



**TOWN OF SHELTER ISLAND
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**Taylor's Island Preservation and Management Committee
March 11, 2008
Minutes**

Members Present: Co-Chair P.A.T. Hunt, Barbara Clark, Roni King, Town Liaison Councilman Glenn Waddington

Members Excused: Mike Laspia, Keith Clark, Councilman Ed Brown, Co-Chair Richie Surozenski

Opened meeting at 9:00 AM

The February 26, 2008 Minutes were approved as revised.

Old Business:

Grants:

Historic Structure Report:

Co-Chair Hunt reported that she left a telephone message for Traci Christian, our contact for NY State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, requesting the date of the Public Information Meeting at the Planting Fields Arboretum regarding the Environmental Protection Fund. She further reported that she telephoned Jean O'Connell to clarify what information she needs from the Historic Structure Report by the end of April, since the deadline for the HSR is the end of September, and was informed that the architectural data and recommendations sections are necessary for applying for the EPF.

Financial:

Co-Chair Hunt reported the figures for the accounts for February 2008: NY Class Account is \$78,988.37; Chase Business High Yield Savings Account is \$3,122.07; General Fund is \$2,000.

Update on Website:

Co-Chair Hunt reported there have been 5,033 visitors.

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

Co-Chair Hunt reported that she looked at a few pieces of circa 1940s furniture, a chair, small table, desk and chair, a wicker hamper, which have been offered to help furnish the Smith-Taylor Cabin. She further reported that she received a telephone call with another offer of furniture for the cabin which she'll also take a look at.

DEC Application Update:

Co-Chair Hunt reported that the surveyor's office mailed the survey with the wetlands designation on Friday to Jane Costello. She further reported that she gave Jane available dates and times for George to consider in arranging a visit to Taylor's Island with Committee members, and is waiting to hear back.

Historic Structure Report:

Co-Chair Hunt reported that she visited Taylor's Island with John Fokine and Zach Studenroth on Wednesday, March 5th for gathering additional information and photographs. John submitted the elevation drawings and said he wants to return to take additional measurements.

Taylor's Island Foundation News:**South Ferry Fund Raiser:**

The Committee reviewed and discussed the particulars regarding the South Ferry Cruise scheduled for Saturday evening, May 31, 2008, from 5:30PM – 8:30PM, with a rain date of June 7, 2008, from 1-4 PM, which will include light fare, soft beverages, wine, and music for 75 people, at a cost of \$60 per person.

Volunteer Gathering:

The Committee agreed that a good time to host this picnic/barbecue would be in September.

New Business:**Suggested Uses of Taylor's Island:**

Co-Chair Hunt handed out copies of a two page list of suggested uses for Taylor's Island. The list is compiled from conversations with Shelter Islanders, beginning in December 2005, as well as from guest responses at the August 15, 2006 Open House and the August 15, 2007 Kettle Clambake to a clipboard that was passed around with a sheet of paper entitled, "Please contribute your suggestions, comments, and vision for Taylor's Island..." Co-Chair Hunt asked the Committee to review the list, consider complementary uses and discuss at our next meeting.

Co-Chair Hunt said she plans on contacting Sue Siegelbaum, Chair of the Ram Island Association, regarding Taylor's Island.

The Committee discussed opening the Smith-Taylor Cabin to the public once a month, May through October, with a member of the Committee and/or Foundation welcoming visitors and acting as docent. Councilman Waddington suggested flying a special flag from the flag pole to let the public know when the cabin is open.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:56 AM**Next Meeting:**

Tuesday, April 8, 2008

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