

## RIRA OPEN MEETING MINUTES

6/17/21

President Joyce Brown called the meeting to order at Bruno's restaurant. Everyone present introduced themselves. The meeting was well attended, but members are encouraged to invite friends and neighbors (especially younger ones) to join RIRA and attend the meetings.

Secretary John Berry read the minutes from the last meeting. Treasurer Anita Sands gave the treasurer's report - \$5688.07 is the current balance in the account.

After a spirited campaign Suzanne Kozarsky was elected Vice President of RIRA. Congratulations to Suzanne and thank you for serving.

Activity Committee co-chair Dave Coon described some of the planned activities--- Family Fun Day at the Parkers yard on Oct. 9, boat tie-ups, and Yoga at Linda Nadler's in July, day TBD. The RIRA Facebook page and the RIRA website will have the details and definite day/time. Dave encouraged members to join the RIRA Facebook group. Boat tie-ups will include kayaks and jet skis. Boats will be available to tow kayaks to and from the rendezvous point. Although not sponsored by RIRA, there will be a waterside concert on Aug. 7 at 4pm on Town Center.

A reservation sheet was passed around for the Crab Feast on Sept. 18 at Portside North. The next open RIRA meeting will be an ice cream social at Portside North. Although ice cream is considered to be one of the major food groups, no other food will be available. Beverages, however, will be available.

Gordy Guay noted that the concrete bulkheads on the Island are deteriorating. Russ Brown will try to get a contractor to speak to RIRA on what type of repairs and cost may be involved.

Ron Parker mentioned that Dundee Marina has boat gas, but not on Wednesdays. Gas is still 2 or 3 weeks away from being available at the Gunpowder Marina--- permitting delays were cited.

Joyce and Russ Brown investigated the road situation on the Island and elsewhere. The County is paving roads that are in better shape than the roads in Joppatowne, so they complained to the County. Members are encouraged to file complaints, as well. Russ passed out County contact lists.

Russ Brown reported on river water testing. The bacteria levels at Mariner's Point Park point often exceed the allowable standards. Someone posited that sewage plant discharge may be floating in with high tides. Someone else posited that water fowl may be fouling the water. Levels farther in the Island are usually much better. Generally, bacteria levels can be high after a heavy rain. Testing results can be viewed at the County's Health Dept. website. Russ will push the County to broadcast problematic results through the emergency alert phone system.

Interloping boats sometimes create excessive wakes while still running under the speed limit, so residents are encouraged to post "No Wake" signs on their properties. Russ Brown will check into vendors and prices. Gordy Guay offered an obnoxiously large sign to anyone that wants it.

Sara and Jeremy's anniversary, and Sara and Gloria's birthdays were recognized with an embarrassing round of song and applause. Dave Coon won the 50/50 raffle (\$135), demonstrating that volunteering for RIRA has its rewards.

Submitted by,

John Berry