



**TOWN OF SHELTER ISLAND
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**Taylor's Island Preservation and Management Committee
January 13, 2014
Town Hall
Minutes**

Members Present: Co-Chairs P.A.T. Hunt and Richie Surozenski, Barbara "Buzz" Clark, Keith Clark, Carol Galligan, Kathy Gooding and Town Board Liaison Ed Brown

Member Excused: Mark Ketcham

Guest: Commissioner of Public Works Jay Card

Meeting called to order: 9:01 AM

A motion to accept the minutes of December 10, 2013, was made by Co-Chair Richie Surozenski and seconded by Kathy Gooding. The minutes were accepted.

Old Business:

NYSOPR&HP EPF/HP Grant:

New Windows:

The brass hardware will be protected with Noxon as a first choice, Nevr-Dull as a second choice.

Jay reported Andre Tchelistcheff is following up with Reilly Windows and Doors on the Alaskan cedar for the exterior trim.

Window/Door Restoration:

Hardware: Jay reported Eric Hildebrandt had the springs for the three double hung windows which he was going to get to Robert Strada so he could install them.

Faux logs: Jay said the faux logs were delivered and have been brought out to the Island. Robert Strada will install them on the south bedroom.

Chimney cap: Co-Chair Hunt will follow-up with Marcello Masonry regarding putting the cap on the chimney. A lull is needed for the installation.

Paint: Although not within the scope of the grant, the Committee discussed different wood finishes: linseed oil, paint, stain. Keith suggested sampling products on leftover faux log pieces for making an educated choice.

The Committee will coordinate a visit by the Town Board to see the Cabin restoration. Ed suggested we plan for Tuesday, February 11 after the Town Board Work Session. Low tide that day is at 2 PM.

Financial Business—December 31, 2013:

Co-Chair Hunt reported: as of December 31, 2013, the Chase Business High Yield Savings account balance is \$8,178.11 which includes \$0.32 in interest.

Pat saw former Town Attorney Helen Rosenbloom who said she and Town Attorney Laury Dowd have been leaving messages for one another regarding how to proceed in processing a change of address for the dividend checks received from the residual shares left by Mr. Taylor for the upkeep of the Cabin.

Final paperwork for the second reimbursement from NYSOPRHP:

Pat wanted to review the financial figures prepared by Kathy and offered the following:

The Town spent \$188,268.40. They laid this money out from the General Fund. In that amount were Committee budgeted amounts from 2011, 2012 and 2013, totaling \$35,880. Also in that amount was \$80,517 that was formerly in a Class Account, funds left by Mr. Taylor to take care of the property. The total the Town spent then was \$116,397.

When that amount is subtracted from the Town's \$188,268.40, the balance owed to the Town is \$71,871.40. The first reimbursement from NYSOPRHP was in the amount of \$79,677.15, putting an extra \$7,805.75 into the General Fund.

Kathy is currently preparing the paperwork for our second reimbursement and that amount will be \$30,922.85.

A motion was made by Keith Clark that our Committee request the Town Board deposit the reimbursement check from NYSOPRHP, in the amount of \$30,922.85, into the Taylor's Island High Yield Savings Account, held by the Town at the Chase Bank, for future improvements to the Smith Taylor Cabin. Richie Surozenski seconded the motion.

Additionally, Kathy Gooding made a motion that the Committee thank the Taylor's Island Foundation and all those who contributed to the Foundation for their donations of \$85,512.79 to benefit the Cabin during this project. Richie seconded the motion.

Ed asked that all these figures be put into a chart and submitted to the Board. The grant figures will be discussed at a work session after Supervisor Jim Dougherty returns from vacation. Keith suggested that Board Members receive the written material before the meeting, giving them time to review and understand it. Ed further suggested that Pat and Kathy meet with Jim before the meeting.

Jay said the final number for the highway department is \$3,800. Kathy advised Jay as to what paperwork was necessary. Kathy quoted Traci Christian, our NYSOPRHP Regional Grants Representative, as saying that because our paperwork has been good, we may not need to have an audit.

Update on Work Accomplished on Taylor's Island and Future Plans:

Jay reported that the wood has arrived for the interior of the Cabin.

Electrical and plumbing work, along with repair and refinishing of the Cabin floors are also planned.

The generator has a solar charger and a kill switch to keep the battery from discharging.

Jay raised the possibility of an actual electrical line running out to the Island. He will report back with the estimated cost.

No update on the proposed storage shed.

Richie located and obtained a pick-up truck to replace the one that's no longer serviceable. The green Chevy is currently in Richie's driveway awaiting the Town processing the motor vehicle registration and insurance. Jay suggested getting a Taylor's Island logo on the doors. Keith suggested the burgee. Pat proposed a journal be kept in the truck, recording use and mileage for general recordkeeping. Ed will get a copy of the Town's regulations regarding Town vehicle use.

Pat will follow-up with Costello Marine regarding the repair to the east bulkhead damaged by Hurricane Sandy and the proposed fixed dock work.

New Business:

No new business.

Taylor's Island Foundation News:

Update on Website and facebook:

For the month of December our website had 141 visits with 405 page views. To date Taylor's Island has 477 likes on facebook.

Cabin Flag/Burgee Project:

The Cabin burgee is in process.

Brochure:

The Cabin brochure is in process also.

The next meeting date is scheduled for Tuesday, February 11, 2014

Meeting Adjourned: 10:09 AM

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Galligan