

**North Sea Citizens Advisory Committee
Town of Southampton
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**Lucille Dunne
John Watson
Co-Chairs**

Minutes of June 10, 2014 Meeting

**Barbara Fair
Secretary**

The meeting opened at 7:36 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Minutes of the May 13, 2014 meeting were approved.

Members

**John Barona
Joan Barra**
Mary Beatty
Declan Blackmore
Joan Brennan**
Sheila Comparetto
John Clarke
Daniel Gebbia
Stephanie McNamara
Ann Reisman
Frank Palmer
Arlene Schroeder
Mary E. Topping**

Housing. A contentious third hearing on the Sandy Hollow PDD application was held June 10, during which the Supervisor called a brief recess to restore order. Among the comments at the hearing were:

- The Group for the East End stated the “neg dec” issued by the DEC was for a 16 unit proposal, not 28 units.
- Residents declared Sandy Hollow road was unsafe with 11,000+ trips a day and questioned the impact of an additional 50 daily trips. The Barlett Tree company locks their gates opening onto Sandy Hollow Road
- An adjacent property owner was required by the Planning Board to put in a U-shaped driveway
- 46 parking spaces were inadequate.

Further discussion topics by the members were:

- the proposed sewage treatment plant,
- the need for affordable housing which can’t be achieved without greater density
- the four abandoned houses on Mary’s Lane and foreclosures on Sandu Hollow Road
- lack of jobs
- school district needs housing for teachers is not based upon locals being hired
- hospital needs housing for temporary staff added during summer months they do not hire local people first! They hire based upon experience.
- how to make it easier to add accessory apartments to single family residences.
- distributing affordable units townwide rather than aggregating them in one place
- what would be septic requirements for accessory apartments

*denotes Seasonal Member
**denotes ex-officio member

Committee Reports

Landmarks. No report.

Sustainable Growth. The committee member reported the Town has a new website for the Committee which is now meeting quarterly with the Solid Waste Committee to discuss areas of common interest. There is renewed interest in reducing the number of plastic bags entering the waste stream, as they never degrade or

decompose, this is a SWAC project.. The committee hopes to meet with civic groups to raise awareness of the issue. A member suggested signage should be posted at the markets reading “Don’t forget your bag”. Carters have increased rates by as much as 20% across the board to \$109/ month

Solid Waste. The Solid Waste and Sustainable Growth committees met and discussed disposal of hazardous material and paint. The reason someone has to be on-site the entire time such material is accepted is that the various types have to be kept separate to prevent interaction between the chemicals. The best option remains to have disposal available 6 times a year. A member suggested this could be facilitated by permanent signage at the Transfer Station indicating the next date(s) one can dispose of paints, etc., similar to the sign indicating hours of operation and holidays.

It appears that local businesses are using the NS Transfer Station, which is not for commercial use, for disposal. A call was placed to Christine Fetten, who said that it is not Town policy to permit it. The issue will be discussed at the next Solid Waste meeting. Also, a new person has been hired for the Transfer Station.

Unimproved Roads. A Work Session was held June 5 with the Town Board, which is moving forward with an RFP for an Engineering Study of unimproved roads.

Airport Noise. If you register your complaint on the hotline (1-800-376-4817) you will receive an e-mail acknowledgement. To report a problem with a jet, select #1, for helicopters, select #2. Chuck Schumer and Tim Bishop are trying to get the voluntary helicopter routes, which expire in August, renewed, but it seems there are no mandated helicopter routes anywhere in the US. We need it made mandatory to fly around Orient Point. Over Memorial Day weekend, 20% more helicopters were reported.

Disabilities. No report.

CAC Chairs. No Meeting the past month.

Old Business

Tupper Boathouse. There are two overlapping committees. Both are moving ahead on general principles and then meeting together at Town Hall. Architect Mark Matthews drew up a tentative floor plan to re-build within the old structure. Both Bridget Flynn and Christine Fetten liked the concept, however felt that closing in the ceiling volume with an entire second floor should be avoided. There has been no word on the NYS grant requested to elevate the building. There was no discussion yet of a business plan.

Little Fresh Pond Association. They had a good opening meeting. Four Town Trustees came to stock Little Fresh Pond with trout. They were not up-to-date on what had been happening.

There is no approved site plan for the Camp. The Town is not paying attention to people’s concerns; they disregard us, use their cellphones when we meet with them and are more involved with the builders. Bridget and Christine are very

nice when they meet with you. The force you to sue and say they can't talk to you because of the lawsuit. Four Article 78's were dismissed and one judge recused himself. No one is stopping the builders: the Town doesn't have enough people to control the situation. They put whatever they wanted and no one from the Town came to check it out. We called when the bulldozers were there.

The LFPA is having a yard sale fundraiser on June 21 at the North Sea Community House. Donations will be accepted on Friday from 3 to 7 pm. No books please, only good, saleable merchandise.

Noyac Road. A sign has been placed at North Sea Road indicating construction delays at Cromers. There has been a police presence all week long on Noyac road. The improvements are moving along quickly now, although Verizon had delayed completing the project. They are ready to lay asphalt.

New Business.

The Golden Pear. It is reported that the Golden Pear applied for a liquor license.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:43 pm

Attendance

Present: John Barona, John Clarke, Lucy Dunne, Barbara Fair, Dan Gebbia, Ann Reisman, Mary Topping, John Watson

Excused: Mary Beatty, Declan Blackmore, Sheila Comparetto, Stephanie McNamara, Frank Palmer, Arlene Schroeder.