

MEETING OF APRIL 23, 2018
OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE FREEHOLDERS AND COMMONALTY
OF THE TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON

Present: Francis Bock, Trustee Clerk
Bill Taylor, Deputy Clerk
Rick Drew, Deputy Clerk
John Aldred
Brian Byrnes
Dell Cullum
Jim Grimes
Susan McGraw Keber
Susan Vorpahl

Also Present: Christopher Carillo, Trustee Attorney
Arlene Tesar, Trustee Secretary
Christopher Walsh
Dr. Christopher Gobler
Francesca Rheanon
Si Kinsella
Scott Dobriner
Rod Richardson
Charles Bowman
Elizabeth Halliday
Sara Davison

The meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance at approximately 6:30 p.m.

Roll call was taken by Ms. Tesar, Trustee Secretary.

Dr. Christopher Gobler gave an in- depth power point presentation to the Board explaining the results of the water monitoring done in Trustee waters last year. He identified problem areas and made remediation suggestions. He also identified areas that are currently closed to shell fishing by the DEC that he felt had the potential to be re-opened. His entire presentation is available on our website by clicking the video link or on ltveh.org.

Si Kinsella spoke to the Trustees about some of the concerns he has about the proposed DWW South Fork Wind Farm. He noted the electricity produced by the Wind Farm may not be enough to handle East Hampton's peak demand in the summer. He also mentioned that the price per kilowatt hour that has been negotiated between the PSEG and DWW is being called a "trade secret" and is not being disclosed to the public. The cost of wind power is coming down and Mr. Kinsella feels that East Hampton should be able to take advantage of the lower rates being charged and not be tied into a higher priced deal made several years ago. Mr. Kinsella also wants information from DWW regarding their South Fork Export Cable. He wanted to know if they are designing it to be able to bring in more than the 90 megawatts.

Scott Dobriner from Inter-Science Research Associates spoke regarding the application of LWJ, LLC (the Estate of Anthony Duke) for bluff restoration, bulkhead removal and bulkhead construction at 180 Springy Banks Road. The Three Mile Harbor Committee is following up with Brian Frank to get feedback on the Town's position on this project.

Rod Richardson reported that on April 21st, the day of Dell Cullum's Shoreline Sweep, he paddled over to Hicks Island to pick up trash. When he arrived at the Island he saw signs saying no trespassing. He took photos of the signs and passed them out to the Board. He also took photos of the amount of trash he collected. He asked the Trustees to look into who put up the no trespassing signs. He was unhappy with the way Hicks Island is being managed.

Charles Bowman representing Skylight, LLC (D. Gallo), addressed the Board regarding their application for phragmite control at 94 Apaquogue Road. Mr. Grimes noted that the application was very similar to the one the board denied several months ago. Mr. Grimes told the agent that he was not inclined to approve the project with less than a 30 foot buffer zone. He also told the agent that he would like to see the use of other types of vegetation in the buffer zone than the ones suggested in the application. Mr. Grimes asked to table this application until he saw improvement in the protections to the health of the pond.

Elizabeth Halliday, a resident of Amagansett, expressed her concern about the management of trash on our beaches. She suggested that we hold beach clean ups on an ongoing basis. She felt more should be done to protect the birds and offered her assistance as a liaison to other professionals. The primary reason she addressed the Board was to voice her strong and unwavering support for DWW, South Fork Wind Farm. With global warming raising ocean temperatures and the problem of plastic debris in the oceans, Ms. Halliday felt there is much more danger to the ocean if we don't embrace wind energy.

Regarding the new application of D. Rifkind at 3 Eel Cove for shoreline stabilization and coir log repair, the Georgica Committee met with the agent at the site. Mr. Grimes asked the agent, Jim Harris, to speak with the property owner and bring back a revised plan.

An application was received from Pamela Keen Morey for the installation of two wooden decks on Lots 32S and 33S in Lazy Point. She also advised the Board that she doesn't want to re-lease Lot 33S.

Mr. Grimes brought up two (2) other Lazy Point issues: 1) Looking into people who are storing items on lots they don't lease. 2) Consider giving multi-year leases to tenants so they can get mortgages. The Lazy Point Committee will look into both of these issues further.

An application was received from Marilyn Badkin, who leases Lot 19N in Lazy Point, to place a camper on her lot for her daughter to use as a bedroom in July and August; and to have chickens on the property in an enclosed mesh fence area. Mr. Carillo will look into the Town Code regarding placement of campers on Town or Trustee property. The Board tabled the application until the next meeting

Ms. McGraw Keber asked the Trustees to send a letter of support regarding new legislation introduced by Assemblymen S. Engelbright and Senator K. Hannon to curb the use of water-soluble, high nitrogen fertilizers on Long Island. Ms. McGraw Keber and Mr. Grimes will draft a letter of support from the Trustees incorporating Mr. Grimes' concern about excessive watering.

Mr. Grimes, Mr. Cullum and Mr. Carillo have completed their work on the final draft of the Trustees' Policies and Procedures for Shoreline Fencing. A motion was made by Mr. Grimes to approve the new Trustee Policies and Procedures for Shoreline Fencing. The motion was seconded by Mr.

Cullum and unanimously approved. Mr. Carillo said he will contact Mr. Jilnicki to discuss making the approved document part of the Town Code.

The Hog Creek phragmite applications of the Lion Head Beach Association, Shapiro and Geelan were tabled as the agent is making some changes to the applications and plans to come before the Board at a future meeting.

The ZBA hearing of Rosenwald at 100 Runnymede Drive will be held on May 1, 2018. Ms. McGraw Keber plans to attend the meeting.

The Trustees have received a notice of bulkhead completion from Connolly at 217 Kings Point Road. Before the Trustees close out this permit, they would like the vegetation violations with the Town to be addressed.

Bonnie Maslin of 307 Kings Point Road is before the ZBA on April 24, 2018 regarding her application for a stone revetment. Ms. McGraw Keber will attend the ZBA meeting.

Ms. McGraw Keber and Mr. Aldred have been working on organizing the upcoming Accabonac Harbor Mosquito Larvae Survey. Mr. Aldred has identified the exact GPS system that will deliver the data to Vector Control in the correct format. A motion was made by Rick Drew to purchase three (3) specific GPS units at \$300.00 each as soon as possible. The motion was seconded by Mr. Grimes and unanimously approved.

Mr. Aldred is still waiting to hear back from Tom Dess, from the State Park, for approval to do the oyster survey and oyster transfer from Oyster Pond in Montauk. Mr. Aldred added before the DEC allows the actual transfer to occur, they will probably require water testing.

Regarding the horseshoe crab survey, training will take place at Stony Brook University on May 2, 2018. The actual survey will begin on May 14, 2018.

Mr. Byrnes of the Education Committee announced that the scholarship applications from the students have been received by the Trustees. Mr. Byrnes encouraged all the Trustees to pass by the Trustee office, review the applications and vote. Mr. Byrnes will notify the school with the name of the student who will be awarded the Rysam scholarship.

Ms. McGraw Keber has been in contact with the principal at John Marshall Elementary School. They are working on scheduling a date for the Trustees to visit the school and educate the students with presentations from John "Barley" Dunne, director of the East Hampton Shellfish Hatchery; and Trustees Brian Byrnes and Susan McGraw Keber.

A motion was made by Mr. Grimes to send a thank you letter to Joe Bloecker for the great job he did opening clams for the Trustees at their table during the East Hampton Sportsman Alliance's Expo. This motion was seconded by Ms. McGraw Keber and unanimously approved. Mr. Bloecker generously donated his time and skills. Thank you Joe, from all the Trustees.

The Georgica Committee agreed to table the applications of Rifkind at 3 Eel Cove, Schultz at 1 Eel Cove and the Georgica Association at the head of Eel Cove for phragmite control. The agent, Bruce Horwith, plans to come before the Trustee Board at a future meeting to further discuss his proposed project plans.

There are still a few duck blinds that haven't been removed. Mr. Drew mentioned that there is an old abandoned duck blind on Northwest Creek that the Trustees might want to fix up to use as a community duck blind. Mr. Grimes said that he would like to have the Boy Scouts learn how to construct a duck blind and about the culture of duck hunting by building two (2) community duck blinds. Residents of East Hampton could then enter a lottery to win a week to hunt from a Trustee duck blind.

The Roads Committee has identified a handful of properties with encroachments on Trustee roads and a few properties with missing easements. Ms. Vorpahl has been spending time at the Town Building Department, and in Riverhead, researching old deeds and easements. Ms. Vorpahl thanked Mr. Richardson for bringing potential violations on Hicks Island to the Trustees.

A motion was made by Mr. Taylor to pay the following bills: a) East Hampton Star - \$237.10 (public notice); b) North Fork Water Supply - \$43.97; c) Anthony Tohill - \$183.75 (DWW); d) Staples - \$20.30; e) Riverhead Building Supply - \$358.92 (lumber to repair the Settler's Landing kayak racks); f) Dianne's Signs - \$1,349.00 (mooring stickers). The motion was seconded by Mr. Cullum and unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Ms. McGraw Keber to approve the minutes of March 26, 2018. The motion was seconded by Mr. Grimes and unanimously approved. A motion was made by Ms. McGraw Keber to approve the minutes of April 9, 2018. The motion was seconded by Mr. Drew and unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Mr. Byrnes to approve the financial report for the month ending March 31, 2018. The motion was seconded by Ms. McGraw Keber and unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Mr. Grimes to approve the renewal of the Certificate of Deposit for the account ended in #0232. The motion was seconded by Mr. Taylor and unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Mr. Grimes to hold the Town Trustees 28th Annual Largest Clam Contest on Sunday, September 23rd 2018. The motion was seconded by Mr. Cullum and unanimously approved.

The Clerk told the Board that he sits on a Committee with two Town Board members, the Town Police Chief, the Harbormaster, a representative from the State Parks and the Town Clerk. Together they make a decision on which public assemblies to approve, which to deny and which to modify. It is the Clerk's recommendation that the Trustees stop requiring a second set of paperwork. With or without the duplicate paperwork, the Trustees have a vote on whether to approve each application and a schedule of all events happening on Trustee beaches.

The Trustees two (2) pump-out boat operators, Sid Bye and Lanny Rost, are returning for the summer season. A part-time pump-out boat operator for Montauk should be hired.

The Clerk reminded the Board that the Trustee meeting scheduled for May 28, 2018 will be held on June 1, 2018 due to the holiday.

The Trustees received a letter of support for the DWW South Fork Wind Farm from Ron Delsener. He warned that pollution from coal and the burning of other fossil fuels threatens a safe and healthy future for all of us.

The Trustees received a letter opposing DWW South Fork Wind Farm from the Atlantic Lobstermen's Association. They asked the Trustees to consider the concerns of the local fishing

community, including their concerns about the impact to the ocean resources, including fish and crustacean stocks, marine mammals and essential habitat.

A notification was received from the Water for Long Island organization of a free seminar to be given entitled: 2018 Protect our Aquifer Day.

A Public Notice was received asking for written comments on the proposed Shellfish Aquaculture Lease sites from the County of Suffolk. The areas noticed were outside of the Trustees jurisdiction.

A motion was made by Mr. Drew to close the meeting at approximately 10:30 pm. The motion was seconded by Ms. McGraw Keber and unanimously approved.