



Manhasset Bay Protection Committee

*Working cooperatively to improve water quality in
Manhasset Bay*

Final Minutes April 12, 2012 Meeting

Attendees: Jeff Bass, Bill Clemency, Charles Comer, Pasqua Dziadul, Nora Haagenon, Ray Herbert, Don Parker, Mal Nathan, Joel Ziev, Kevin Braun, JWP

Adoption of the Minutes of January 12, 2011 Moved: Charles Comer Seconded: Bill Clemency

New Business:

Welcome, introductions:

MS4 reports: MBPC report form emailed out, along with Third Party Certification and MBPC accomplishments.

June Boat trip: Doodle Poll is set up for dates, Monday 6/11, Tuesday 6/27 Wednesday 6/28, leaving at 6:30pm and returning 8:30pm. Those are high tide dates that are available.

Festivals: Earth Day April 20; EcoFest May 5-6; HarborFest June 3. Need volunteers for EcoFest and HarborFest. Earth Day expects 200 4th graders to participate.

Mission Statement: (see above as sample) The Committee adopted a mission statement years ago, but it is has been lost, and we need to update that to go with our new logo.

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Working Together to Keep the Bay Clean/Beautiful

Concepts: Working cooperatively, clean water, enhance quality of life, ecosystem, promote recreational opportunities and access, enhance the environment for people and wildlife. Education and outreach.

LI Futures Fund Grant: Add on to CESSPOOL, which would provide hands on training in septic inspection to municipal and private inspectors. Need resolution to participate, as JWP hours are part of the match. A number of municipalities, like Plandome are already moving people from cesspools to septics, which are more efficient. But septics require more maintenance. Moved: Jeff Bass Second: Nora Haagenon

PW Nautical Committee Boat Tours: The PWNC has 8 tours currently scheduled for June and July, and would like MBPC participation.

Outreach to new Mayors and representatives: The Village of Flower Hill has a new Mayor and board as does Plandome Heights. Plandome Manor rep Vahan Tanal has stepped down from the board of Trustees. The Village of Manorhaven Mayor has resigned; their election is likely to be contested in June.

Kayak Run: July 21/storm date 7/22. Sponsored by the Town and Port Washington Community Chest. Helpful if the villages let people know. Ask Great Neck Park District to outreach, has lots of kayakers. Outreach to the permit holders of Kayak racks at Manorhaven via Parks.

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Old Business:

BlueWays Trails: Kevin Braun presented the draft of the Blueways Trail map for kayaks and other small human propelled craft. It will connect to the Town of Oyster Bay Blueways trail, which starts in Hempstead Harbor. Consultant is Nelson, Pope and Voorhis. Meeting with steering committee this week was last round of comments. Com. of Public safety proposing a digital kiosk at Town Dock which would contain this information.

CESSPOOL Grant: Working with Hofstra Students to develop media outreach campaign. Still waiting for contract, but it should be coming soon. The Futures Fund grant will add on inspection training.

Great Neck VOA: Presentation on April 24 with Eileen Keenan. Thanks to Jeff Bass for arranging this. Also exchanging emails with Warren Tackenberg, Executive Director of the NC VOA on setting up a presentation, November 13.

PWL Nautical Committee Event: Recreation on Manhasset Bay, April 26, 7-9pm. JWP will be giving a brief keynote PowerPoint on the Bay and have display. Please show your support. Pump out boat operator will be there.

Green Infrastructure Conference: Thursday June 21, Brookhaven National Lab. Brookhaven has agreed to host the event. We are working in conjunction with the Nassau and Suffolk SWCD's HHP, OBCSHPC, Sea Grant, and Suffolk County Cornell Cooperative Extension. Several major sponsors have already signed on; Nelson Pope and Voorhis and Cashin Associates, and applications for vendor booths have been received.

Interpretive Signage: The three signs have been shipped and will be ready to install. Need to plan press event. Sometime in May? coordinate with Supervisor and Kevin.

Grant updates: Futures Fund: All items for distribution have been purchased, and the professional spill kit for the Town Dock has arrived. Bilge socks will be given out at Nautical Committee event.

Municipal Reports:

Stannards Brook Park: Grand opening set for Saturday, May 19th 11am

Baxter Estates: Put County on notice that the Village has serious issues with sedimentation basin, which is full of debris, and needs to be cleaned out.

Great Neck: Progress is being made on the Sewage treatment plant, but it is behind schedule. When closer to completion, very high tech facility on the east coast when done, will offer tours. Was scheduled to be on line by Dec 2013.

Town of North Hempstead: About 90% through with new pump out boat grant, will probably have it by this season. Town will have to put in about 20K but the rest comes from the Environmental Facilities Corp.

Boat launch weight rating has changed from 150 to 180 (average adult weight has gone up) which will affect passenger numbers that the club launches and other craft can carry.

NC S&WCD is sponsoring an art contest, food and wine fund raiser. June 14 at Old Bethpage Village Restoration. Very affordable tickets. JWP will send out a flier.

Power Squadron will be setting up a program to give safety inspections and issue coast guard stickers. Will be available to municipalities who have marinas or mooring fields. Also one for kayaks, to make sure they have the correct equipment.

Move to adjourn 8:45

Next Meeting: Thursday May 10

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Proposed 2012 dates, 2nd Thursday: 4/12, 5/10, JUNE BOAT TRIP, 7/12, NO AUGUST, 9/13 (Rosh Hashanah is 9/17), 10/11, 11/15 (moved to avoid Town budget Hearing), 12/13

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