



MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 11, 2024
OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE FREEHOLDERS AND COMMONALTY
OF THE TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON

Present: Francis J. Bock, Clerk
Bill Taylor, Deputy Clerk
Jim Grimes, Deputy Clerk
John Aldred
David Cataletto
Patrice Dalton
Tim Garneau
Celia Josephson

Absent: Ben Dollinger

Present: Alyson Follenius, Trustee Secretary
Arlene Tesar, Trustee Secretary
Dan Hall – Land Use Ecological Services

The Clerk opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:30 p.m.

The Clerk requested roll call. All Trustees were present at roll call except Ben Dollinger who was not in attendance.

The Clerk transitioned to the Public Comment:

Dan Hall from Land Use Ecological Services addressed the Board on behalf of the owners of 31 Lookout Lane, SCTM# 300-83-4-9, to reconstruct the existing bulkhead utilizing vinyl sheathing. He described the project and how it would be executed. He said that a part of the return of the bulkhead extends into the lot to the north of the property which is owned by the Nature Conservancy. The portion of the bulkhead on the adjacent property will not be replaced and will be left as is. Hall also told the Board that he has already obtained all other necessary permits. He has submitted to the Board a copy of his NYSDEC, USACOE and NYSDOS. He has also received his Natural Resources Special Permit from the Town of East Hampton and will forward that to the Trustees. A motion was made by David Cataletto to approve the application for 31 Lookout Lane. The motion was seconded by Jim Grimes and unanimously approved.

The Clerk transitioned to New Business:

Jim Grimes received a request from the builder Ronald Webb, Inc for permission to do an emergency roof replacement for Russell Schlitt, leaseholder at 161 Shore Rd, Lot 36S, SCTM# 300-85-1-33.1, in Lazy Point. Grimes said the roof is in very bad condition and water is leaking into the house. A motion was made by Jim Grimes to give permission to Russell Schlitt to re-frame and replace his roof in its current footprint. The motion was seconded by John Aldred and unanimously approved.

The Clerk transitioned to Old Business: There was no old business to discuss.

The Clerk transitioned to Committee Reports:

David Cataletto told the Board the Trustees are getting organized for the 2024 Largest Clam Contest. The Largest Clam Contest will be held on Sunday September 29, 2024, from 12pm to 3 pm at the Amagansett US Lifesaving Station. He asked the Board if the Committee could have a budget of \$7000 for the event. Jim Grimes said he would agree to approving a budget not to exceed \$7000. A motion was made by David Cataletto to authorize a budget for the Largest Clam Contest not to exceed \$7000. The motion was seconded by Jim Grimes and unanimously approved.

John Aldred informed the Board that the Trustees received a public notice requesting public comment on new SCALP leases. The only new lease applied for in East Hampton Town is off Gardiner's Island. Aldred screen shared the map of the Gardiner's Island lease site. The public comments must be submitted to the Suffolk County Office of Economic Development in Hauppauge. Public Comments must be submitted by May 6, 2024.

Jim Grimes gave an update to the board regarding the ongoing annual dredging of Georgica Pond. He has been monitoring the progress over the last few weeks. He said the dredging has gone well and they were able to get their allotted amount of sand out of the area. The inlet to Georgica Cove was not dredged this year. Grimes went on to say the Rayner properties, 85 West End Rd and 93 West End Rd have sent the Trustees a notice of commencement for their dune restoration work to cover their rock revetment. The sand work will be done by Bistran and Billy Mack will be doing the beach grass planting.

The clerk transitioned to Administrative:

Payment of bills: A motion was made by Jim Grimes to pay the following bills, Optimum - \$161.24 and Van Dyke and Hand - \$800; and to table the bill from Hodgson Russ for \$123,310.80, until Trustee Attorney Chris Carillo has a chance to review the invoice. The motion was seconded by Tim Garneau and unanimously approved.

Financials: There were no financials to review.

Minutes: The minutes from the meeting of February 26, 2024, were available for review. John Aldred made a motion to accept the minutes. Patrice Dalton seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

John Aldred brought up that the Trustees have a long-term maintenance agreement with Harbor Marina and the Trustees have received a report outlining the work done at the Marina in 2022 and 2023. They replaced some cleats on docks and other items. The Trustees also received a 2023 report from Three Mile Harbor Marina. They had added a finger pier and moved around some of the other finger piers. Three Mile Harbor Marina is also planning to ask the Trustees to renew another permit they received in 2022. That permit gives them permission to replace their bulkhead. That work has not been done yet.

A motion was made by Jim Grimes to close the meeting at 6:58pm. The motion was seconded by Tim Garneau, and it was unanimously approved.

The meeting closed at 6:58 p.m.