



Approved Minutes February 10, 2011
TNH Law Library 7:30- 9:30

MANHASSET BAY PROTECTION COMMITTEE

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Attendees: Charles Comer, Pasqua Dziedul, Vahan Tanel, Jeff Zeh, Fred Pollack, Kevin Braun, Megan Loeb,

Adoption of the Minutes of January 13, 2010 Moved: Jeff Zeh Seconded: Vahan Tanel

New Business:

Welcome, introductions:

Legislator Meeting: HHPC and MBPC reached out to Legislators Judi Bosworth, Wayne Wink and Diane Yatuaro to discuss impact of County finances on Committees. Thanks to Legislator Bosworth's office, a meeting was held on January 24. Legislators Wink and Bosworth, their staff, Minority Counsel Darcy, Councilman Pollack, Sea Cliff Mayor Kennedy, Bill Clemency of Flower Hill, Trustee Kay Ullman and Pasqua Dziadul of Sands Point, Eric Swensen of HHPC and JWP attended. Concerns about the state of the County budget, rumors of cuts that might include the Committees, and the impact of a NIFA takeover. The Legislators were very receptive but explained that they were in unknown territory with a NIFA takeover. Eric Swensen has also reached out to Majority leader Schmidt for a meeting.

2010-2011 MS4 reports: JWP asked on the Phase 2 listserve if the pervious year's form would be in use this year and got a response from DEC Albany office that the same form would be used and should be up on the web soon, with only dates altered.

Upcoming Festivals: March 5 History and Nature Festival at Port Washington library 1-4pm (JWP) LIS Day event April 2-3 or 9-10, Earth Day education at Clark Gardens, (JWP) May 14-15 Eco Fest, Clark Botanical Gardens, (Volunteers needed) June 5 HarborFest, Port Washington Town Dock (Volunteers needed).

LISS Futures Fund grant's Due March 18: <http://longislandsoundstudy.net/about/grants/lis-futures-fund/>

Workshops Feb 16 & 18,

http://www.nfwf.org/AM/Template.cfm?Section=Charter_Programs_List&TEMPLATE=/CM/ContentDisplay.cfm&CONTENTID=18552

Eligible Activities

Eligible activities for funding within each of the five grant categories are described below. Proposals that do not fit within eligible activities will not be considered for funding.

» Stormwater and Nonpoint Source Pollution Control: Projects to reduce pollutant loads and hydrologic impacts. The activities may address water quality and water quantity.

• Advance alternative systems to promote infiltration of stormwater by installing vegetated swales or rain gardens, replacing lawns and impervious surfaces with a native vegetative buffer

and implementing on-site systems for retention and treatment of stormwater, infiltration trenches, greenstreets, on-site systems or wet ponds, pervious pavement, pavers, or other surfaces, etc.

- Reduce the impacts of hydrologic modification, specifically the alteration of stream flow by human activities such as by reducing stream channelization, dams, etc.
- Retrofitting of catch basins and storm drains to remove pollutants from stormwater.
- Projects to reduce or eliminate residential landscaping and the use of lawn fertilizer and cosmetic pesticides.

Clear (Center for Land use Education And Research) Upcoming Webinars:

<http://clear.uconn.edu/webinars/CLEARseries/index.htm>

Affordable Housing, Rain gardens, Google Maps, GPS, Brownfields

Old Business:

Social Marketing workshop: LISS offered a seminar on social marketing with national expert Jack Wilbur on January 13. JWP was not able to attend, but was able to have a conference call with Mr. Wilbur on Jan 14. The Boaters Education grant was discussed and Mr. Wilbur gave tips and ideas on how to make it successful.

DEC Design Manual update Seminars: Now 2 dates, March 1 and March 2 in Babylon.

Boater Pollution Prevention Grant: Still trying to get financial docs straightened out. Have contacted some of the potential vendors to let them know the grant has been received.

DOS Signage Grant: A date for a meeting with the designer, Paul Singer, is set for Thursday Feb 17. JWP worked on a new topic, The Changing Shoreline. JWP is working on setting up a meeting with local historian, Ellie Shodell, and the Cow Neck Historic Center.

Munsey Park Rep: JWP contacted Village clerk who will discuss appointing a new rep at next village meeting.

Municipal Reports:

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Ecological Commission: This month's speaker was Chris Murphy from the Great Neck WPCD speaking on their biodiesel project. They started it as a small trial and have been successfully making fuel with oil collected from 3 restaurants since 2007. They run trucks, tractors, and generators and also supply the GN parks district with some fuel. A trail at SWMA was discussed. The Commission will have a speaker on an end of pipe insert that removes pathogens at the March meeting. I recommended that a trial be placed in HH where the pathogen TMDL is already in place and put Eric Swenson in touch with Councilman Dwyer's office.

BayWalk: Hired a consultant. Contracts have to be signed before it gets started up.

Blue Ways trail: Consultant has created conceptual designs. Next steering committee meeting should be set up soon.

Mill Pond: PW Fire Dept. held an ice rescue safety drill on the pond.

Next Meeting: Thursday, March 10.

Meeting dates for 2011: Mark your Calendars!

Proposed Meeting schedule for 2011: 1/13, 2/10, 3/10, 4/14, 5/12, 6/9 Boat trip?, 7/14, AUGUST NO MEETING, 9/8, 10/13, 11/17 MOVED TO AVOID TOWN BUDGET HEARING, 12/8.

