

## Meeting Minutes OLSBA BOG Special Meeting February 9, 2026 via Zoom

### Officers Present

- Paul Yellen (President)
- John Cunningham (Vice President)
- Tracey Cappellucci (Secretary)

### BOG Members Present

- Mary Kate Reynolds
- Jack Thomas
- Tim Larson
- Jay Moynihan
- Jerry Vande Werken

### Key takeaways

- Paul Yellen's resignation as President of Old Lyme Shores Beach Association was accepted by the Board of Governors
- John Cunningham, former Vice President, was appointed as the new President until June 30th, 2026
- Paul Yellen was appointed as the new Vice President
- Board members expressed appreciation for Paul Yellen's service and leadership

### Discussed topics

#### Resignation of Paul Yellen as President

The Board reviewed and voted on accepting Paul Yellen's resignation.

- **Details**
  - Mary Kate: Made the motion to accept the resignation "unwillingly"
  - Tim Larson: Seconded the motion
  - Multiple board members: Expressed that the resignation was "bittersweet" and "sad"

- **Conclusion**

- The motion carried with unanimous approval from all five Board of Governors members

#### Appointment of New President

The Board discussed filling the vacant President position.

- **Details**

- Paul Yellen: Noted that according to the Charter and bylaws, the Vice President automatically fills the President position when vacant
- Tim Larson: Moved to appoint John Cunningham (former Vice President) as President
- Jack Thomas: Seconded the motion and noted the appointment should be automatic per bylaws

- **Conclusion**

- John Cunningham was unanimously appointed as President to serve the remainder of Paul Yellen's term through June 30th, 2026

#### Appointment of New Vice President

The Board discussed filling the newly vacant Vice President position.

- **Details**

- Jay Moynihan: Moved to appoint Paul Yellen as Vice President
- Tim Larson: Seconded the motion
- John Cunningham: Expressed appreciation for Paul's willingness to remain involved
- Jay Moynihan: Acknowledged Paul's significant contributions and hundreds of hours of service
- Tim Larson: Praised Paul's leadership style, temperament, and efficiency

- **Conclusion**

- Paul Yellen was unanimously appointed as Vice President

#### Public Participation

Several community members offered comments during the public participation segment.

- **Details**

- Judeen: Expressed gratitude for Paul's leadership, patience, and focus on improving Old Lyme Shores

- John Mandraccia: Encouraged broader community participation in association activities like putting out signs and maintaining bike racks
- **Conclusion**
  - Paul acknowledged the importance of volunteer participation and encouraged people to join committees

#### Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn made by Mary Kate Reynolds
- Seconded by Jack Thomas
- Unanimous approval to adjourn at 8:15pm