



**TOWN OF SHELTER ISLAND
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**Taylor's Island Preservation and Management Committee
March 8, 2011
Town Hall
Minutes**

Members Present: Co-Chairs P.A.T. Hunt and Richie Surozenski, Barbara Clark, Carol Galligan, Kathy Gooding

Members Excused: Keith Clark and Town Board Liaison Ed Brown

Member Absent: Michael Laspia

Meeting called to order: 9:03 a.m.

The February 8, 2011 Minutes were accepted by Co-Chair Surozenski and seconded by Kathy Gooding.

Old Business:

Grant:

NYSOPR&HP EPF/HP:

At last month's meeting the only outstanding issue, due on Friday, February 11th, from the list of Documentation to Submit for the State to Prepare the Agreement was Electronic Payments. The Town Bookkeeper Kathy Sullivan completed and sent the necessary paperwork. The Town is now set up to participate, and there will be a paper trail.

At a meeting on Tuesday, February 8th Kathy Gooding, P.A.T. Hunt, Al Kilb, Keith Clark and John Fokine met to go over the bid specifications and to reschedule a meeting on Taylor's Island to Saturday morning, February 10th for all those present and to include Michael Reilly, maker of custom windows and doors. Kathy Gooding and Co-Chair Hunt shared the suggestions made by Michael Reilly. Keith Clark and John Fokine also had information from Riverhead Building Supply.

Kathy Gooding and Co-Chair Hunt spoke about their meetings with John Fokine on Taylor's Island on Friday, March 4th and with Gordon Gooding on Saturday, March 5th regarding the roof. Keith Clark's comments on the roof were also shared.

On Monday, March 7th Co-Chair Hunt spoke with Bill Banks of the Building Department to tell him about the grant and to ask about the Department's role in the restoration. Bill asked whether the project had a non-jurisdiction form or a permit from the NYS DEC. Co-Chair Hunt said she would find out. A Town building permit for the work, with no fee involved because it's a Town-owned property, would be submitted and depending on the scope of the work, probably one permit form would suffice. Co-Chair Hunt will follow through.

Due at the end of this month is the Solicitation/RFP for Design Services. Traci Christian said the State does not have a form and to check with the Town. Co-Chair Hunt left a message for Laury Dowd regarding a sample Request for Proposals. Work remains on hold until the contract is signed.

Bulkhead/Seawall repair/restoration:

A copy of the letter from the Committee Co-Chairs to Mark Ketcham regarding the northwest cap damage was circulated. Co-Chair Hunt spoke with Mark who said he was going to take care of the repair. Co-Chair Hunt asked Mark to please let Stout Construction know what happened. If Stout bids on future projects here, they should know about the damage. Mark said he would inform Stout.

Mark also said some of the boulders found at the old highway barn were taken out to the Island, a bunch by the west bulkhead, a smaller bunch at the east bulkhead

Financial Business—February 28, 2011:

Co-Chair Hunt reported: New York Class Account balance is \$80,488.48; Chase Business High Yield Savings Account is \$4,754.51.

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

Co-Chair Surozenski spoke with George Costello regarding two new floating docks. On March 9th Co-Chair Hunt spoke with Paul Romanelli of Suffolk Security in response to his offer to possibly equip the Cabin with a fire/security system, as well as a public web cam. Paul will research the power feasibility and get back in touch.

A February 18th email from Senator Kristen Gillibrand regarding Appropriations stated there is a moratorium on earmarks. The Committee agreed we are all set and have our work cut out for us with the NYSOPR&HP Matching Grant award.

Kathy Gooding clarified the relationship of Taylor's Island and the Long Island North Shore Heritage Area; she reported that Shelter Island is considered part of the South Shore. The LINSHA focus is on the land north of Route 25.

New Business:

Suffolk County Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation:

Kathy Gooding was invited by Supervisor Dougherty, at the recommendation of Councilman Ed Brown, to serve as a Town Representative with the Suffolk County Department of Parks, Recreation and Preservation. Kathy has accepted, will be advised of their activities and report back to the Committee. She was approved by the Town Board for the position the previous Friday.

Taylor's Island Foundation News:

Update on Website and facebook:

For the month of February our website had 99 visits with 358 page views. To date Taylor's Island has 370 fans on facebook, where there's a new posting of photos of the ice boats on Coecles Harbor with Taylor's Island in the background.

A researcher from Belgium wrote via the website looking for information/photos regarding "S.G. Taylor took Albert Einstein for a cruise on his yacht d'Artagnan" at the

end of August 1934. Co-Chair Hunt forwarded the inquiry to descendants of Mr. Taylor's family and friends with no positive results.

Local historians suggested checking the Mattituck-Laurel Public Library which has microfiche of the Suffolk Times, going back to the 1930s and the Traveler Watchman. Carol Galligan accepted the task of following through to see what, if any, further information could be found.

Scout Group:

Co-Chair Hunt to check with the Town Clerk's office regarding a request by Trish Damuck of Connecticut to plan a scout kayak trip to the Island, with camping, in the fall.

The next meeting date is scheduled for April 12th.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:47 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Galligan
Taylor's Island Preservation and Management Committee