



**TOWN OF SHELTER ISLAND
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NEW YORK**

**Taylor's Island Preservation and Management Committee
April 10, 2007
Minutes**

Members Present: Co-Chair Pat Hunt, Co-Chair Richie Surozenski, Keith Clark, Roni King, Barbara Clark, Supervisor Kilb

Members Absent: Mike Laspia

Others Present: Danielle LiCausi, Clerk; Larry Tuthill

Open Meeting at 9:04 AM

The March 13, 2007, Minutes were approved as revised.

Old Business:

Fund Raising Efforts:

Raffle:

Co-Chair Hunt reported that Louise Clark of Shelter Island Graphics will be designing the posters with Ms. King and Co-Chair Hunt's phone numbers as contacts and the raffle tickets, 500 to be printed and ready for sale Memorial Day weekend for \$20 each. She also shared the wording to be used to promote the prizes supplied by Shelter Island Kayak Tours, Planet Bliss, and John Picker. Co-Chair Hunt further reported that Ms. Harriet O'Halloran has agreed to cater the lunch for 12 and will be preparing the wording to be used to promote this prize.

Signature Quilt:

Co-Chair Hunt shared a photograph of the signature squares laid out on the floor to represent what the finished quilt will look like. She distributed packets of ten signature squares and two archival ink pens to each Committee member who agreed to sell them for \$20 per signature block.

Kettle Clam Bake:

The Committee recapped that they plan to sell 100 tickets for \$75 each. The ticket price may be adjusted depending upon the cost of the kettle clam bake materials.

Possible Fund Raiser:

Supervisor Kilb reported that someone has offered to donate a South Ferry Cruise for approximately 60 people to the Taylor's Island Preservation and Management Committee

to be used as a fundraiser. The Committee discussed this generous donation and agreed to accept with gratitude.

National Register of Historic Places Application:

Co-Chair Hunt reported that Virginia Bartos has requested letters of support from family and friends of Francis Marion Smith and S. Gregory Taylor, as this application is reported to be “on the fence.” Co-Chair Hunt shared a conversation with one of F.M. Smith’s grandsons indicating that the cabin on Taylor’s Island may well be the last remaining structure in the personal life of Francis Marion Smith. This may, as well, be true of S. Gregory Taylor. Co-Chair Hunt shared e-mail correspondence she received from relatives who agreed to write to Ms. Bartos, who plans to revisit Taylor’s Island on May 31, 2007, this time with her supervisor.

Ms. King shared her very informative findings on Francis Marion Smith collected during her recent visit to Oakland, California. The Committee agreed to present this significant information to Ms. Bartos. Co-Chair Hunt to follow-up with the Shelter Island Yacht Club and New York Yacht Club regarding F.M. Smith and his yacht, *Haouli*.

Preserve New York Grant:

Supervisor Kilb reported that he was contacted by Patrick Moravec, grant writer from Ms. Jean O’Connell’s office, requesting additional information regarding other preservation efforts by the Town. Supervisor Kilb supplied information regarding the preservation of Goat Hill, which is owned and maintained by the Town, as well as other projects. Co-Chair Hunt stated that photographer Ms. McGayhey is willing to visit Taylor’s Island to take a total of ten slides of the inside and outside of the building depicting areas that require repair, to be submitted as part of the application for the Preserve New York Grant. Mr. Clark agreed to arrange for Ms. McGayhey’s transportation to and from Taylor’s Island.

NYSDEC Grant:

Co-Chair Hunt reported that this grant was denied and will not be considered in future rounds.

Work at Taylor’s Island:

The Committee reviewed and discussed the electrical work to still be accomplished and Co-Chair Surozenski agreed to pursue the electrician. Co-Chair Hunt agreed to contact Mr. Hallman to test the well water once the pump is back in service.

Financial Business Update:

Co-Chair Hunt reported the figures for February, 2007 for the NY Class Account \$75,508.26, the March balance of Investor’s Choice Account \$ 2,940.78, and \$2,000 in the General Fund. She further reported there’s no update from Town Attorney, Laury Dowd, and the address change on the residual shares.

Taylor’s Island Website:

Co-Chair Hunt reported that there have been 2,746 visitors to date, and shared the comments of two new guestbook signers who are grandsons of Francis Marion Smith. She further reported that with the encouragement of a Taylor’s Island website guestbook signer she contacted Father Alex of the Greek Orthodox Church in Southampton and received a very favorable response and additional information on S. Gregory Taylor.

Bulkhead Update:

Co-Chair Hunt reported that Larry Tuthill and Ed Bausman have completed their work for the DEC permit, and it is ready to be presented to the WMAC.

Porch Bids:

Mr. Clark submitted a sealed bid to Co-Chair Hunt; and the Committee agreed that no bids shall be opened until all bids have been submitted

New Business:

Ms. King reported that she is drafting a Long Term Lease agreement between the Town of Shelter Island and the Taylor's Island Foundation. The Committee reviewed and discussed the needs of the lease.

Co-Chair Hunt shared information for a potential fundraiser which will be considered next year, 2008, since the Committee has accepted a donor's offer of a South Ferry cruise.

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, May 8, 2007

Meeting Adjourned at 10:43 AM.

**Respectfully submitted,
Danielle LiCausi
Clerk to the Committees**