

North Sea Citizens Advisory Committee
Town of Southampton
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*denotes Seasonal Member
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North Sea CAC Minutes
January 12, 2021

Minutes: The minutes of the prior Meeting were reviewed and approved by the Members.

Agenda:

Designation of Officers. All agreed to Stephanie staying on as Chairperson. James will remain the Secretary.

Proposed Parking Restrictions at North Sea and Towd Point Beaches
In response to issues that became apparent in 2019 due to the unexpected influx of visitors to North Sea beaches, the Town proposes establishing “No Parking” and “Permit Parking” restrictions at the ends of North Sea and Towd Point Roads.

Members observed that Permit Parking should not end at 6pm, as proposed, but be in effect for 24 hours, as surf casting can take place late into the evening or early in the morning. Handicap parking should be designated in the plan. Further, North Sea residents should not pay the same fee as non-residents, and the fee schedule should reflect these beaches have no facilities. For convenience, permits should be available for sale at the Conscience Point Marina, which is staffed. The area adjacent to a significant bird habitat on the east side of North Sea Road should be considered for no parking zone designation.

Snow Plowing at Conscience Point Marina

The parking area at the Marina should have been plowed out after a recent heavy snowfall. Residents use the area for walking during the winter, and the Bay Patrol boat is moored at the Marina.

Strong's Marina Proposal

The anticipated discussion of Strong's proposal to change the zone for its property from R-40 to RWB or the new Marina Zone (intended to preserve current uses, not expansion) was to have included Mike Lieberman and Janice Scher, who were unable to

attend this meeting. The Trustees have been invited to review the proposal as well. Discussion was tabled for the next meeting.

LIPA/PSEG

The Sustainability Committee advocated for the bill, giving the Public Service Commission more oversight over LIPA/PSEG. Sponsored by Assemblyman Thiele it has been signed into law by Gov. Cuomo. LIPA is now obligated to follow PSC audit recommendations concerning fraud, abuse or mismanagement. The Committee has advocated for Community Choice Aggregation and believes the new PSC oversight will help pave the way for this to happen on the East End.

Stachecki Site/North Sea Hamlet Study

Members recalled efforts dating back to 2007 to develop the North Sea Hamlet Study and asked if anyone knew the current status of the study. "We got pretty far but it collapsed at the end." What is proposed for the Stachecki Site far exceeds anything in the Master Plan for this area. Councilmember Lofstadt stated the Town has discussed a Master Plan "reboot" but doesn't know if the money is there to proceed. She will contact GIS to see if they have a copy of the hamlet study that was done. A member suggested it may be appropriate to consider North Sea becoming a Village and proposed sending a letter to the Press inviting discussion of the idea.

Miscellaneous.

- Fire Whistle. A member requested someone look into the volume of the new fire whistle at the NSFD.
- Handicap Bathroom at NS Community House. The Town awarded \$15,900 in CDBG funds to the NSCSA to create a handicap accessible bathroom. We thank architect Mark Matthews, who donated design services, and Councilmember Lofstadt, who supported the application.
- Dump Fee. Councilmember Lofstad had no further information on the resident self-hauler fee. Two County legislators introduced a bill to have Manufacturers pay for recycling costs.
- North Sea Beach Restoration/Towd Point Channel. Work has been completed. In the future there will be alternate deposition of dredge spoil.
- Tupper Boathouse. The Town was supposed to send out an RFP but hasn't done so yet. The NSMC has applied for a grant from the Town.

Present at ZOOM meeting:

Councilmember Julie Lofstadt, Stephanie MacNamara, Raymond Clair, Sheila Comparetto, Mark Matthews, Tim Ferguson, Judith White, Myron Holtz, Lynn Arthur, Rebecca Jones, Ann Reisman, Larissa Potapchuk, Deiter von Lehsten, Ann Welk, Carla Rich, Frank DiMaria, Barbara Fair