



**TOWN OF SHELTER ISLAND
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**Taylor's Island Preservation and Management Committee
August 9, 2011
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 Absent: Michael Laspia

Meeting called to order: 9:02 a.m.

A motion to accept the minutes of July 12, 2011 was made by Co-Chair Richie Surozenski and seconded by Kathy Gooding. The minutes were accepted.

Old Business:

Grant:

NYSOPR&HP EPF/HP:

Co-Chair Hunt and Kathy Gooding reported on their meeting with Chris Fokine at his office on Monday, July 18, at 1:00 PM which included discussion of the roof, chimney, northeast corner of the cabin, tower and flat roof on the east bedroom.

Co-Chair Hunt left a voice mail message for Mary Wilson on Monday, August 8th, asking for an update on the building permit and the DEC.

Bulkhead/Seawall repair/restoration:

Co-Chair Hunt and Alfred Kilb, Jr. met with Mark Ketcham at his office on Wednesday, July 20, at 10:00 AM, to discuss plans for completing our NYS DEC permit, Areas 5 and 6. On August 3rd Alfred checked out materials and brought back information/drawings, which have been scanned, for determining the length, miters, etc. of the material to be used for delineating the kayak landing area.

Financial Business—July 31, 2011:

Co-Chair Hunt reported: New York Class Account balance is \$80,509.11 at 0.03% average daily rate and average annualized yield; Chase Business High Yield Savings Account is \$6,922.23 at an annual percentage yield earned this period of 0.10%.

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

Materials and equipment for refinishing the porch deck are out at the Cabin. Lawn equipment repair and purchase were discussed, as well as minor repairs to the dock ramp and Cabin.

New Business:**SI Historical Society House Tour:**

Co-Chair Hunt passed around the handout, Houses by the Sea – July 23, 2011, each tour participant received which mentioned “historic Taylor’s Island” in the description of 5.) Edie Landeck residence. She also shared a conversation regarding an organization planning to come to Shelter Island to document the interior of the Pridwin and Sylvester Manor, with an interest in doing the same for the Smith-Taylor Cabin.

Shelter Island Reporter:

The two-part series on Taylor’s Island, written by Carol Galligan, appeared in the *Shelter Island Reporter* on July 28th, along with an editorial, and on August 4th. Committee members expressed their gratitude to Carol for sharing her research and writing about Cedar/Taylor’s Island with our community.

SI Chamber of Commerce Art Show and Craft Fair:

This event, which includes a Taylor’s Island table of information in the Shelter Island section, is scheduled for Saturday, August 27, from 10-5, at the SI School Grounds. Co-Chair Hunt asked committee members for their ideas and availability that day. Carol Galligan offered to participate.

Taylor’s Island Foundation News:**Update on Website and facebook:**

For the month of July our website had 416 visits with 1,371 page views. To date Taylor’s Island has 392 fans on facebook.

Boston Whaler:

Clark’s Marine donated their labor to replace the bilge pump. Shelter Island residents and their guests, as well as vacationing families who phone for docent tours are being picked up at the Congdon Road Town Dock and transported to Taylor’s Island.

Appeal Letter:

To date the appeal letter has brought in 96 responses. P.A.T. Hunt will request a “Meet the Match” report from the Foundation Treasurer and share it next month.

Captain Ed Clark, Jr.’s gift of a Piping Plover perched on driftwood:

At Louise Clark’s suggestion, Captain Ed Clark, Jr.’s gift to the Foundation is pictured on the Kettle Clambake poster. Images of the piping plover and information on submitting a sealed bid, which includes a minimum bid of \$500 and a buy it now price of \$5400, are on our website and facebook page, as well as in an email to our Friends of Taylor’s Island list.

SI Historical Society’s One Enchanted Evening:

At the July 16th Shelter Island Historical Society’s One Enchanted Evening, for a second year, an overnight on Taylor’s Island was auctioned off. Co-Chair Hunt shared conversations she had with Janalyn Travis–Messer, President of the SI Historical Society Board, at the conclusion of the Event, as well as two days later at the Havens House. The highest bidder was Penelope Moore with a bid almost double that of last year.

Shelter Island Public Library Tour:

On Friday, July 22nd, Kathy Gooding and Co-Chair Hunt greeted a group of 18 library patrons who boarded a Town van which transported them from the library for a walk out the causeway. All returned the same way except for Gladys Brigham and her neighbor who went back by boat. Co-Chair Hunt shared Gladys' thank you note and photograph, as well as Library Director Denise DiPaolo's thank you letter mentioning "...making this field trip an annual event..."

Marine Visit:

On Monday, July 25th the Foundation hosted an overnight stay for a Marine of Bravo Company and his wife who were on Shelter Island visiting a friend who also served in Afghanistan.

Shelter Island Historical Society's Sundays in the Barn Series:

On Sunday, July 31 at 2 PM Co-Chair Hunt presented on Taylor's Island with the archival and current slide show and film footage in the Havens House Barn. The dozen or so people attending were from the North and South Forks, as well as Shelter Island.

SI Historical Society's One Day in History:

Harriet Reilly O'Halloran, Julie Ben-Susan, Barbara "Buzz" Clark, and P.A.T. Hunt shared information on Taylor's Island and the historic Smith-Taylor Cabin at this event on Saturday, August 6th, from 10-3.

Kettle Clambake:

Preparations for this fundraising event to be held Saturday, August 13, 2-5 PM, were discussed:

50th Birthday Party:

On Saturday, August 20th, from 11-2, approximately 45 kayakers are coming to Taylor's Island for a 50th birthday picnic lunch. A docent tour will be part of their visit.

Slow Food East End:

On Sunday, August 21st a group of about 10 kayakers will picnic lunch on Taylor's Island and tour the Cabin. Shelter Island resident Tullia Limarzi is planning the visit.

The next meeting date is scheduled for Tuesday, September 13.

Meeting Adjourned: 10:10 AM

Respectfully submitted,

P.A.T. Hunt

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