

## The 2025 Annual Meeting

The WHP annual meeting is scheduled for May 24, 2025 at 10 AM. The purpose of the meeting is to elect directors and discuss our WHP business. The directors running for re-election are Bob Fraley, Joe Fazio and Kristy Piccolotti. If you are interested in serving as a director, please submit your letter of intention by May 17<sup>th</sup> to P.O. Box 36 White Haven, Pa 18661 or by email to [info@whp-hoa.com](mailto:info@whp-hoa.com). Directors are elected to serve a three-year term.

Information can be obtained about WHP at our website [www.whp-hoa.com](http://www.whp-hoa.com), and [www.facebook.com/whitehavenpoconosownersassociation](https://www.facebook.com/whitehavenpoconosownersassociation), and the bulletin board on the bathhouse.

## Current Board Members

The WHP Board is a volunteer position. These men and women freely give their time to meet, maintain, plan upgrades and oversee operations of our Lake and Beach area. Thank you!!

Bob Fraley	President	
Joe Paskill	Vice President	570-443-2347
Joe Fazio		570-401-6441
Rich Rogan		570-401-9946
Kristy Piccolotti	Beach Master	303-519-2507
Rich Kresge		
Pete Daly	Secretary	
Steve Solarek		
Ron Pierce		

## Welcome New Members

Igor Baboshkin	4183 Paper Birch
Kevin Levin and Kaira Fletcher	1070 Aspen Road
Joseph and Kelly Grady	2225 Mt Ash Lane

## Fish Stocking

There was a successful spring trout stocking at Sunrise Lake of 308 mixed trout in March. 300 fish that measured between 9 - 13 inches, and 8 fish that were 15 - 16 inches long. As always, catch and release is encouraged with a two fish per day limit. All members and guests fishing at the lake will be required to have proper identification for lake access. Watch the website for updates on stocking dates. A fall stocking of pan fish is planned.



## Beach News

### Pavilion Reservations

Reservations can be made by members in good standing on or after February 1<sup>st</sup> by contacting Kristy or Rich Piccolotti at 303-519-2507.

A fee of \$25 and a deposit of \$50 must be paid at the time the reservation is made. The deposit check will be shredded if the renter complies with the terms of the rental agreement.

The seasons dues must be paid at least three weeks before the reservation date or the reservation will be forfeited.

Only one reservation per family is allowed until after July 1st.

Complete beach and pavilion regulations may be found at [www.whp-hoa.com](http://www.whp-hoa.com) and are posted on the bathhouse bulletin board.

### Lifeguards:

This year's lifeguards are Kayla Kresge & Barron Ralston.

### Beach Hours:

The official opening of the beach is Memorial Day weekend, weekends only, through the second or third week in June. The beach will open daily after the end of the school year subject to the availability of lifeguards.

### Water Safety Testing:

Will be performed weekly throughout the summer months. Results will be posted on the bulletin board at the bath house.

### Lake and Beach Water Treatment

We continue to utilize Ecological Solutions, Inc. to manage various lake and beach weeds as needed throughout the season.

We have been treating the swimming area with Muckaway to reduce the buildup of detritus (muck) and brown sediment on the sand in the swimming area. We saw a reduction in muck throughout last season and we will continue to treat muck throughout this year.

## Wristbands

Anyone using the beach or lake is required to display a wristband to identify themselves as an active member of WHP or the guest of an active member. This is an effort to prevent the unauthorized use of our facilities. Wristbands, four per family, will be distributed to active members at the general meeting or can be obtained from any Board member. Active members are those who have paid the current year's dues and have no balance past due. Wristbands are GREEN for the 2025-2026 season.

## Dues Payment Option

Payments for homeowner's fees can be made through PayPal (with a fee) and through Zelle. You can also pay by check or money order to PO Box 36. Instructions for payment options are attached to your bill.



## Annual Beach Clean Up

Our Annual Beach Clean-up Day is Saturday May 17, 2025, starting at 10:00 a.m. There are number of projects which must

be completed. We request that you and your family join us to help with the following tasks. In case of rain, please check the web site for a rain date.

- ✚ Leaf and Brush Removal – rakes, blowers and tarps are needed
- ✚ Inspect and repair picnic tables – hammer, saw, screw gun and hardware are needed.
- ✚ Clean grills and distribute around beach
- ✚ Inspect and repair playground equipment.
- ✚ Clean bath house – supplies provided by WHP

The better the turnout the shorter the workday! Kids are welcome to participate. Any help is appreciated.

**Next year's Beach Clean Up date is May 16, 2026, with a rain date of May 23, 2026.**

## White Haven Poconos Website

Remember to access the White Haven Poconos Association website for updates and current information about association activities. Remember, the website is yours to use. To contact the webmaster (a current board member) send an e-mail with your comments, questions, or concerns to [info@whp-hoa.com](mailto:info@whp-hoa.com). The website is [www.whp-hoa.com](http://www.whp-hoa.com).

## State of White Haven Poconos 2025

2024-25 was a productive year at White Haven Poconos. The big project was the construction of two new cabanas at the beach. This was done at the urging of members at the Annual Meeting, May 2024. The structures look great and will get much use this season and in future beach seasons.

Efforts continue with the proposed sale of the lot and building owned by the Association and located on Mountain Ash Lane. At present we are having the lot surveyed and a deed created and recorded. Once this is completed, we plan to list the lot with a realtor. Any Association members interested in the purchase should give their contact information to a Board member so this can be relayed to the listing agent. Voting to approve the two Referendums presented with the dues bills will allow the sale of the property. Referendum #1 is required because the by-laws are unclear on the meaning of "all members", when requiring a majority vote. The BOD is seeking to define "all members" as described in the Referendum. Referendum #2 is requesting approval to sell the subject property. Please complete the ballot and return with your dues statement and payment to have your vote counted.

Other projects addressed last year included repairs to the basketball court surface, establishing additional drainage at the bathhouse to prevent runoff into the facility, a great annual picnic, and the recent spring stocking of trout for the lake. Ongoing issues include the monitoring of the bathhouse septic system, continued repairs to Sunrise Lake Drive, significant cleanup from the winter storms, and weed control at the lake. Upcoming projects include the cleaning and maintenance of the dam and gate valve, additional beach sand, and a planned fall stocking of panfish. We, the Board, strive to make White Haven Poconos a wonderful community in which to live and play. We could not do this without the help of our members. We wish to thank all those in the community who helped make this the great place that it is.

Truly,  
The Board of Directors, White Haven Poconos

## Our Community Says Goodbye

It is with great sadness that we note the passing of long-time members Frank Martino, Sr., Jason Fraley and Allen Thomas. The residents of White Haven Pocono's extend our sincere sympathies to their family and friends.



### Please Be Courteous

Please be courteous to your neighbors. Bear Creek Township has leash laws for dogs. Please keep your furry friend always leashed. We have many children playing as well as people walking and running through our beautiful neighborhood. Please be courteous and keep your dog on a leash so no one gets hurt.



Also, please be kind and do not allow your dog to bark early in the morning or late at night or even all day long. We have many retirees attempting to "sleep in" as well as young ones that need to get to bed early for school and those of us who need to get up early for work the next day!! Thank you!!

**Dog Warden - Jim Spencer - 570-350-9392**

**SPCA of Luzerne County - 570-825-4111 ext. 103 to report the situation**



### Boats

Boats are required to be removed from the beach for the winter to avoid damage, vandalism, and theft. Please remember that when boats are returned to the lake, they must be labeled with your name and address.



### CASELLA'S TRASH -

(888) 485-1469 will pick up regular recycling items curbside!!! They also have a good price for trash pick-up. <https://www.casella.com>

### Burn Ordinance

There is a burning ordinance in Bear Creek Township. Burning is only allowed in an enclosed area such as a burn barrel or fire pit. Please do not burn Styrofoam, plastics or building supplies such as plywood and laminates. Burning such items causes toxic fumes. Please be considerate of your neighbors and be aware when there are burn bans due to dry conditions and wind. When in doubt, you can go to the Bear Creek township website at [www.bearcreektownship.org](http://www.bearcreektownship.org)



### Snow and Road Maintenance

As many of you know, our roads are maintained, and snow removal is done by Bear Creek Township. The number to reach the Bear Creek Municipal Building is 570-825-9077.

### Outstanding Dues

Please be advised that all property owners and renters are responsible for having their dues paid up to date. We are requesting all delinquent payments be submitted with this year's dues payment. Our fiscal year starts June 1<sup>st</sup> and any member not in good standing will be denied access to WHP Association amenities.

Members that remain in arrears after August 31<sup>st</sup> may be turned over to a collection agency and processed for legal action. **Remember, the annual dues are a requirement of your property deed whether you use the facilities of White Haven Poconos or not!** Thank you in advance for your timely payment. **Please mail your Association dues to our PO Box 36 White Haven, Pa 18661. Dues may be paid by check, PayPal or Zelle. Please see the note attached to your bill.**



### We Have Bears

There are bears in White Haven Poconos. They love the neighborhood trash that you may put out the night before for your trash pickup. **(A midnight snack)** Please be mindful that they may get into your trash and drag it across the street or into someone else's yard. **Please clean up your trash if this happens. Thank you!**

### Sunrise Lake Regulations

There are rules and regulations which have been developed to ensure all our safety while enjoying our beautiful lake and beach. If you need a refresher on the rules, please see the copy posted at the bathhouse or ask the lifeguard or a BOD member. They are also posted on the website. **The rules and regulations have been updated this year.** Please be respectful of our lifeguards as they are there for the safety of our community.



### Disabled Motor Vehicles

Bear Creek Township has an Ordinance Prohibiting the storage of Disabled Motor Vehicles. Any motor vehicle possessing one or more of the following characteristics is in violation of this ordinance and is subject to removal:

- A. It is inoperable and has been stored in a residentially zoned area within Bear Creek Township for more than seven days.**
- B. It lacks an engine, one or more tires or other essential part.**
- C. It is kept in such a condition as to become a haven for vermin.**
- D. It is maintained in a precarious or dangerous position of location.**
- E. It has broken glass or other sharp edges.**
- F. It presents a threat to the health, safety, or welfare of the public.**

### Newsletter

If you have births or deaths, you would like acknowledged in the newsletter or any information you would like included in the next newsletter, please contact Gerri Rogan at 570-436-5477, or submit them to: WHP Owners Assoc., P.O. Box 36, White Haven, PA 18661 or by email to [info@whp-hoa.com](mailto:info@whp-hoa.com).

### Special Shout Out

Thank you to Dana Trauger and Friends for running the Annual picnic last year! The proceeds from the raffle were applied to the purchase of two sets of WHP Cornhole. YAHOO! Dana has kindly accepted the Picnic Leadership again for this year. Please contact Dana on Facebook Friends and Family if you can volunteer to help this year.



On behalf of the association, we would like to extend a special thanks to all the people who volunteered to help get things done. We do not want to mention names in fear we will forget someone. Sooooo, **THANK YOU** to:

- Those who did beach clean-up this year!!
- Those who ran and helped with the picnic and made it a success.
- Those who pick up the trash around the neighborhood, the lake, and the entrance road.
- Those who helped with the fish stocking and patrolling the lake.
- Those who do neighborhood watch.
- The directors for their time and to all those who are more than willing to help when asked.
- Those who donate the coffee pot for the annual meeting!
- Thank you to any one we forgot!!



**REMEMBER STOP SIGNS ARE THERE FOR A REASON! ALSO, PLEASE ABIDE BY THE POSTED SPEED LIMITS. IT'S THE LAW!**

- + Remember, bus stops may be at each corner. Please watch for children, especially early in the morning.
- + **No unregistered motorized vehicles such as ATV's, dirt bikes, snowmobiles, golf carts or scooters are permitted on association property. This includes Sunrise Lake road, Sunrise Lake Beach or Sunrise Lake Parking lot and property adjacent to the lake!! According to Pennsylvania state law, these vehicles are not permitted on neighborhood roads as well. If you see someone violating this, please call the Pennsylvania state police.**
- + There has been a large amount of garbage dumping on the entrance road. Please take your garbage with you or get a garbage service.
- + If you see someone speeding, talk to your neighbor or contact a board member with the license number!
- + Please be aware the dumpster and trash cans at the lake are **NOT** for household trash. Anybody caught breaking WHPHOA rules will lose association privileges for the year.



## Recycling

For information on what and where, reference the following websites:

<https://search.earth911.com/>

<https://www.recyclingcenternear.me/>

<https://bearcreektownship.org/recycling/>

<https://www.luzernecounty.org/324/Recycling-Department>

### **RECYCLING CENTER FOR BEAR CREEK TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS ONLY – per the BCT Website**

Single Stream Recycling

Location: Recreation Road by the Township Salt Shed

Hours: Every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. or until the dumpster are full.

### **Important Township Phone Numbers**

Garage Phone: 570-825-9077

Road Crew Foreman: John Watkins

Road Crew: Robert Kachinko

Road Crew: Ron McMaster

E-Mail: [jwatkins@bearcreektownship.org](mailto:jwatkins@bearcreektownship.org)

Fire Department, Ambulance, Police 911

### **Board of Supervisors – Verified per BCT website**

Chairman	Ruth Ann Koval	
Vice Chair	Robert Suchocki	
Board Member	John Ondich	
Board Member	Mark Petlock	
Board Member	Ryan O'Hara	
Solicitor	William E. Vinsko, Jr.	
Secretary	Paula Weihbrecht	570-822-2260
Tax Collector	Berkheimer	570-824-2409
Tax Collector	Tracey O'Day	570-704-4664

State Police, Non-Emergency 570- 697-2000

Sewage Enforcement - Steve Egenski 570-239-7086

Metrocast Cable Service 800-633-8578

**PADCNR Turn in the poacher** 1-888-PGC-8001

**WHP 2024 Annual Meeting Minutes: May 25, 2024**

Called to order.

Thanks extended for all attending.

Moment of silence for lost members and loved ones with special mention of Jimmy Mariner.

Introduction of Board members: Bob Fraley, Joe Paskill, Kristy Piccolotti, Rich Rogan, Steve Solarek present.

Introduction of new members.

2023 Minutes approved.

Basic housekeeping because of By-Laws:  
Deny beach access to delinquent members, motion made and approved.

2024/25 Budget, motion made and approved.

Reviewed last year's projects:

The annual picnic, which was organized by Cammie Pierce. Thank you to Cammie and Ron. This year Dana Trauger and Duplessis to organize. Dana discussed plans for the picnic.

Spring stocking of trout. Thanks to all that helped on a rainy day. Over 330 trout stocked. Catch and release encouraged.

Spring clean-up. Thanks for all those who helped and participated.

Progress on sale of lot and storage building was discussed. Included discussion of the appraisal, removal of hazardous waste, and obtaining a new lawyer to create separate deed for the property. Plan to have realtor sell the property. Those in WHP who are interested in the property were told to send their contact information to the Board. The Board will then give these contacts to a realtor, once one is under contract.

Change in date of pavilion rental made per a suggestion from last year's meeting. This was discussed by Kristy.

Septic system at bathhouse and effluent was discussed. Rich R. addressed steps taken, current status, and possible future needs. Currently monitoring effluent.

Possible Grant for repairs of Sunrise Lake Drive was discussed. Limited information was available currently. Linda Miller stated she would look for additional grants that may be available for WHP.

The floor was opened for discussion of concerns and possible future projects. These included: the poor condition of the roads in WHP; new gas grills; propane fire pits for the beach; additional small, permanent shelters for the beach; allowing ice cream truck access to beach parking lot.

Kristy Piccolotti made an appeal for additional lifeguards for the beach.

Joe Paskill, Ron Pierce, and Steve Solarek were reelected to 3-year Board positions. They ran unopposed.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

**Respectfully submitted by Joe Paskill**

# WHITE HAVEN POCONOS ANNUAL PICNIC

**Saturday, July 19, 2025**

The White Haven Poconos Picnic and Community Day 2025 will be held Saturday July 19 from 12 noon to 10 p.m. Planned activities include music, games, corn hole, horseshoes and raffles. All members of the White Haven Poconos Home Owners Association and friends are welcome to participate in the day's events.

For those wishing to partake in food and drink; hamburgers, hot dogs, water and juice will be available for \$6.00 per adult over 12 years old. Each family can cook their own food when they are ready to eat.

You do not need to purchase a food ticket to participate in the day's activities. So be sure to come out, meet your neighbors, and have a good time at the lake!

Everyone is encouraged to contribute to the **DESSERT TABLE**. So please bring your delicious cakes, cookies, and desserts so everyone can rave about them!

Contributions are also needed for the **BASKETS of CHEER and Tricky trays**. Please drop off donations to the home of Dana Trauger - 3096 Fern Ridge Road. Cash donations are gladly accepted.

**Picnic tables cannot be reserved until Friday night, July 18, after 5:00 PM.**

**It is very difficult to estimate the food needed when reservations are late, or tickets are sold that day. Save money and help us by getting your reservations in before the deadline of July 12. There will be a price increase to \$10.00 for any reservation after July 12. Tickets will not be sold after 2:00 PM on picnic day.**

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**PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM WITH YOUR PAID RESERVATION  
BY JULY 12 to:  
WHP Owner's Association, PO Box 36, White Haven, PA 18661**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ # of ADULTS @ \$6.00 \$\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ # of CHILDREN 6-12 years \*\*\*\*\* free

\_\_\_\_\_ # of CHILDREN 5 and under \*\*\*\*\* free

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE \$\_\_\_\_\_

Piñata activities will be provided for children under 12 years old.

There will be a price increase to \$10.00 for any reservations after July 12.

**\*\*\*\* Children are free with an accompanying adult. The accompanying adult needs to be the one who has paid for their own food ticket.**