



Manhasset Bay Protection Committee

Final Minutes: February 25, 2021, 7:30pm

Zoom Video Conference

Attendance: Bob Keane (Chairman, Port Washington North), Dan Fucci (Nassau Co), Nora Haagenon (Mayor, Baxter Estates), Kevin Braun (Town of North Hempstead), Claire Dorfman (Flower Hill), Jill Monoson (Thomaston), Jennifer Wilson-Pines (Manorhaven), Rebecca Chu (Kensington), Mike Malloy (Baxter Estates), Janet D. Lavin (Assemblymember Sillitti's office), Stephen Klyce, Samantha Wilder (Intern), Sarah Deonarine (Director)

Meeting was called to order at 7:35pm with a quorum in attendance.

Note: Action items are in **yellow highlight**. Motions are underlined.

Discussion & Motion points:

1. Jill Monoson made a motion to approve the meeting transcription by MGR reporting at a cost of \$4.45 per page, not to exceed \$600. Jennifer Wilson-Pines seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.
2. Nora Haagenon made a motion to adopt the minutes of January 21, 2021. Kevin Braun seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.
3. Jennifer Wilson-Pines made a motion to finalize the 2021 Inter-Municipal Agreement (IMA) and cover letter for distribution to all member municipalities for signature. Jill Monoson seconded. There was a brief discussion about the changes to the IMA and cover letter. In the end, all were in favor and the motion carried.
4. The Seabin discussion and vote was tabled until the Town Department of Public Safety can give input. **Deonarine will also estimate O&M costs.**
5. The Committee discussed the annual Boat tour and felt that June is too soon given the timeline for Covid vaccinations. The Committee will reconsider later in the spring for a possible September boat tour.

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6. Arbor Day: The Village of Baxter Estates will be doing a seed distribution on the afternoon Arbor Day, which is Friday, April 30th, and they have invited MBPC to participate. The seed packets are not just for Village residents, but for anyone who came by as a way to promote environmental awareness. Additionally, Baxter Estates was just named a Tree City USA. Given the timing (2 – 4pm or 3 – 5pm), a beach clean-up wouldn't be possible (high tide is right at 2:45pm), but the Committee agreed to send Deonarine to have an educational table and include information on self-reporting a beach clean-up.

7. The oil spill discussion off East Shore Rd earlier in the week turned out to be a hydraulic fluid leak and was not as large an issue as originally thought.

Updates & Municipal Updates:

- The 2021 annual dues are coming in steadily.
- Nassau County was able to repair the educational sign that was on Baxter Pond and just re-installed it to its original location.
- As a reminder: the MS4 reporting year ends March 9th
- DEC Water quality monitoring grant – The Committee received and gave comments on the QAPP from DB, but has not yet received the DUAR. It was recommended that **Deonarine give DB a deadline**, especially since the grant ends at the end of this year.
- Water Quality Improvement Plan (DOS): The Town has released our RFP to select a contractor to develop the WQIP. The RFP closes on March 25th.
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Nassau County (Dan Fucci): The Baxter Pond sediment basin will be dredged out within next month or two. The sediment basin is prior to the pond: Baxter Brook goes into the basin, then there's a spillway into the pond.

Upcoming meetings and events:

- Next meeting: March 18
- April 15, June 17
- Virtual Joint Protection Committee May 20

Dan Fucci made motion to adjourn at 8:22pm.

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