

Approved Minutes: January 13, 2011 TNH Law Library 7:30- 8:45

MANHASSET BAY PROTECTION COMMITTEE

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Attendees: Pasqua Dziadul, Ray Herbert, Don Parker, Vahan Tanal, Jeff Zeh, Fred Pollack, Megan Loeb, Kevin Braun, Jennifer Wilson-Pines

Adoption of the Minutes of November 15, 2010 as amended: Moved: Jeff Zeh, seconded William Clemency

New Business:

Welcome, introductions:

LISS CAC: See emailed notes

CWP Webinar on constructed wetlands in March. NEMO and Seagrant are having a conference viewing, but it's in Riverhead. JWP is in contact with Hofstra to see if a Nassau site could be found. If you know of any other internet conference sites, please send JWP an email.

Upcoming Festivals: March 5 History and Nature Festival at Port Washington library, (JWP) Earth Day education at Clark Gardens, (JWP) May14-15 Eco Fest, Clark Botanical Gardens, (Volunteers needed) June 5 HarborFest, Port Washington Town Dock (Volunteers needed).

County dues: With fiscal crisis, County is looking to cut back or eliminate dues. HH is meeting with legislators to discuss. JWP will contact HHPC Exec Eric Swenson about joining forces. Need to also contact Judy Bosworth, Great Neck representative.

Old Business:

Boater Pollution Prevention Grant: Additional financial information was requested by NFWF and sent, still waiting for contract. JWP informed Water Front Advisory Commission of grant. The press release is written but is being held until paperwork is approved.

Sewage releases/Water Quality testing & notifications: list was updated, will be reviewed at next Water Front Advisory Commission.

Interpretive Signage: JWP meeting with Mayor Weitzner. He is interested in going in with MBPC to produce 2 signs for the Port North portion of the Baywalk, as interpretive signage for art work that will be installed this spring. JWP spoke to designer Paul Singer and has a list of dates he can meet. JWP will set up a doodle poll for a meeting date. JWP is working on another topic: The Changing Shoreline, to describe human alterations made by sand mining, mill ponds, dredging and fill to the shoreline of the Bay.

Oyster Bay/Cold Spring Harbor PC/ Northport PC: OBCSHPC has received a grant to fund the Executive Director position and set up an office for the first year. A position description has been created and is being circulated. Northport has taken the first steps to form a protection

committee to address their serious pollution issues. In future, bring all committees together to lobby, north shore lobby group.

Meeting dates: Does the Committee wish to go to 10 meetings a year and drop a December meeting. Discussion result, keep the date as adoption of dues has to take place in the fall.

Municipal Reports:

Town: Awarding contract for design of BayWalk.

Blueway trail work is continuing, had booth at last HarborFest for public comment, consultants have been reviewing shoreline sites, expecting designs in coming month, then committee will get back together. Expected to be complete by end of year.

Sheets Creek North: Meeting with DEC to pitch designs for bank restoration, stabilization, storm drain work. DEC is in a state of flux with lay offs, so hard to get them focused.

Plandome: Have a stormwater project. Plandome road has been closed by stormwater during heavy storms because storm sewer pipe is obstructed and is cracked, causing water to back up on road and flow down private street. Doing a comprehensive study of how to alleviate that problem, whether new pipe or additional measures are needed.

Port Washington North: Five pieces of art have been completed for the BayWalk and will be installed this spring. Opening ceremony will be in June. Native plantings have done well under adverse conditions. JWP discussed storm drains on Cow Neck Road that are not draining with Mayor Weitzner.

Sands Point: Developer Brodsky got final approval for 6 homes on Lands End property. Architect for spec house has been chosen.

Jeff Zeh is new liaison for library to Nautical Committee.

Next Meeting: Thursday, February 10.

Meeting dates for 2011: Mark your Calendars!

Proposed Meeting schedule for 2011: 1/13, 2/10, 3/10, 4/14, 5/12, 6/9 Boat trip?, 7/14, AUGUST NO MEETING, 9/8, 10/13, 11/17 MOVED TO AVOID TOWN BUDGET HEARING, 12/8.