



**TOWN OF SHELTER ISLAND  
SHELTER ISLAND  
NEW YORK**

**WATERWAYS MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL  
December 7, 2015 Minutes  
Town Hall**

**Members Present:** Chairman Needham, Mike Anglin, Al Loreto, James Eklund, George Zinger, Bill Geraghty, Marc Wein, Town Liaison Councilman Peter Reich, Town Liaison Councilman Ed Brown  
**Others Present:** Ken Pysher

Meeting opened at 6:01 pm.  
Minutes of November 2, 2015 were approved.

**Next Meeting is scheduled for MONDAY, January 4, 2015 at 6:00 PM.**

2016 Calendar was discussed. The Committee was poled to see who will be attending meetings for January, February, and March. So far, three members will not be attendance. The April date was moved to Thursday, April 7, so there will be more in attendance. Council Ed Brown discussed the need for better equipment, so committees' could video conference in on meetings. The WMAC asked Jeanette to research what conferencing systems could be made available. Chairman Needham told the committees that if they wanted to skype in January, see Jeanette.

**Correspondence:** none.

Chairman Needham thanked Peter Reich and Ed Brown for all their help and dedication, working with the WMAC.

Chairman Needham also thanked Member Al Loreto for a great presentation he made to the Town Board regarding the Silver Beach Lagoon Project.

**Briefing by Town Liaison, Councilman Reich:**

Sea Grass was discussed. Chairman Needham stated that Cornell has been monitoring sea grass growth for years. Chris Pickerell from Cornell is focusing on areas in Southampton. The theory is that the waters around Shelter Island seem to be cooler than other parts of the East End which promotes growth. Soren Dahl was hired by the NYS DEC to assist the Town with managing our sea grass beds.

Chairman Reich will not be at the next Town Board meeting, January 29, 2016. Since there is no liaison, he will submit a written report. Chairman Needham offered to make the report at the next meeting. On January 5, a new liaison to the WMAC will be appointed.

## **Permit Applications:**

### **A. Marijane W. Schrader – 74 Ram Island Drive**

Members remarked that the measurements in this application were not to scale and dimensions were not noted. The applicant needs to provide proper dimensions for them to assess this application adequately. Chairman Needham said he would reach out to the Town Clerk regarding these maps.

**WMAC tabled this application until they receive maps with the accurate dimensions.**

### **B. Peter Carlino – 15 Serpentine Drive**

Dock/Retaining Wall Application.

**WMAC recommended that this application be reviewed by the CAC.**

### **C. Martin O'Neill – 5 Shorewood Court**

Dock Application.

**WMAC recommended approval of this Dock Application 7-0.**

## **Old Business**

### **Silver Beach Lagoon Improvements Update**

Member Al Loreto spoke first, stating that he received many phone calls and emails from citizens around this lagoon area letting him know that they are not on board with these improvements. They are not interested in Pile-Mates across the board. Member Loreto wants to change this proposal to doing Pile-Mates for four pilings at launch ramp.

Mr. Pysher, from the audience, stated that he contacted the stake holders in this area. None of them are happy with this proposal. The increase in fees is not the issue. It is the definition and details of the proposal. Pile-Mates are their main concern.

Members discussed in length reshaping the proposal to doing dredging, putting in piles to be able to launch and retrieve their boats, and later on, to take a look at better policing of abandoned stakes and moorings. Pyramid moorings, equally spaced, should be required.

After a lengthy conversation from the members regarding the homeowner's concerns, and disagreement of improving the lagoon, the WMAC was asked to vote to abandon the original proposal and not have a Town Board Hearing on January 29 on this improvement plan.

**3 - in favor, 3 - opposed, 1 - abstaining.**

**Gridding SMPs on Town Property**

Councilman Reich made a proper list of the format with numbering on each site to be given to the Town Clerk.

**New Business** none.

Meeting closed at 7:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeanette Flynn

Clerk - WMAC