



MEETING OF JULY 8, 2019
OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE FREEHOLDERS AND COMMONALTY
OF THE TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON

Present: Francis J. Bock, Trustee Clerk
James Grimes, Deputy Clerk
William F. Taylor, Deputy Clerk
John Aldred
Brian Byrnes
Rick Drew
Susan McGraw Keber
Susan Vorpahl

Absent: Dell Cullum

Also Present: Christopher Carillo, Trustee Attorney
Arlene Tesar, Trustee Secretary
Christopher Walsh
Brian Grogan

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

A roll call was ordered by Francis Bock, all the Trustees were present except Dell Cullum.

Brian Grogan, of P.W. Grosser Consulting, addressed the Trustees, asking for permission to remove core samples of mud sediments from Wainscott Pond for analysis. Jim Grimes said he would like to have a meeting with the Friends of Wainscott Pond and Kim Shaw to discuss the entire plan and the timeline. He did not want to be approaching this project piecemeal. The Trustees were concerned the applicant was talking directly with the DEC without having permission from the Trustees, who own the bottomland.

Rick Drew said the Trustees are following up on Attorney Rick Whalen's request to re-affirm their ownership of the Trustee Road that gives legal access to Richard and Mary Lloyd of Six Pole Highway. Mr. Drew felt the Trustees were getting close to resolving this issue and ask to table this matter until the next Trustee meeting.

John Aldred said the issuing of the permits for the powering of soft clams went well. It appears there were not a lot of soft clams to be found in the designated areas. A request was received from the baymen to open the Hicks Island flats to powering. The Trustees authorized two baymen to do a survey of the Hicks Island area flats. Unfortunately there were no soft clams at that location either.

John Aldred said, last year, he requested that BOEM do a field study on the effects of EMF's on migratory fish. BOEM accepted this study as a literature study and said it would do a field study in a future year if the literature study showed a need to look deeper into this matter. The project was assigned to the CSA Ocean Sciences and Exponents Company in April 2019. CSA did a thorough investigation into the existing data and a draft report is under review. They hope to finalize the draft report and to publish it soon.

Regarding the 2019 Mosquito Larvae Survey, two of the last four weeks surveys were cancelled, because Vector Control wasn't planning to spray those weeks. As the summer unfolds the need for spraying will probably increase. Moon tides, rain, road runoff and warmer temperatures tend to increase the breeding activities of the mosquitos. As of last week there were two active hot spot areas for mosquito breeding.

Susan McGraw Keber is meeting set up with Fred Thiele. Assemblymen Thiele has offered to present the proposed legislation banning the intentional release of balloons to the State Assembly. Susan will also be meeting with Sarah S. Anker, Suffolk County Legislator to introduce this legislation on the county level. Southampton also banned the intentional release of balloons last week.

A motion was made by Jim Grimes to approve the application of 25 Cove Hollow Road for phragmite removal and buffer restoration. The motion was seconded by Brian Byrnes and unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Jim Grimes to accept the phragmite renewal application of 31Terbell Lane. The motion was seconded by Rick Drew and unanimously approved.

Susan Vorpahl said she has been keeping track of complaints about trash on the Village Beaches. Jim Grimes, Susan McGraw Keber and Chris Carillo had a meeting with the Village earlier today. The meeting went very well. The Trustees, discussed trash issues and other topics of mutual interest to the Trustees and the Village. Trash removal is an ongoing problem for all municipalities, not just the Village of East Hampton. It seems the biggest problem is the trash that accumulates overnight.

A motion was made by Jim Grimes to pay the following bill: a) Wittendales Florists - \$173.80. The motion was seconded by Susan McGraw Keber and unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Brian Byrnes to table the financials for the month ended June 30, 2019. The motion was seconded by Susan McGraw Keber and unanimously approved.

Francis Bock received a phone call from the Georgica Association saying they are asserting their ownership rights to the beach down to the mean high water mark. The cut is open and the area has extensive fencing protecting the piping plovers and least terns. There is no room to park or turn around.

A note of appreciation was received from Annelise Mendelman for the \$500 scholarship she received from the Trustees.

Two notes of appreciation were received from the Cornell Cooperative Extension, one for the Trustees donation of \$2500 for their 2017 Submarine Groundwater Discharge Study and one for the Trustees donation of \$500 to the Horseshoe Crab Alternative Bail Study

A motion was made by Susan McGraw Keber to close the meeting at approximately 7.25pm. The motion was seconded by John Aldred and unanimously approved.