



Final Minutes  
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## MANHASSET BAY PROTECTION COMMITTEE

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***Present: Members: Bob Keane, Chair, Bill Clemency, Pasqua Dzuidel, Nora Haagenson, Ray Herbert, Don Parker, Fred Pollack, Matt Temares, Jeff Zeh***  
***Consultants and Staff: Megan Loeb, Kevin Braun, Joel Ziev, JWP***

***Adoption of the Minutes of July 14, 2011 Moved: Jeff Zeh Seconded: Fred Pollack***

### **New Business:**

Welcome, introductions:

Set Dues for 2012: Previous level is acceptable for coming year. There is enough in account to cover grant expenses until reimbursement. Moved: Matt Temares Second: Nora Haagenson Unanimously moved

Set meeting dates for 2012: (See bottom of agenda and please check your calendars) Members will get back to JWP

EPF Grant: The three Protection Committees, Friends of the Bay and the Town of Oyster Bay are applying for a joint grant under the Environmental Protection Fund round for a comprehensive Septic Education program. It would involve mapping, surveys of homeowners to discover impediments to regular pump out and a multi-faceted social networking program to encourage homeowners to pump out and maintain systems. Model regulations for municipalities may also be included. Matt Temares was at an Illicit Discharge meeting put on by H2M. It was stated that there will be a common state wide tracking form, Westchester County already has a regulation in place, DEC is requiring. JWP will send out a model letter of support for the grant.

**MBPC Logo: The current MBPC logo is looking dated. Our sign designer, Paul Singer, has given a price of \$750 for a new logo. We would receive three variations. In discussion with Paul, we concluded that the most important elements the logo needed to convey are clean water and our area, Manhasset Bay. A sub-committee of 2-3 members is needed to review the logo choices if we move forward.**

**Resolution Proposed: To engage Paul Singer for \$750 to create a new logo image for the Committee. Moved: Bill Clemency Second: Don Parker. In favor 8, carried**

PW Nautical Committee Lecture: JWP will be giving the Port Washington Public Library Nautical Committee lecture on October 27 at 7:30pm, on the State of the Bay.

Hurricane Irene and aftermath: Several areas in Port Washington flooded over the roadway. The sidewalk in the Baxter Beach section is now seriously eroded and needs to be addressed. Sand that was carried onto Shore road has been swept. There are flood mitigation grants available from the State and FEMA. Several residential bulkheads in Manorhaven failed.

Water Quality Testing: After two rounds showing very high levels at the Baxter Beach site, a round of testing including sampling both Mill and Baxter Pond was done to see if the problem was coming from

upland. Readings were back to normal levels. A discussion with the Superintendent of the Port Washington Water Pollution Control district yielded information that they had experienced 2 small spills, reflected by higher reading in July 18 and August 1, when pipes were damaged during construction. He also mentioned that houses along Central Drive are not sewerred and there have been issues there in the past. However he had not gotten a report from a pump out company indicating an overflow.

### **Old Business:**

Kayak Run: Around 40 boats participated and a good time was had by all. It's timed to a good tide, but that pushed the date back into August, which lowered attendance.

Dredge Material Management: Joel Ziev: Work group is 30 people from CT and NY, reviewing ACE (Army Corps of Engineers) plan for dredge management. Trying to get ACE to consider beneficial use, upland disposal, small projects and recreational harbor needs. Making islands with dredge materials is one use being tried in Jamaica Bay.

Beach Clean Up: There were three clean ups as part of the Ocean Conservancy Beach Clean Up. The North Shore Kayak club cleaned Leeds pond, Girl Scout troop 241 cleaned Manorhaven Beach on September 17, and St. Stephen's Youth group clean Baxter Beach on October 2. Hurricane Irene had moved the high tide line far up from the beach and less debris was recovered than usual. A press release is going out to the Port Washington News.

Boater Pollution Prevention Grant: The October lecture is part of the grant. Distribution of socks is stalled due to contractor's unhappiness with Town contract. JWP is asking for a grant extension. Entire LI Sound is now a no discharge zone.

Interpretive Signage: Signs are in final form, with the exception of adding MBPC logo. Paul Singer is investigating vandal proofing as one of the Port North signs has already been damaged. Options are a frame with lexan insert, a new surfacing technique, or a metal engraving process. Port North has installed a video monitor system at the BayWalk to try and prevent additional damage.

LISS CAC Meeting 9/8/2011: Discussion of roll out of Sound Vision plan was discussed, along with Hurricane Irene, legislative agenda and getting the Study funded.

### **Municipal Reports:**

**Town:** Four men went out at night in a Town Dock rowboat, were drinking and capsized. Three managed to get onto other boats. Body of fourth was recovered today. Another near miss at the end of Thirsty Thursday a few weeks ago, very dark night, boom knocked a man into water, boat following dived in and brought him up onto another boat, he recovered.

**Port North:** Had a big party to officially open the BayWalk, well attended.

Library Nautical Council: JWP attended 6 of the 8 boat tours. Annual foundation gala was with a nautical theme. Possibly discuss with Great Neck and Manhasset libraries.

### **Next Meeting: November 17**

### **Meeting dates for 2011: Mark your Calendars!**

Meeting schedule for 2011: 10/13, 11/17 MOVED TO AVOID TOWN BUDGET HEARING, 12/8.

**Proposed 2012 dates, 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday:** 1/12, 2/11, 3/8, 4/12, 5/10, 6/14, 7/12, NO AUGUST, 9/13 (Rosh Hashanah is 9/17), 10/11, 11/15 (moved to avoid Town budget Hearing), 12/13