



MANHATTAN BEACH CIVIC ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes

July 7, 2026

Board Officers and Directors Present:

Jeff Dustin – President

Jed Kling – Treasurer

Jeremy Merrill – Secretary

Directors: Michelle Ford, Michele Kendus, Kevin Cox, Patrick LaShier, John Ford

Meeting called to order by President Dustin at 7:00 pm.

New Business:

- **Cypress Beach Landscaping Costs:** The President discovered that we have been paying our landscaper to clear out weeds and vines at Cypress beach on a regular basis. (it is part of our annual contract with them). He suggested that we consider removing that from the schedule which would reduce our costs by \$1,260 each year. If needed, one-off projects can be requested for that area. We also discovered that we were paying our landscaper to mow the grass and maintain the area surrounding the boat ramp. Since this is Marina owned property, we contacted the Marina who agreed they would maintain it moving forward, and eliminate that from MB responsibility. This also reduced our costs by another \$1,260/year.
- **Gordon Paper Road Dispute:** In the general meeting, Jeff intends to provide information regarding the Gordon paper road appeal to the approved permits that a builder filed to pave 150 feet of the Gordon paper road to build a new home. The board has agreed to propose hiring an expert witness to develop a legal opinion on whether the builder has the authority to pave the paper road. The expert witness has stated it should not require more than 15 hours of time. A vote to spend up to \$4k for the legal opinion will be proposed at the general meeting.
- **Trash cans at the beaches:** Michelle K proposed adding trash cans to the community beaches to reduce the occurrence of people putting trash in the bins intended for pet waste. The board agreed and will research whether the county will pick up the trash on regular collection days.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:52 PM

Meeting Minutes taken and submitted by Secretary Jeremy Merrill