



**TOWN OF SHELTER ISLAND  
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NEW YORK**

**Taylor's Island Preservation and Management Committee  
Tuesday, February 13, 2013  
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

**Members Excused:** Mark Ketcham

**Guests:** Commissioner of Public Works Jay L. Card, Jr., Charlie and Linda Puls

**Meeting called to order:** 9:06 a.m.

A motion to accept the minutes of January 8, 2013 was made by Co-Chair Richie Surozenski and seconded by Kathy Gooding. The minutes were approved.

**Old Business:**

**NYSOPR&HP EPF/HP Grant:**

**Main Cabin Roof:** The triangle windows facing east and west at the peak of the roof are an integral part of the roof structure. With the decision to replace all the roof sheathing, the windows were made and added to the interior roof change order. The original triangle windows were placed inside the Cabin to be used as artifacts, however, at this time they are missing from the Cabin. Nails from the flashing that went through the cedar sheathing have been snipped and sanded. Roofing cap nails also went through the cedar sheathing.

**Main Cabin Northeast Corner:** Locust logs, supplied by Jay Card, are in place and pegged.

**Generator:** Co-Chair Hunt phoned Generac for additional keys to the generator and at their suggestion, contacted a local electrical contractor who will let her know if they have keys for that model. Payment of the propane for the generator will be split with Strada-Baxter paying half, the Committee paying the other half.

**Tower:** The two proposals for shortening the bottom of the north and west windows to accommodate flashing were discussed. No decision has been reached with Stacey Matson-Zuvic of the NYS Historic Preservation Office, Strada-Baxter and Project Architect Eric Hildebrandt.

**Faux logs:** Dick Baxter is checking out a Plattsburgh-based supplier. Foundation and Committee members have stated that cedar half logs are preferred over spruce half logs.

**Tower catwalk:** As of February 3 when the architects, contractors, Foundation and Committee members met on Taylor's Island, there will be a change order on the catwalk construction to make shedding water away from the tower easier and less expensive (less time and materials). Kathy Gooding raised the question of how alterations in prices will be applied, whether a credit or by some other means.

Windows: The Foundation is working on terms for a contract with Reilly Windows and Doors for new replacement windows.

**Financial Business—January 31, 2013:**

Co-Chair Hunt reported: as of January 31, 2013, the Chase Business High Yield Savings account balance is \$7,666.88 which includes interest of \$0.32.

**2012 Budget and 2013 Budget:**

Kathy Gooding reported that the total amount spent on Cabin repairs so far is \$154,257.23. Of that amount, approximately \$130,500 comes from the Town, Mr. Taylor's money held by the Town and our Town Committee budget, and \$23,000 coming from the Taylor's Island Foundation. Kathy and Pat will be meeting with Traci Christian on February 19 to go over the bills received so far.

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

The shed on the mainland was toppled over by Hurricane Sandy and will not be covered by FEMA, according to Jay Card. Co-Chair Hunt would like to replace it so the footprint isn't lost. She points out that the east bedroom has been used for storage, for items such as chairs, and that it will no longer be available. Co-Chair Surozenski prefers storage on the Island or in a commercial storage unit. He will follow through on possibilities. The rubble from the shed will be left as is, at least for the time being, so the footprint will not be erased.

On February 3 Co-Chair Hunt spoke with Peter Petrie on Taylor's Island about the two Taylor's Island floating docks that went ashore on the Roush property during Hurricane Sandy.

**ASCHS on Shelter Island:**

The Association of Suffolk County Historical Societies will be hosted by the Shelter Island Historical Society on Saturday, April 27. SIHS Executive Director Nanette Lawrenson is putting together an itinerary which will include a Taylor's Island presentation at either the Havens House barn or during lunch at the Ram's Head Inn. No decision is yet made.

**New Business:**

**Traci Christian on Taylor's Island:**

On Thursday, January 17 Traci Christian, NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Long Island contact, met with Kathy Gooding and Co-Chair Hunt to go over grant paperwork for reimbursement. Traci said we can go back to when the grant was awarded, November 22, 2010, and include the Historic Structure Report, 2007 and 2008, as part of our match. Kathy and Pat's donated labor is figured at minimum wage.

Traci also went out to Taylor's Island and saw the restoration work completed and in progress. A photo of Traci, Kathy and Pat with the Cabin in the background was published in the February 7, 2013 issue of the *Shelter Island Reporter*.

### **Taylor's Island Foundation News:**

#### **Update on Website and facebook:**

For the month of January our website had 123 visits with 413 page views. The 2012 Kettle Clambake slide show has been posted. To date Taylor's Island has 422 likes on facebook.

#### **House Flag/Burgee/Decal:**

Attorney Monica McCabe returned Co-Chair Hunt's call regarding a form for flag designers to submit, giving the Foundation exclusive use of their design. On January 14 Pat emailed Monica a draft of the proposed flag contest. Monica said New York State has regulations for contests which she will also look in to and she will do the work pro bono as the Foundation's a non-profit.

Linda Puls said Shelter Island School Art Teacher Stephanie Sareyani and Kia Pederson of ArtSI have agreed to be judges for the contest. Linda will also check with Mike Loriz of the American Legion, Mitchell Post 281 and Pat will check with the Shelter Island Yacht Club for judges.

#### **Use Agreement Forms:**

With regard to the Use Agreements between the Taylor's Island Foundation and individuals and groups using the Cabin, Co-Chair Hunt met with Laury Dowd regarding insurance for events and overnight guests. They checked the lease between the Town and the Foundation and it does not say overnight guests must have insurance. Pat will check with the company that insures the Town and the Foundation to clarify the situation.

#### **Club Sea Ray:**

On February 4 Co-Chair Hunt received a call inquiring about 40 people having a picnic/barbecue on Saturday, August 3. Pat sent a Use Agreement by email and received a call asking to reserve the date.

#### **East End Charters:**

On Saturday, February 3 Co-Chair Hunt met with Pat Mundus and Christine Giuliano about East End Charters visiting Taylor's Island.

#### **Red Hat Mamas:**

On February 6 Jeannie McClintock, of this Shelter Island group, phoned Co-Chair Hunt regarding organizing a picnic lunch on Taylor's Island on either July 18 or 19.

**The next meeting date is scheduled for Tuesday, March 12, 2013.**

**Meeting Adjourned:** 10:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Galligan