



**TOWN OF SHELTER ISLAND
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**Taylor's Island Preservation and Management Committee
March 10, 2009
Minutes**

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

Invited Guest: Supervisor Jim Dougherty

Member Excused: Town Liaison: Councilman Ed Brown

Member Absent: Michael Laspia

Meeting opened at 9:08 AM with a moment of silence for Walter Lawson Brigham and Elmer (Sonny) W. Edwards III.

The February 10, 2009 Minutes were approved as corrected.

Old Business:

Grants:

NYSOPR&HP EPF/HP:

Co-Chair Hunt reported she still hasn't heard a word although it was reported at the February 10th Town Board Work Session that Grantwriter Jean O'Connell told the members of the Grant Committee, Christine Lewis, Laury Dowd and Peter Reich, during a telephone conference call that the new notification time is the end of March.

Future Grant to fund DEC Permit Work:

At the February 10th Town Board Work Session Councilwoman and Grant Committee Member Christine Lewis said Grantwriter Jean O'Connell mentioned during their telephone conference call that she thought some of the NYSOPRHP EPF/HP matching grant money intended for the Smith-Taylor Cabin could be used toward the NYS DEC permitted work.

Financial:

Co-Chair Hunt reported the figures for the accounts for February 28, 2009: NY Class Account is \$80,150.39; Chase Business High Yield Savings Account is \$3,806.54. General Fund is \$2,000. At Councilman Glenn Waddington's suggestion, Co-Chair Hunt will check with Town Attorney Laury Dowd for the residual shares materials folder.

Update on Website:

Co-Chair Hunt reported a total of 7,584 visitors and read the entry of one new website/email contact.

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

Co-Chair Hunt reported that 2008 budget money was secured for the installation of the new generator. There was discussion about the two floating docks, a new hot water heater, and refrigeration.

Update on Town Landing Designation Request:

Co-Chair Hunt said that comments at the WMAC meeting on February 2nd suggest that the process of creating an official record designating each of the Town Landings is a step the Town Board can take at any time. Permitting and funding of work on Taylor's Island can happen as it has for other Town Landings since an official record designating Town Landings does not exist for the Town Landings indicated on the Shelter Island Chamber of Commerce map.

Town Permit Application:

The public hearing held at the Town Board Meeting on Friday, February 6th granted Taylor's Island a town permit to do the work outlined in the NYS DEC permit.

Update on "shovel ready" infrastructure projects:

Co-Chair Hunt invited Supervisor Jim Dougherty to attend the Taylor's Island Preservation and Management Committee to give an update on his efforts to secure Federal Economic Recovery funding or other monies for the DEC permitted project on Taylor's Island.

Co-Chair Hunt shared her telephone call from Mark Copeland of Congressman Tim Bishop's Washington Office and the subsequent actions she took--filling out and submitting on line the FY2010 Appropriations Request Form and Governor Patterson's American Recovery and Reinvestment Act form. Co-Chair Hunt told Supervisor Dougherty she sees the funding for the DEC project as a continuation of the DEC permit process which she was involved in and as such wants to advocate directly for the funding and asked Supervisor Dougherty to support her in doing so. Supervisor Dougherty agreed and offered a conference call with Mark Copeland that day or as soon as possible.

Co-Chair Hunt asked Supervisor Dougherty about Cell Phone Tower revenues which he thought were divided with one half going to the Capital Fund, the other half going to the General Fund.

Supervisor Dougherty mentioned that 10 percent of the 2% money received is for stewardship. He suggested contacting Laury Dowd to see if the stewardship money set aside for 2% properties could be used for Taylor's Island, a property received as a gift.

Update on WMAC:

The March 2nd WMAC meeting was cancelled due to a snowstorm and not rescheduled due to a lack of a quorum. WMAC Liaisons Councilmen Brown and Reich will ask the WMAC to consider funding the Taylor's Island DEC permitted project at their April 6th meeting. The WMAC's recommendation will then be presented to the Town Board.

Co-Chair Hunt passed around her February 23rd letter to WMAC Chairman John Needham (attached) which included 27 petition pages with a total of 269 signatures for

the repair/restoration of the Taylor's Island bulkhead and the 2008 Taylor's Island Docent Days.

Thank You Letters to Former Committee Members/Liaisons

Co-Chair Hunt passed around letters sent to Roni King, Glenn Waddington and Alfred Kilb, Jr. thanking them for their service to the Taylor's Island Preservation and Management Committee.

TI Foundation News:

Summer Fundraising Event:

Committee members unanimously agreed that the Taylor's Island summer fundraising event is to be the second Saturday in August—the 8th this year.

Wellness Day on Taylor's Island:

Plans are underway for hosting a Wellness Day on Taylor's Island on Sunday, May 3rd.

Potomac Appalachian Trail Club's Cabins booklet:

The above booklet, received from Wade Badger who suggested it as a model for Taylor's Island, was passed around. Chris Hermann wrote a letter shortly after our Committee was formed also suggesting the Appalachian Trail accommodations as a model.

Essex Yacht Club:

The EYC is returning to Coecles Harbor and Taylor's Island and is planning to have hors d'oeuvres and a dinner buffet provided by a Shelter Island caterer.

One Day In History

The Shelter Island Historical Society invited the Taylor's Island Foundation to set up a table at their One Day In History event on Saturday, July 4th from 10 AM to 3 PM.

Docent Days:

Docent Days may begin in April if the weekend weather permits.

New Business:

Visit to Congressman Tim Bishop's Southampton Office:

Committee member Barbara "Buzz" Clark and Co-Chair Hunt are meeting Bishop staff member, Jane Finalborgo, at the Southampton Office early this afternoon to show and tell about Taylor's Island. They will be joined by a Southampton friend and Taylor's Island supporter.

Town Waterways Committee Letter:

Co-Chair Hunt shared the February 20, 2009 letter written by Peter Reich, addressed to Mooring Permit Holder, bulleting the Town Mooring Code requirements.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:14 AM.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 14, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

P.A.T. Hunt, Co-Chair
Taylor's Island Preservation and Management Committee