



Manhasset Bay Protection Committee

Final Minutes: June 17, 2021, 7:30pm

Remote meeting

Welcome & Introductions

Attendance: Bob Keane (Chairman, Port Washington North), Jill Monoson (Thomaston), Tom Lang (Plandome Manor), Dianne Sheehan (Plandome Heights), Kevin Braun (Town of North Hempstead), Nora Haagenson (Mayor, Baxter Estates), Annie Mendelson (Great Neck), Mike Ertel (Sands Point), Rebecca Chu (Kensington), Gary Lewandowski (Flower Hill, alternate), Mike Malloy (Baxter Estates, alternate), Samantha Wilder (Intern), Stephen Klyce, Janet Levine (Assemblymember Sillitti's office), Mary Arnold (DEC), Sarah Deonarine (Director)

Meeting was called to order at 7:30pm with a quorum in attendance.

Note: Action items are in **yellow highlight**. *Motions are in italicized underline.*

Discussion & Motion points:

1. *Jennifer Wilson-Pines made a motion to approve two meeting transcriptions (May 20th and June 17th, 2021) by MGR reporting at a cost of \$4.45 per page, not to exceed \$800 total.* Kevin Braun seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.
2. *Mike Ertel made a motion to adopt the minutes of April 15, 2021 as amended.* Kevin Braun seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.
3. *Mike Ertel made a motion to adopt the minutes of May 20, 2021.* Dianne Sheehan seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.
4. The Committee discussed 2021-2022 meeting dates and noted that meetings will likely be moving back to in-person this fall. *Nora Haagenson made a motion to set the fall meeting dates as presented and amended: 2021: September 23, October 14, November 4; 2022: January 20, February 17, March 24, April 28, May 19, June 16.* Dianne Sheehan seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.
5. The Committee discussed the Fall 2021 Beach Clean-up and decided on September 25th rain or shine. **Deonarine will draft fliers ASAP and send out for distribution.**

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6. The Committee briefly discussed hosting the annual boat tour this fall, but the overwhelming feeling was that, with the pandemic, it was still too soon to do so.
7. The member representatives had been working on a letter to Villages about the dues structure set in the IMA and why it would remain the same, this was in response to an inquiry by the Village of Kensington. Mike Ertel made a motion to send the letter just to Kensington as amended. Kevin Braun seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.
8. Deonarine gave a quick update on the Water Quality Improvement Plan (DOS). Three proposals were received, two of which rose to the top. The sub-committee is currently reviewing them. When they are ready to make their recommendation, the full Committee may be called into a quick “emergency” meeting over the summer in order to keep the grant moving (instead of waiting until the fall).

Updates & Municipal Updates:

- The Long Island Clean-Water Vendor Fair will be held July 14th, 11am – 2pm (rain date, July 15) at Fireman’s Park in Oyster Bay.
- 2021 Dues update: still waiting on more payments.
- IMA: still waiting on more signatures.
- DEC Water quality monitoring: Deonarine is working on the first reimbursement request for this grant, but it is unlikely that we will be able to take full advantage of the grant.
- Seabin: Deonarine is anticipating it to be put in the water soon.

Village of Baxter Estates (Nora Haagenson): Nassau County is currently dredging the sedimentation basin. The whole pond isn’t part of this. The last time it was dredged may be as far back as 1999, but dredging the whole pond is not imminent. Nancy Comer is President of Baxter Pond Foundation.

Nora Haagenson made a motion to adjourn 8:20pm

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