



**TOWN OF SHELTER ISLAND
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**Taylor's Island Preservation and Management Committee
June 15, 2010
Town Hall
Minutes**

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

Member Excused:

Member Absent: Michael Laspia

Meeting called to order: 9:03 AM

A lighted candle and moment of silence for Lt. Joe Theinert

The May 11, 2010 Minutes were accepted by Co-Chair Richie Surozenski and seconded by Kathy Gooding.

Old Business:

Grants:

NYSOPR&HP EPF/HP:

Kathy Gooding reported on the NYSOPR&HP Workshop held at the Planting Fields in Oyster Bay on Wednesday, June 9th. At the workshop Kathy met NYSOPR&HP staff members Traci Christian and Stacey Matson-Zuvic whose visit to the East End will be later this year. Co-Chair Hunt shared email correspondence with grant writer Tom Lajewski of J. O'Connell and Associates.

Appropriations:

Co-Chair Hunt shared an email from Senator Gillibrand regarding grants.

Bulkhead/Seawall repair/restoration:

Co-Chair Hunt reported the Taylor's Island bids were on the May 25th Town Board Work Session agenda. On June 1st there was more discussion on the two bids received, followed by a Special Meeting passing a resolution accepting the Costello Marine bid. Co-Chair Hunt shared a copy of the June 2nd Town letter awarding the bid, as well as the June 9th Town letter rescinding the bid. Atty. Laury Dowd is looking to meet with Alfred Kilb, Ed Brown, Mark Ketcham and Co-Chair Hunt to draft new bid specifications for Areas 3 and 4.

Financial Business—May 31, 2010:

Co-Chair Hunt reported:

NY Class Account balance is \$80,389.62; Chase Business High Yield Savings Account balance is \$4,399.27; General Fund is \$2,000.

Co-Chair Hunt spoke with Atty. Helen Rosenbloom about changing the address of the Taylor's Island residual shares and Helen said she would work on it.

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

Co-Chair Surozenski charged the battery and ran the generator, mowed the lawn and gave an update on the repair of the floating docks. Two new picnic tables are on Taylor's Island. The well water was tested on May 26th and we're awaiting the results.

Taylor's Island Exhibit Closing at the Town Hall Meeting Room:

On Friday, May 21st from 2:00-3:30 PM about 20 guests, including several artists whose work appeared in the exhibit, attended the Closing. Bev Walz took a photo which appeared in the May 27th *Shelter Island Reporter*.

Additional Old Business:

Carol Galligan extended an invitation from Edie Landeck for committee members to visit her seaside garden for landscaping ideas for Taylor's Island.

New Business:

Shelter Island School:

On Friday, June 4th twenty sixth graders and five adults kayaked to Taylor's Island, toured the Smith-Taylor Cabin, and had lunch at the two new picnic tables.

Riverhead ROTC:

On Saturday, June 5th the Riverhead ROTC kayaked to Taylor's Island with their instructor and Shelter Island resident, Peter McCarthy.

Taylor's Island Foundation News:

Taylor's Island Foundation Annual Meeting:

Co-Chair Hunt reported the Foundation had a lengthy Annual Meeting on Sunday, May 23rd at her home, to be followed by another meeting on Sunday, June 27th.

Site/Guest Use Rental Agreement/Contract:

Kathy Gooding and Co-Chair Hunt met on Monday, May 17th and prepared a draft which was emailed to Foundation members for their review and input. The Committee also agreed to give the draft to Town Attorney Laury Dowd for her review.

Shelter Island Historical Society Auction Item for One Enchanted Evening:

The Shelter Island Historical Society's One Enchanted Evening invitations have been mailed. Co-Chair Hunt passed around the invitation which lists Taylor's Island under the Live Auction. The copy reads, *Enjoy a boat ride to another era, an overnight stay for 2 with dinner and breakfast at the historic Smith-Taylor Cabin in Coecles Harbor.*

Mashomack-Coecles Harbor Association Meeting:

On Saturday, June 5th Board Member Julie Ben-Susan attended the Mashomack-Coecles Harbor Association Meeting at the home of Lynn and John Riordan and gave an update on the Smith-Taylor Cabin and Taylor's Island.

Update on Website:

Co-Chair Hunt shared statistics which include: in May there were 180 unique visitors with 810 page views, each visitor spent on average 2 minutes and 23 seconds on the

site, the longest visit was 35 minutes; after the home page, the top content is the virtual tour, followed by events, preservation and the gallery; from when the new site went up in January until June 14th there have been 1388 visits, 6791 page views, with an average time on site of 3 minutes and 38 seconds.

facebook:

Taylor's Island has 313 fans on facebook.

Senior Citizen Trip to Taylor's Island:

Co-Chair Hunt announced that this Friday, June 18, 2010, from 10:00 AM to 12:30 PM SISCA will be visiting Taylor's Island by land. Ten people have signed up and will meet and park in the Presbyterian Church parking lot and board the senior van for the trip to Taylor's Island.

Father's Day Kayak Trip to Taylor's Island:

Shelter Island Kayak Tours and the Taylor's Island Foundation have planned a Father's Day paddle out to Taylor's Island on Sunday, June 20th, beginning at the Burns Road Town Landing at 4:30 PM, returning a couple of hours later.

Meeting Adjourned: 10:12 AM.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, July 13, 2010

Respectfully submitted,

P.A.T. Hunt, Co-Chair

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