

Hampton Bays Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting
Minutes
October 19, 2016

ATTENDEES:

Members Present: Michael Dunn; Mary Egan; Paula Godfrey; Gayle Lombardi; Terrance McGrath; Eric Sutton; Maureen Sutton

Members Absent: Daniel Aube; Margaret Campbell; Bruce Doscher; Ed Laureano, Tom Mulrooney; Simone Scotti; Kevin Springer; Zeb Youngman

Elected Officials: Councilperson Stan Glinka *Julie Lofstad sent her regrets for not being able to make the meeting.

Guests: Various

- Call to Order by Co-Chairperson Michael Dunn at 7 PM
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Discussion regarding responses from Town Officials from previous queries:
 - *61 East Montauk Highway (Property behind Carvel) – reports of overcrowding*
Councilperson Julie Lofstad provided a written response that the property had 7 cottages and a full-size house and all had rental permits since 2013. She indicated that she would discuss any further investigation with code enforcement and report back to the CAC. Michael Dunn, as President of the CCHB, had filed complaints regarding this property not having valid rental permits which probably resulted in the owners applying for rental permits in 2013. He also reported that he and Councilperson Lofstad had passed by this property as part of their motel survey.
 - *No parking “sign pollution” across from Middle School*
The response to this query was tabled until further information is provided by Tom Neely, Director of Public Transportation and Traffic Safety.
- Update regarding illegal use of the Belaire Motel

Mike Dunn, as president of CCHB, reported on the meeting with Supervisor Schneiderman, Town Attorney, and Councilperson Julie Lofstad. Mike indicated that as a follow up to the water testing report commissioned by CCHB the Suffolk County Health Department was going to conduct their own dye test to see if the cesspools from the Belaire drain into the Bay. He also indicated that the Suffolk County Health Department found illegal kitchens etc. on the premises. He indicated that it appeared that the Town and Suffolk County are working toward a resolution to this issue and would update the CAC accordingly.

- **Discussion on quality of life and general code enforcement/property issues**
The following issues were discussed:

- ***Homeless Camp by the Methodist Thrift Store on Cemetery Road***
Councilperson Glinka indicated that the Town is aware of the situation and are working with Social Services to provide services to the individuals.
- ***Flag Banners/Signs on Main Street and other areas***
Councilperson Glinka indicated that they are not allowed under the current code and working with businesses to remove/relocate them
- ***Dead and Diseased Trees along Montauk Highway***
Councilperson Glinka indicated that Gayle Lombardi should follow up with the President of HBBA
- ***Excess Garbage behind Liggett's Shopping Center***
Councilperson Glinka indicated that code enforcement was aware of it and looking into it.
- ***17 Westbury Road a/k/a "the generator house"***
Mike Dunn reported that he is still getting complaints from neighboring residents. Councilperson Glinka reported that code enforcement is aware of the complaints and actively working on it.
- ***The Hampton Bays Diner***
The attendees raised the issue that this vacant location is a blight on the community. Gayle Lombardi queried to Councilperson Glinka as to whether a tax abatement/incentive can be offered to a potential new owner.
- ***The Three Aces Site***
Attendees discussed that this is another site that is a blight on the community. It was reported, however, that it is in contract for sale and hopefully will be remedied by the new owners.
- ***Sign Pollution by the Middle School***
The issue of the sign pollution was again raised and one attendee noted that there were cars parked illegally that may be the crossing guards. He indicated that he thought it sent a bad signal to the students that the rules don't apply to everyone.
- ***Other Properties Previously Reported***
The attendees discussed various other properties that had been previously reported to code enforcement that appear to have been cleaned up.
- **Discussion/Update of Town Projects**
 - ***Main Street Overlay District Pattern Book***

Gayle Lombardi reported that the Town is in the process of scheduling a Community meeting sometime in mid-November. She reported that she and Tom Mulrooney had briefly met with the consultants on behalf of Mike Dunn and Simone Scotto and voiced their concerns for inclusion of all residents/businesses and transparency for the process.

- ***Ponquogue Pavilion Design Meeting and Survey***

Gayle Lombardi and other attendees were at the meeting in October. Gayle Lombardi reported that the results of the meeting and survey should be published shortly and a follow up meeting is anticipated for the middle of November.

- **Feedback of Opening Day activities for Good Ground Park**

Mike Dunn and Gayle Lombardi reported that the Town was looking for feedback on the Opening Day activities and observations about the Park itself. The attendees had a brief discussion about the Opening Day. Seven of the eight attendees were at the Opening Day and the following comments were offered:

- **Attendees unanimously indicated that the event was wonderful**
- **Attendees indicated that the Park was beautiful**
- **One attendee was not able to participate since he had difficulty walking and did not want to take the shuttle.**
- **Some attendees indicated that the acoustics seemed contained and clear in the amphitheater**
- **Some attendees were unaware that the Park was going to close until later in the day/next day**
- **Some attendees were unaware of the solicitation of requested that Gayle Lombardi obtain memorial flyer and circulate to members**
- **Some attendees voiced concern as to how the Park can really be “closed” and secured**
- **Attendees discussed that maintenance is important and compared it to the lack of maintenance at Red Creek Park and the Ponquogue Pavilion**

- **Discussion of Budget Hearing/Town Board meeting of October 25, 2016 at the Hampton Bays Senior Center at 6 PM**

Gayle Lombardi encouraged everyone to attend the meeting and send comments to the Town Board about their concerns of maintenance of the Town properties.

- **Discussion of Public Hearing regarding the Proposed Parking restriction at the end of Argonne Road on October 25th, 2016.**

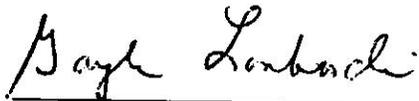
Attendees discussed the proposal and were urged to send comments to the Town Board or attend the Town Board meeting.

- Discussion on coordination of CAC activities with other community groups. Councilperson Glinka and the attendees agreed that Gayle Lombardi would forward the CAC minutes to the leadership of HB Chamber of Commerce, HB Beautification Association, HB Civic Association, and Concerned Citizens of HB
- Potential Guest Speaker regarding potential gang activity/code enforcement

Councilperson Stan Glinka indicated that he is working with Mike Dunn to have a guest speaker come to the November CAC to discuss code enforcement. Attendees raised the issue of gang activity in Hampton Bays. Councilperson Glinka assured the attendees that the Town is monitoring all activity and, to the best of his knowledge, it is very limited.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM by Co-Chairperson Mike Dunn

Respectfully submitted,



Gayle Lombardi

Secretary - HB CAC

Dated: 11-13-16