBT Police Captain Bernhard and discussed the following topics:
 - Speeding on Sunset Blvd. and Arnold Blvd. Patrols have been added to both trouble spots. At our request, the security camera on Arnold Blvd. was converted to a solar speed sign that calculates actual speed. Black speed data collection boxes have been or will be installed on 20th Street, Arnold Blvd. and Sunset Blvd.
 - We asked that patrolling officers request owners of vehicles parked beyond the “No Parking” signs in cul-de-sacs to move their vehicles, for safety reasons.
 - We requested extra patrols at residential properties that have been sighted for noise complaints.
 - While patrolling High Bar Harbor, we asked patrolling officers to request bikers and walkers that are on the incorrect side of the street, to move to the correct side of the street. Again, this is for safety reasons.
 - Long Beach Township Police Department has a Vacant Home Program for residents that would like their property checked during the winter months. If you would like to participate in the program, go to www.lbtspd.org/forms-online/ and fill out the Homeowner Emergency Contact Form.
- Our Roads Committee compiled a list of needed road repairs in High Bar Harbor. The township has already raised the manhole on 20th Street. Commissioner Bayard assured me the rest of the work would be completed within a couple of months.
- We added a new “highbarharbor.org” rider sign under our Welcome to High Bar Harbor sign. All of our emails, newsletters, Offshore Wind Farm Round-Up updates, event photographs, and other important island wide information is posted on our website. If you haven’t checked it out in a while, you may want to take a look. Also, in January you can pay your dues right from our website.
- Thanks to our own HBHTA design team the Welcome to High Bar Harbor sign is decorated for Fall with mums, hay bails, pumpkins, and corn stalks.
- Our next community cleanup will be on Saturday, October 22nd at 9am. Our meeting place will be the Dike Beach at the end of Sunset Blvd. We will focus on collecting trash on the dike and weeding the flower beds at Triangle Park.

As always, it is an honor to serve our community and I personally want to thank everyone that has contributed to making High Bar Harbor such a great place to live. Please send us any

comments, concerns, ideas, etc., through our email, hbhtaonlbi@gmail.com. We love hearing from you!

Best regards,

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