

Manhasset Bay Protection Committee Final Minutes July 12, 2012 Meeting

Attendees: Bob Keane, Chair, Jeff Bass, Charles Comer, Pasqua Dziadul, Nora Haagenson, Councilwoman Anna Kaplan, John Walters, Kevin Braun, Sabereh Samat, JWP

Adoption of the Minutes of May 10, 2012

New Business:

Welcome, introductions:

Interpretive signage: Bases for horizontal signs arrived originally. They have been replaced with the correct bases. They should be installed shortly. Fossil has been very uncooperative and we will look for another vendor for round 2. JWP will send out topics and locations for round 2 to the sub-committee latter this month. Sub-Committee meeting in next two weeks to decide topics.

Water Quality Monitoring: June results were good despite wet weather. There were slightly elevated, but within swimming parameter, readings at the beginning of the month at Baxter Beach and Nun 4. Baxter went to limits at end of month, but stayed inside parameters.

NCVOA Meetings: October 9 featured speaker will be Michael Keefer of H2M on MS4 and stormwater. JWP will attend, please encourage trustees and mayors to take advantage of this opportunity for education. NCVOA has established a subcommittee for MS4 work. JWP is a member. Concerned especially about inland villages that don't understand the MS4 requirements. At La Marmite.

Invite special districts to attend meetings: Special districts to invite to Sept. meeting: Port Washington Library Nautical Council, Port Washington Water Pollution Control District, Great Neck Water Pollution Control District, Great Neck Parks District. This concept is part of the original bylaws.

Harbor Management Plan: JWP spoke with DOS at length. The Town has an existing LWRP grant, #6766 with EPF funding in 2006 for \$120,000, 60K from DOS, 60K match. It expired 9/30/2011 but has not been turned back and can be extended. In accordance with the DOS guidance documents for Harbor Management, HM is considered a required subset of an LWRP and the existing Town grant does have a provision for harbor management mapping. IT also states the HM done for Hempstead Harbor is the model for all of the water bodies under Town control. Kevin said that the Town decided not to move forward with the grant because the LWRP creates specific directives for land use that precludes changes. There is EPF funding but the round is closing on Monday July 16.

Boating Times LI Article: Tab Hauser is writing a piece on MBPC and the Hempstead Protection Committee for a fall edition of Boating Times L.I., tentatively titled, "Two Harbors, One Peninsula."

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Old Business:

PWLNC boat tours: JWP accompanied the Council tours for 6 of 8 trips, with full attendance.

Power Squadron: JWP gave a power point presentation on Manhasset Bay and the Boater Pollution Prevention grant to a joint meeting of the Little Neck, Bayside and Oyster Bay Power Squadrons. Bilge socks and fuel whistles were also distributed.

CESSPOOL: JWP and Eric Swenson had a meeting with very talented teen from Manhasset who has made a video of water quality issues, He is interested in working on the CESSPOOL project with the Committees and creating a film. JWP attended a breakfast sponsored by NYLCV where Executives Mangano and Bellone spoke about the issues of sewers and septics on water quality. NFWF is reviewing the second grant proposal for funding of training classes for municipal and private employees.

Festivals: HarborFest June 3. Thanks to Jeff Bass, Bob Keane, and Jeff Zeh. Despite an early closing at 3pm due to a violent thunderstorm, it was a good day with lots of attendees. The new kids activity area was very popular.

Green Infrastructure Conference: The Conference went well. Very hot weather lowered attendance due to various DPW workers being called to set up cooling centers. Brookhaven Lab was an excellent host, and presentations from both the director and facility manager were given on the Lab's work toward green infrastructure and energy conservation. Attendee's polled were happy with the conference and interested in it becoming an annual event.

June Boat Tour: There were 24 attendees on the annual tour. Despite less than ideal weather conditions a good time was had by all.

Review and update bylaws, mission statement: September meeting

Grant updates: DEC grant has been finalized and approved locally, now it is in Albany. It will bring back \$25,000 in monies expended between 2004 and 2008. Two smaller grants were also closed out for a total of \$1000.

Municipal Reports:

Great Neck Filed MS4 well within time frame. About to begin dry weather outfall testing (20%) with village crews, bringing samples to H2M for processing. Don't have to include all of themhave about 60+. Great Neck Village and WPCD consolidation new plant is behind schedule by about 120 days or more.

Kayak run is July 21. Sponsored by Town, PW Community Chest and Kayak Club.

Baxter Estates: County is moving toward clean out of sedimentation basin. Has come twice, but left a lot each time, and the level of material in pond is still high. Files MS4 report in a timely manor. Are discussing the beach and what to do about stabilizing it. There was a discussion of homeless people living in parks and possible solutions.

Plandome and Flower Hill share a recharge basin, which is totally overgrown, and no longer functional. Many of the basins in the Great Neck peninsula are in the same condition. **Town:** Blue Way trail nearly complete, one to two month; draft map and study are nearly done.

2012 Meeting dates, 2nd Thursday: NO AUGUST, 9/13 (Rosh Hashanah is 9/17), 10/11, 11/15 (moved to avoid Town budget Hearing), 12/13 Adjourned: 8:50

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