



Council of Greater Manhasset Civic Associations, Inc.

(Greater Council)

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Plandome Heights Civic Association
Shorehaven Civic Association
South Strathmore Civic Association
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Strathmore Village Civic Association
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Liaisons to Incorporated Villages:

Flower Hill
Munsey Park
North Hills
Plandome
Plandome Heights
Plandome Manor

Other Organization Liaisons

Coalition for Safer Manhasset
Chamber of Commerce
Manhasset Preservation Society

MINUTES OF MEETING, NOVEMBER 12, 2014

Prior to the meeting, at 7:30 PM, the Town of North Hempstead Town Supervisor, Judi Bosworth, presented to Richard Bentley as her first "COMMUNITY CHAMPION AWARD" to Rich in recognition of his many efforts through the years of service to help so many different community efforts over 30 years. A group of community leaders, GC members, and friends were present at the presentation to applaud Rich's award.

A regular meeting of the Council of Greater Manhasset Civic Associations, Inc. (GC) was held at 8 PM on Wednesday, November 12, 2014 at the Manhasset High School, 3rd Floor Board Room, in Manhasset, NY with Richard Bentley, serving as Chair and John W. Walter, serving as Recording Secretary, with the following persons in attendance:

Officers Present:

President: Richard Bentley, Bayview, CA
1st V. P. Andrew Schwenk, South Strathmore, CA
2nd V.P. Liz Miller, Shorehaven, CA
Treasurer: Bill D'Antonio, Munsey Park
Secretary: John W. Walter, Flower Hill Assn.

Members and Liaisons Present:

Jeffrey O'Brien, North Strathmore, CA
JoAnne Maglione, Strathmore Village, CA
Nicole Sims, Plandome Heights, CA
Barbara Donno, Mayor - Plandome Manor, CA
James Brooks, Manhasset Park, CA
Katie Miller, CSM Chamber

Guests Present:

Charles Cardillo, School District Superintendent

The meeting was then called to order by Richard Bentley at 8:00 PM, with a round table introduction of those in attendance.

1. **Town Update: Rich Bentley:** In Councilwoman Kaplan's absence, Rich reviewed the GC Summary of Open TNH Items; full document posted on the [GC website \(link\)](#). Of note:
 - a. **Plandome Road Vision Project:** Additional progress awaiting outcome of Town's grant applications. Councilwoman Kaplan to give future presentation to GC with Town's grant coordinator.
 - b. **Plandome Rd. Parking Committee:** Oct 2014 - Chair Ed Wassmer advised that the committee will resume meetings, but meetings have not as yet resumed.
 - c. **Bayview Ave Infrastructure:** TNH now seeks transfer to TNH or an inter-municipal agreement of affected county owned land so project can advance. Also needs sidewalk under trestle to get to Valley Park.
 - d. **Valley Park:** Demolition of old defunct bathrooms done fall of 2014; pending update on bid process for new bathroom facility installation. Playground in Town's future improvement plan. Equinox Parking was clarified. Comprehensive County and Town planning needed near the park was reviewed ([on GC website/link](#))
 - e. **Mt. Olive Church Property:** Important date TNH Board agenda 11/18/14 item #10. Public meeting on draft environmental impact statement: "OLIVE HILL AT MANHASSET". Public Comment period ends 11/28/14. Proposed action for rezoning from 'Residence-C' to 'Senior Residence' and subsequent construction of a 72 unit senior residences on a 3.19-acre parcel. GC previously asked for longstanding concerns regarding pedestrian safety problems be concurrently addressed. Area has insufficient means for residents and children having no way to traverse Community Drive in order to walk to/from Manhasset Secondary School,

Manhasset Valley and Whitney Pond Parks. Also, there is no County Public or School Bus stops for "pull-off" areas. This existing lack of adequate pedestrian safety affects all residents; from school age to seniors.

- f. **Christ Church Parish House:** Occupancy began 10/1/14. A future tour being planned to celebrate the saving of this historic structure.
- g. **Shutters on Town Hall Annex 200 Plandome Rd.:** GC continues to advance Plandome Rd business landlord support to add at least one common colonial design element, window shutters. GC approached Town Hall to support the effort with shutters on its 210 Plandome Rd Annex Building (not a landmark), which the Town estimates at near \$2K. Town says they have no funds available in its \$66Million budget. GC has pledged \$2K for this project to remove Town funding obstacle and get the project underway.
- h. **Repaving Requests:** Still pursuing GC request for repaving of Webster and Orchard, both in poor condition.
- i. **Parking Restrictions on Thompson Shore Rd:** Town approved north side no parking 10am - noon M-F. Proceeding separately to designate NO PARKING on south side of roadway. BCA and majority of street residents supporting the changes.

2. **Secretary's Report:** John W. Walter. The following motion was made and seconded.

Motion: To approve the [October 8, 2014 Draft 2 Minutes \(link\)](#). **Motion carried unanimously.**

3. **Treasurer's Report:** Bill D'Antonio: Checking account: \$4,015.56; Savings Account: \$2,476.77; Total \$6,492.33.

4. **Adjournment:** There being constraints on time, the following Motion was made and seconded:

MOTION: To adjourn the business meeting at 9pm to commence the School Capital Facilities presentation and walking tour. **Motion carried unanimously.**

5. **Manhasset School District Bond For Capital Facilities:** Charles Cardillo, Superintendent.

Tour of Secondary School: Mr. Cardillo led a tour with discussion of the planned capital improvements covered in the upcoming Dec 3rd Capital Bond vote. The Board's 15 member Facilities Committee, which included GC Secretary John Walter, had worked over 6 months to review, prioritize and recommend the most needed and effective projects for the future of the elementary and secondary schools. Far more detail covered in [online School District documents \(link\)](#). The tour focused on Secondary School facilities that achieve more effective use of existing space relieve current overcrowding for what is currently and expected sustained high enrollment in foreseeable future. Space redesign inside the Secondary School provide expanded space for science and the arts, by relocating current District Offices and public meeting facilities to the separate bus garage building. Members were thankful for the 1 hour tour and discussion deemed well worthwhile, and members departed near 10pm.

Respectively submitted:
John W. Walter, Recording Secretary