



**TOWN OF SHELTER ISLAND
SHELTER ISLAND
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**WATERWAYS MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL
February 1, 2016 Minutes
Town Hall**

Members Present: Chairman John Needham, Al Loreto, James Eklund, George Zinger, Marc Wein, Town Liaison Councilman Paul Shepherd
Member Excused: Mike Anglin, Bill Geraghty
Others Present: Julie Lane, Ian McDonald, Jack Costello, Jim Colligan

Meeting opened at 6:05 pm.

Minutes of January 21, 2015 were approved.

Next Meeting is scheduled for MONDAY, March 7, 2016 at 6:00 PM.

Correspondence:

Briefing by Town Liaison, Councilman Shepherd:

Councilman Shepherd briefed the WMAC on their proposal that the Shelter Island Yacht Club install their own pumping station. Councilman Shepherd and the WMAC discussed different scenarios about how and if NYS could help in paying for it. Member Marc Wein confirmed that SI Yacht Club will be discussing a pump out station at their next meeting.

Permit Applications:

A. Rob Bethge and Melissa Shepstone: 5 Wheeler Road

Dock Application.

WMAC recommended approval of this dock application 5-0-2 (M.A., B. G. absent) - Contingent on applicant submitting revised survey.

Old Business

Silver Beach Lagoon Improvements Update

The recommendation by the WMAC in removing of all gear, inspection of what gears to reinstall, 4 pilings to be installed at ramp, and a maintenance dredging permit to be obtained to dredge the area is in the process of being implemented by the Town. A new fee structure is being considered by the Town Board and they have asked the Town Attorney, Laury Dowd, to work on it.

Lightcap Application Update

The WMAC reconsidered this application with Lightcap's proposal of giving up the south dock and boat lift.

Jack Costello, representing, Mr. Lightcap, stated that Mr. Lightcap is still willing to remove the south dock, and boat lift so he can install the splash boards. Mr. Costello also stated that this project has been approved by the DEC.

Some WMAC members still have issues with a structure that is unattached and out in the water, and that it sets a precedent that they have never approved before. Mr. Costello brought up a similar structure off of Ram Island. Chairman Needham noted that this structure is minimal compared to the Lightcap proposal and predates the dock code.

Chairman John Needham also stated that there are no permits on file for the docks and boat lift recently constructed at the Lightcap property. Members Loreto and Zinger both concurred that this would set a precedent and are not comfortable with that.

The WMAC voted on this dock application 3-2-2 (M.A., B. G. absent) not in favor.

New Business

Soren Dahl, Sea Grass Coordinator for the DEC, wants to meet with the WMAC to discuss Eel Grass around Shelter Island, possibly in April.

Meeting closed at 8:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeanette Flynn

Clerk - WMAC