



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

**Taylor's Island Preservation and Management Committee
December 11, 2007
Minutes**

Members Present: Co-Chair P.A.T. Hunt, Co-Chair Richie Surozenski, Keith Clark, Barbara Clark, Mike Laspia

Members Excused: Supervisor Kilb, Roni King

Opened meeting at 9:05AM with a moment of silence in memory of Larry Tuthill who died on December 7th. The Committee shared their fond memories and gratitude for the fine life of Mr. Tuthill.

The November 13, 2007 Minutes were approved as revised.

Old Business:

Grants:

Co-Chair Hunt reported that with the approval of Laury Dowd, Chris Lewis and Peter Reich who oversee grants for the Town, the Taylor's Island Preservation and Management Committee will be applying for the EPF Grant from the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation. The Historic Structure Report, which is currently underway, will be included in the application.

Financial:

Co-Chair Hunt reported the figures for the accounts for November: NY Class Account is \$78,296.28; Chase Business High Yield Savings Account is \$ 3,106.67; General Fund is \$2,000.

Update on Website:

Co-Chair Hunt reported there have been 4,683 visitors.

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

Co-Chair Hunt reported that the water pump has been removed and the cabin has been winterized. She further reported that John Fokine, the engineer working on the Historic Structure Report, suggested a cricket be installed on the main cabin roof to shed rain and snow from the chimney, which the Committee agreed was necessary.

DEC Application Update:

Co-Chair Hunt reported that she spoke with George Costello of Costello Marine regarding the stabilization of Taylor's Island. The Committee agreed to involve Mr. Costello and invite him to visit Taylor's Island which Co-Chair Hunt will do.

Historic Structure Report:

Co-Chair Hunt reported that on November 24th she and John Fokine went out to Taylor's Island to measure for the elevation drawings he will be preparing.

Taylor's Island Foundation News:

Co-Chair Hunt reported that fifteen signature quilt blocks have been received from descendants of Francis Marion Smith. She also shared a photograph of the Luncheon for Twelve prepared by Harriet Reilly O'Halloran, which was one of the raffle prizes, that she will post on the Taylor's Island website.

Co-Chair Hunt suggested and the Committee discussed hosting a thank you event for the many volunteers who have contributed their time and other resources to Taylor's Island. A picnic/barbecue out on the island was suggested. She further reported that she followed up on John Picker's offer of using his snow scene photograph of Taylor's Island to have note cards printed.

Co-Chair Hunt reported that the agreement between the Town of Shelter Island and the Taylor's Island Foundation has been signed.

New Business:**Committee's Town Board Member Replacement:**

Co-Chair Hunt reported that in speaking with Supervisor Kilb regarding his replacement as Town Liaison to the Taylor's Island Committee, newly elected Councilman Glenn Waddington was suggested. Mr. Clark motioned that the Committee request Councilman Waddington to be appointed as the Town Liaison to the Taylor's Island Committee, which the Committee unanimously agreed, 5-0-0-2 absent.

Several members of the Committee agreed to attend the Town Board meeting scheduled for December 21st to thank Supervisor Kilb for all his help and support; and they also agreed to invite newly elected Supervisor Dougherty to attend the next Taylor's Island meeting.

2008 Meeting Dates:

The Committee chose meeting dates of February 26 and November 18 and also approved the other scheduled meeting dates as proposed for 2008. (Attached)

The Shelter Island Historical Society Fall 2007 Newsletter:

Co-Chair Hunt shared the announcement made by the SI Historical Society, in their Fall 2007 Newsletter, that Taylor's Island has been listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:48 AM.**Next Meeting:**

Tuesday, January 8, 2008

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