



**TOWN OF SHELTER ISLAND
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**Taylor's Island Preservation and Management Committee
July 13, 2010
Town Hall
Minutes**

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

Member Excused: Carol Galligan, Michael Laspia

Meeting called to order: 9:05 AM

The June 15, 2010 Minutes were accepted as revised by Co-Chair Richie Surozenski and seconded by Barbara Clark.

Old Business:

Grants:

NYSOPR&HP EPF/HP:

The grant application deadline was Monday, July 12, 2010. Co-Chair Hunt sent grant writer, Tom Lajewski, all the new information since last year's application, as well as information requested by Tom and information suggested by Kathy Gooding who attended the NYSOPR&HP Workshop at the Planting Fields in Oyster Bay. The total grant request is \$131,910. Co-Chair Hunt will share the completed grant application with committee members once she receives it.

Bulkhead/Seawall repair/restoration:

On June 17th Co-Chair Hunt measured and noted the materials used for Areas 1 and 2 in preparation for the new bid specifications for Areas 3 and 4. On June 23rd Co-Chair Hunt met with Ed Brown, Laury Dowd, Mark Ketchem, Alfred Kilb, and Peter Reich at the Highway Superintendent's office to draft new bid specifications for Areas 3 and 4 of the Taylor's Island DEC permit. The Public Notice to Bidders appeared on page 33 of the July 1, 2010 *Shelter Island Reporter*.

On July 12 Linda Cass of the Town Clerk's office reported five bid packets had been picked up by Amma Construction, Bi-County Construction, Chesterfield Associates, Costello Marine and Stout Construction. On Thursday, July 15th there is a mandatory pre-bid inspection visit by potential bidders to Taylor's Island from 7:30 to 10:00 AM. Mark Ketcham and Co-Chair Hunt will be on Taylor's Island to meet with the bidders.

Financial Business—June 30, 2010:

Co-Chair Hunt reported:

NY Class Account balance is \$80,401.91; Chase Business High Yield Savings Account balance is \$4,399.86; General Fund is \$2,000.

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

Committee Members discussed the canoe as signage, landing box, window screens, sheetrock removal in east bedroom, porch deck refinishing, mowing and trimming, floating docks, lawn mower, potential boat donation, plumbing repairs, refrigeration, wood panels for walls and ceiling of east bedroom, boulders from old Town Highway site to fill in gap created by storms where new bulkheading ends and old sea wall begins in the northeast corner of Taylor's Island.

Garden Tour:

Carol Galligan, Kathy Gooding and Co-Chair Hunt will make a date in August to accept Edie Landeck's invitation to tour her seaside garden of native plantings for landscaping ideas for Taylor's Island.

Shelter Island School:

Logan Kingston, Language Arts teacher, who was one of the teachers accompanying the sixth graders to Taylor's Island on June 4th wrote a letter to the Editor which appeared in the June 24, 2010 *Shelter Island Reporter*. Ms. Kingston also mailed a packet of individual letters the students wrote about their visit to Taylor's Island to Co-Chair Hunt and she shared these materials with committee members.

New Business:**Assemblyman Marc Alessi visits Taylor's Island:**

On Saturday, July 3rd Assemblyman Marc Alessi and his Chief of Staff Samantha Homan Vigliotta were welcomed to Taylor's Island by Committee and Foundation members, Barbara "Buzz" Clark, Julie Ben-Susan, Kathy Gooding, P.A.T. Hunt and Jim Polychron, as well as by Kathy's husband, Gordon, and Jim's sister, Penny. After touring the Smith-Taylor Cabin, Assemblyman Alessi suggested he co-sign a letter of support for our NYSOPR&HP grant application with District 4 Assemblyman Steven Englebright, Chair of the Assembly Committee on Tourism, Parks, Arts and Sports, which we received by our deadline of July 12th.

Friday Night Dialogue at the Shelter Island Library:

Co-Chair Hunt reported that Library Director Denise DiPaolo expressed an interest in scheduling a Taylor's Island presentation at the Library's Friday Night Dialogue in October. Co-Chair Hunt asked committee members for ideas and a slide show was suggested.

Channel 22:

Co-Chair Hunt asked members which of our meetings this year will be recorded by Channel 22 for the public's viewing and the November meeting was suggested.

Wikipedia:

Co-Chair Hunt reported she checked to see if there was a wikipedia entry for Taylor's Island on line and there was which she edited and asked committee members to take a look and suggest what more to include.

Slow Food East End:

Co-Chair Hunt spoke with Tullia Lamarzi, Board Member of Slow Food East End, and extended an invitation for their board of twelve to meet on Taylor's Island.

Shelter Island Nature Club:

Co-Chair Hunt spoke with Kenton van Boer about the newly formed S.I. Nature Club and extended an invitation for the group to paddle out and meet at Taylor's Island.

Taylor's Island Foundation News:**Taylor's Island Foundation Meeting:**

Co-Chair Hunt reported the Foundation had an additional meeting on Sunday, June 27th at her home following up on agenda items from the May 23rd Annual Meeting.

Site/Guest Use Rental Agreement/Contract:

The drafts of the daytime and overnight guest use rental agreements are works in progress.

Shelter Island Historical Society Auction Item for One Enchanted Evening:

The Shelter Island Historical Society's One Enchanted Evening is Saturday, July 24th. Julie Ben-Susan will attend and, along with Carol Galligan, share Taylor's Island information at a table the Historical Society has offered us.

Update on Website and facebook:

Co-Chair Hunt shared statistics which include: in June the website had 278 visitors who viewed 1,142 website pages. To date, Taylor's Island has 326 fans on facebook.

Senior Citizen Trip to Taylor's Island:

On Friday, June 18, 2010, fifteen seniors met at the Presbyterian Church parking lot at 10 AM and boarded the senior van, with Garth Griffin as driver, for their trip to Taylor's Island. The ladies toured the Smith-Taylor Cabin and grounds, ate lunch at the two new picnic tables provided by the Town Highway Department, and returned a couple of hours later. Co-Chair shared the photo and write-up that appeared in the June 24, 2010 *Shelter Island Reporter*.

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

Eleven kayakers joined Shelter Island Kayak Tours and the Taylor's Island Foundation for a Father's Day paddle out to Taylor's Island on Sunday, June 20th. Co-Chair Hunt passed around the June 24, 2010 *Shelter Island Reporter* photo and caption about three generations of the Gooding Family taking part in the paddle.

Docent Tours:

Co-Chair Hunt participated in a Shelter Island Kayak Tours paddle for Shelter Island businesses on June 29, 2010 and gave a tour of the Smith-Taylor Cabin. Co-Chair Hunt continues to give docent tours by request as well.

Kettle Clambake Fundraiser – Town of Shelter Island Era

Co-Chair Hunt and Committee members discussed plans for this year's event.

Meeting Adjourned: 10:10 AM.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, August 10, 2010

Respectfully submitted,

P.A.T. Hunt, Co-Chair

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