



**TOWN OF SHELTER ISLAND
SHELTER ISLAND
NEW YORK**

**Taylor's Island Preservation and Management Committee
September 13, 2011
Town Hall
Minutes**

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

Member Excused: Town Board Liaison Ed Brown

Member Absent: Michael Laspia

Meeting called to order: 9:02 AM

A motion to accept the minutes of August 9, 2011 was made by Carol Galligan and seconded by Kathy Gooding with the following addition:

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.

The minutes were accepted.

Old Business:

Grant:

NYSOPR&HP EPF/HP:

Co-Chair Hunt presented the fully executed copy of the Agreement to the committee which she received by mail on September 8. Town Attorney Laury Dowd also received a copy. Theresa Montant will not be available to help with the grant, so a substitute for her must be found. The person should be involved in the public works office. Various possibilities were mentioned. Co-Chair Hunt and Kathy Gooding will meet with Supervisor Jim Dougherty and Laury Dowd to see who they suggest.

On August 31 Co-Chair Hunt met with Building Permits Coordinator Mary Wilson to fill out and sign a Town of Shelter Island Building Permit Application. The permit has been issued and was passed around to Committee members.

William Knight, who does paint analysis, reported that the Instant Lead Testing revealed no lead and it is his opinion that the paint looked at was made before lead was introduced into paint and after lead was removed from paint (about 1978). Co-Chair Hunt will be back in touch with him regarding color.

Bulkhead/Seawall repair/restoration:

On September 10 Alfred Kilb, Chester Peet and Co-Chair Hunt went out to the Island to measure and lay out the kayak landing area in Areas 5 and 6 of the DEC permit. The

measurements will be put into a CAD (computer-assisted drawing) program. Once the materials are made, the area where they are to be placed will be prepared.

Financial Business—August 31, 2011:

Co-Chair Hunt reported: New York Class Account balance is \$80,510.67 which includes interest of \$1.56; Chase Business High Yield Savings Account is \$7,044.12 which includes a deposit of \$121.26 and interest of \$0.63.

2012 Budget:

Kathy Gooding reported that she and Co-Chair Hunt met with Supervisor Jim Dougherty on September 8 regarding the Committee's proposed 2012 budget. The Supervisor is recommending two budget item cuts: Equipment from \$3,500 in 2011 to \$1,000 for 2012 and Office Supplies and Miscellaneous from \$3,500 in 2011 to \$2,000 for 2012. The tentative dates for our Committee to appear before the Town Board regarding our proposed budget are the first two weeks in October.

Committee members discussed equipment purchases and floating dock replacements. Keith Clark will follow up with Costello Marine. Co-Chair Surozenski will report back on purchasing a lawn mower and brought up the need for storage either on the Island or ashore. Committee members also discussed replacing the flag pole for safety and maintenance reasons and in time for the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) visit on Flag Day, June 14, 2012.

Kathy Gooding summarized the discussion as follows: the direction is to spend the money now since it won't be available next year. It should be spent or contracted for before the end of December. In relationship to the budget it is hoped to spend dock repair money for this year and get some estimates for future years and to purchase a lawn mower and perhaps a temporary shed as well as a new flag pole from our Miscellaneous monies. Feedback will be required by the first week of October.

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

Committee members discussed additional materials needed for refinishing the porch which include extension cords and the purchase of a shop-vac. Some members suggested hiring a professional to do the job and will get quotes for doing the work.

New Business:

Community Forum at the National Preservation Conference:

Co-Chair Hunt mentioned a forum to be held in Buffalo next month, "Historic Communities and America's Great Outdoors" for Preserve America Communities, a designation Shelter Island has. Taylor's Island incorporates preservation and outdoor recreation although our participation in this event isn't a priority since our time and attention are currently directed towards administering the NYSOPR&HP Grant.

Taylor's Island Foundation News:

Update on Website and facebook:

For the month of August our website had 528 visits with 1,951 page views. To date Taylor's Island has 397 fans on facebook.

Boston Whaler:

The bilge pump failed and was replaced with a new one by Bridg Hunt. Keith Clark reported a problem with the engine stalling.

Appeal Letter:

To date the appeal letter has brought in 114 responses for a total of \$23,785 which includes the anonymous high bid of \$5,000 for Captain Ed Clark's gift of a piping plover carving. The cost of sending the appeal letter was \$1,235 for postage; printing cost \$532.

Kettle Clambake:

The Annual Kettle Clambake took in \$10,100 in ticket sales with expenses totaling \$2,264.50. Income was more and expenses were less than in 2010.

Co-Chair Surozenski suggested buying five tables, four for serving, one for greeting guests, and fifty chairs this year and another fifty next year, which would be easier than borrowing and transporting them.

50th Birthday Celebration:

On August 20th a kayak trip and picnic lunch on Taylor's Island was attended by approximately 45 people. Their three hour visit included a docent tour of the Cabin.

Slow Food East End:

Co-Chair Hunt shared a Slow Food email newsletter entry entitled "Taylor's Island Snail Picnic Nets Five New Members" telling about the August 21st kayak trip, docent tour and picnic lunch on Taylor's Island.

Wedding Rehearsal Barbecue:

On Friday, September 30th a Shelter Island couple is planning their wedding rehearsal barbecue for about 30 family members and friends.

DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution) Visit:

Jean Dickerson of the Shelter Island Chapter of the DAR is planning a visit to Taylor's Island on Thursday, June 14th and would like to include a ceremony commemorating Flag Day, possibly with a flag that's flown at the White House.

The next meeting date is scheduled for Tuesday, October 11.

Meeting Adjourned: 10:10 AM

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Galligan

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