



**TOWN OF SHELTER ISLAND
SHELTER ISLAND
NEW YORK**

**Taylor's Island Preservation and Management Committee
December 13, 2011
Town Hall
Minutes**

Members Present: Co-Chair P.A.T. Hunt, Barbara "Buzz" Clark, Keith Clark, Carol Galligan, Kathy Gooding and Town Board Liaison Ed Brown

Member Excused: Richie Surozenski

Member Absent: Michael Laspia

Meeting called to order: 9:04 AM

A motion to accept the amended minutes of November 15, 2011 was made by Kathy Gooding and seconded by Carol Galligan. The minutes were accepted.

A correction to the October 11, 2011 minutes was discussed and approved.

Old Business:

Grant:

NYSOPR&HP EPF/HP:

The Committee reviewed the article that appeared on page 34 of the November 24, 2011 *Shelter Island Reporter* regarding Andre Tchelistcheff and his team beginning work on Taylor's Island.

Last Wednesday, December 7, Co-Chair Hunt visited Andre Tchelistcheff's studio in New York City and brought back the "as is" drawings they created. She noted that a member of his crew is a Shelter Island resident. The project architect, Eric Hildebrand, stated that they want to meet with us here during the week of January 9 or 16. The Committee selected the week of January 16.

Co-Chair Hunt spoke about the required sign; only two names can be listed or none. Co-Chair Hunt canvassed the Committee and the decision was none. It will say Town of Shelter Island, which is all-inclusive. It will be a sand-blasted wooden sign. Keith Clark recommended a hardwood with a urethane covering. The sign will be in place for 10 years. A picture of it has to be forwarded before the first payment is made.

Bulkhead/Seawall repair/restoration:

Areas 5 and 6 of the DEC permit are in process. The concrete pieces are out on the Island.

Financial Business—November 30, 2011:

Co-Chair Hunt reported: New York Class Account balance is \$80,511.08 which includes interest of \$0.10; Chase Business High Yield Savings Account is \$7,044.98 which includes interest of \$0.29.

Co-Chair Hunt asked Kathy Sullivan for a printout of our 2012 budget. The kayak landing area must be finished this year because it has no allocation for the following year; those funds were moved to Cabin Restoration, now at \$14,000. Dock repair remained the same. Equipment also stayed the same. Office and Miscellaneous went down \$1500. Kathy Gooding reiterated Town Clerk Dorothy Ogar's statement that certain of last year's moneys can be rolled over into this year's budget and the Committee has until March to spend them.

Update on Work Accomplished on Taylor's Island and Future Plans:

A new lawn mower has been purchased. Water pipes were drained last week and the water tank removed. The Japanese knot weed has been dug up; no evidence noted but Spring will give a real update. Trimming back the foliage on the landward side of the approach to the Island is needed and volunteers have offered to do it. The floating docks have been moved to their winter location. A winter stake is attached to the stake and pulley mooring.

Committee Reappointments:

The Town put a notice in the December 8 *Shelter Island Reporter* seeking applicants to serve on our Committee. Michael Laspia's position needs to be filled. The Town has received one response. With Co-Chair Surozenski absent and a second notice to appear in this week's newspaper, further discussion was postponed until next month's meeting.

New Business:

Thank You Letters:

Co-Chair Hunt will draft a letter from the Committee to retiring Highway Superintendent and Commissioner of Public Works Mark Ketcham thanking him for his work on Taylor's Island over the past six years. A similar letter will be sent to Committee Member Michael Laspia.

Town's Holiday Party:

The Town's Holiday Party will be held on Wednesday, December 21, at 12 noon.

Taylor's Island Foundation News:

Update on Website and facebook:

For the month of November our website had 149 visits with 515 page views. To date Taylor's Island has 398 fans on facebook.

Kettle Clambake:

The Kettle Clambake cannot happen on Taylor's Island next summer because of the Cabin restoration; an alternate site must be found. St. Gabriel's might be a possibility, you can see Taylor's Island from there. Co-Chair Hunt has the contact information and will follow through. Another possibility is Firemen's Memorial Park where the Fire Department's Chicken Barbecue is held. Goat Hill and the Island Boatyard were also mentioned although unlikely spots since they have leaseholders.

The next meeting date is scheduled for Tuesday, January 10, 2012.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:56 AM

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Galligan, Taylor's Island Preservation and Management Committee