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A Newsletter of the

North Beach Taxpayers' Association

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Membership Meeting

September 9th
3 PM
Surf City Fire Hall
Please make an effort to
attend. Hospitality will
follow the meeting.

Next Membership Meeting

The next membership meeting will be held Saturday. September 9th, 3 PM at the Surf City Fire Hall. Commissioners Joe Lattanzi and Ralph Bayard will be in attendance to make a few remarks and answer questions. There is no need for a mail-in ballot election this year. We have two openings in the Board of Trustees and just two volunteers who have offered to become Trustees. As per the by-laws, if we do not have more nominees than openings those who are nominated will be appointed to fill the vacant positions. The nominees are Bill Walsh and Hank Fisher. Their bios can be read below,

Bill Walsh

1071B Long Beach Blvd

Bill and Joanne Walsh have been owners in North Beach since 1994 and members of the NBTA for most of that time. Bill is a former trustee of the North Beach Taxpavers Association. Bill and Joanne have two children and four grandchildren. Bill is retired after working more than 36 years in the electric, gas and water utility industries, specializing in corporate responsibility, government and regulatory affairs, policy and business development. Active in his community, Bill was elected to the Board of Directors of Roma Bank in April 2010. When Investors Bank purchased Roma Bank in 2013, Bill became a member of the Investors Bank Advisory Board. He is a member of the **Board of Trustees of Robert Wood Johnson Hospital at** Hamilton, part of the RWJ Barnabas Health System, where he serves as Vice Chair of the Hamilton Board. He serves as a member of the Boards of Trustees of Hamilton Area YMCA. Bill has also served as a member of the Board of Trustees of such organizations as: the Drumthwacket Foundation, the Home Port Alliance for the Battleship New Jersey, Co-Chair for the New Jersey Steering Committee of the Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars, United Way of Essex/West Hudson, the Council of New Jersey Grant Makers and is an Initial Incorporator of New Jersey After 3.

Henry C. (Hank) Fisher

1049A Long Beach Blvd

Hank has been a resident of North Beach for 49 years, and has been a member of the North Beach Taxpayers' Association throughout this period.

Hank is a registered Professional Engineer. His career embraced all technical and economic aspects of power generation and process engineering, project management and business development.

Experience:

Partner, Associated Engineering, Inc. – engineering for power and process in commercial, industrial and institutional venues
US Coast Guard, Commissioned Officer – Chief Engineer aboard a turbo-electric drive vessel with experience in shipboard engineering, steam turbines, boilers, motors and generators, electrical systems, equipment evaporator units, refrigeration, air compressors and pumps.

Retired Commander, US Coast Guard Education:

Stevens Institute of Technology – MS in Mechanical Engineering
US Coast Guard—BS in Marine and Power Engineering

EMTs—Barnegat Light First Aid

The aid squad has a need for additional EMTs. If you know anyone who might be of assistance, I am sure they would appreciate hearing from you.

School Issues

- There will be a bond referendum vote on September 26th regarding the LBI Consolidated School District. They are seeking approval to purchase \$18.4M bonds in order to renovate and enlarge the Jacobson School to handle all 230 students in the system, thus allowing closure of the Ship Bottom Elementary School. The elected officials in the five affected municipalities are opposed to this referendum.
- There is increasing interest among elected LBI officials to hire Vito Gagliardi, Attorney, to file suit to obtain tax relief from the current formula involving the Southern Regional School system. Gagliardi is a recognized expert in this field.