

MINUTES OF MEETING September 14, 2016

A regular meeting of the Council of Greater Manhasset Civic Associations, Inc. (GC) was held at 8:PM on September 14, 2016 at the Town of North Hempstead Supervisor's Board Room with President, Rich Bentley serving as Chair and Sue Auriemma as Recording Secretary. The following persons were in attendance:

Officers Present:

President: Rich Bentley, Bayview CA
 1st Vice President: Andrew Schwenk, S Strathmore CA
 Treasurer: William D'Antonio, Munsey Park
 Secretary: Sue Auriemma, CASA

Members/Guests Present:

Marion Endrizzi, Plandome Heights CA
 Katie Miller, Chamber of Commerce, CSM
 Barbara Donno, Mayor Plandome Manor
 Dina DiGiorgio, Town Councilwoman
 Donald O'Brien, Manhasset Park CA
 JoAnne Maglione, Strathmore Village CA
 Chris Adams, Blank Slate Media
 Sabine Hairabedian, Shorehaven
 Matt Vavaro, Candidate for NYS Assembly

- 1) **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 8pm by Rich Bentley.
- 2) **Matt Vavaro, Candidate for NYS Assembly:** From Port Washington. Has worked in local government including as legislative aide to Councilwoman Dina DiGiorgio. Has four items of his campaign focus:
 - a) Ethics reforms.
 - b) Tax reform and rethinking economic policy to lower the cost of living and create jobs.
 - c) Reforming and modernizing public school system and keeping tax dollars on Long Island.
 - d) Environmental policies to protect our shoreline and water sources.
- 3) **Councilwoman Kaplan TNH Update:** Update made by telephone to Rich Bentley; Updated TNH Open Items List on GC webpage ([link](#)).
- 4) **President's Report:**
 - a) **1900 Northern Blvd Proposed Loading Zone.** Parking Plan moved Loading Zone from rear (parking lot side) to currently unused spaces on 25A side for improved logistics. 25A side pavement to be painted to Loading Zone; Approved by TNH Board.
 - b) **311 Stats:** YTD volume down 6%, On time completion down 3%. Summer paving in Westbury is done; Paving for Anna and Dina's district scheduled to be paved mid-September. Manhasset Roads for late September. Specific List of Manhasset area roads to be done is on GC website ([link](#)). GC has requested complete 7 year cycle list.
 - c) **Beautification Updates:** Jeff O'Brien not present but reported to R Bentley. Plandome Rd LIRR Overpass painted. Continue to work with LIRR station to update shutters to match trim. Katie Miller reports planters will be moved closer to ends of bridge in response to concerns that they could be used as a ladder to climb over bridge wall; preventing potential fall onto tracks. Chamber's planned plantings were altered because some specified plants were unavailable. Evergreens for winter. January tulips will be planted then back to annuals next summer. 19 planters are out with one on reorder. TNH has begun to address weeds in sidewalks at the request of the Chamber. Andrew Schwenk suggested working with Chamber to redo "Welcome to Manhasset" sign at Mary Jane Davies Green. Support posts are in poor condition. Andrew has estimates for \$2200 and \$2500 to redo the whole sign. Bushes need to be trimmed around sign. Uncertain whether a permit will be needed. Proposal is for GC and Chamber to share the cost of the new sign.

MOTION: To contribute 50% up to a maximum of \$1,250 to replace sign & supports. Made by Andrew Schwenk. Seconded by Joanne Maglione. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

MOTION: To confirm Greater Council's renewal for Summer 2016 Chamber of Commerce's Plandome Road "Adopt-a-Pole" Program at \$200 for two poles; one in Council of Greater Manhasset Civic

Association's name (Near Town Hall Annex Bldg) and one in memory of Phyllis Clark (nearest Northern Boulevard. Made by Andrew Schwenk. Seconded by Sue Auriemma. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

- d) **Manhasset Park District Updates:** MPD Commissioner Paterson reported to Rich Bentley. LIRR contract talks continue. Parking Code enforcement on Plandome Road by MPD not yet feasible; cannot be done by MPD until contractual issues with Town union workers & designated status of MPD workers is resolved; Other IMA awaiting long delayed MPS-Town meeting. Lot 3 changes delayed due to Town approval delays; Work moved to next summer after final approval given by TNH. No meeting date between TNH and MPD has been scheduled yet.
- e) **51 Andrew Street/Town Hall Parking Lot:** TNH parking lot has 15 foot buffer required between parking lot and home. One tree fell followed by Town removing all trees; Now an insufficient visual buffer. The code is clear, but Town is technically exempt from its own code. Supervisor Bosworth assured Rich Bentley that Town will meet with resident to resolve issues with the buffer plan and concerns over 3 new parking spaces Town wants to add.

- 5) **Secretary's Report:** Draft of June 8, 2016 minutes were posted in (link.) Correction submitted by Marion Endrizzi including revising December 9, 2015 minutes to reflect NCPD correct names in attendance. After discussion, Motion made by Andrew Schwenk to approve. Seconded by Donald O'Brien.

MOTION: To accept the 6/8/16 and Minutes as amended. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

- 6) **Treasurer's Report:** Bill D'Antonio reported balances of Checking @ \$2,778.21 and Savings @ \$2,477.46; Total: \$5255.67. The following motion was made by Katie Miller; Seconded by Sue Auriemma:

MOTION: To accept the Treasurers Report as presented. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

7) **Civic Roundtable:**

- a) Strathmore Village CA requesting No Left Turn onto Harrow Lane between 7 and 9am. TNH sending postcards to residents to get input. New President of SVCA is Ann Marie Cerrone.
- b) Plandome Heights Annual Meeting will be held October 20th. County Executive Mangano to speak on State of the County along with GC President Rich Bentley and MPD Commissioner David Paterson. Marion Endrizzi requested that Webster Ave bridge have striping repainted; TNH has now completed the request. Commissioner Donald O'Brien then reported on Plandome Heights that new water mains on Summit and Grandview were installed by MLWD in order to have 4" water main.
- c) Manhasset Park District: New restaurants to open: Umberto's and Publicans. A request was made for change of zoning on Park Avenue, former Gallery Couture. Requested to be medical space. Concerns raised over lack of adequate parking in the vicinity.
- d) Bayview: Project at Thompson Shore Road planting is completed. Bay was dredged. Landscaping complete. Trip to Belmont racetrack being planned in October. "Guys Night Out" is first Friday in November.
- e) Shorehaven requesting road repaving. TNH told them it was a 7 year plan. They would like to know when their roads will be scheduled. Property near bay has been cleaned up by residents after repeated requests to TNH to clean the area.
- f) Munsey Park: MPWC proposing to beautify Waldman Pond Park as they did by selling bricks, benches and plaques. As per Donald O'Brien, Commissioner MLWD: Water Tower being cleaned and then painted by October 1. Inside will then to be painted. Then will be filled with water then tested. Once activated the old tower will be taken down. Should be done by end of November.
- g) Plandome Manor: Town accepted \$1.5MM from Senator Martins but work on culvert has not been done. Work was supposed to begin in March. TNH said DEC had held it up but DEC reports they have granted approval. Dina DiGiorgio will follow up. \$70K Storm drain money was approved but work has not been done. (ADD TO OPEN ITEMS LIST) Village seeing vandalism as are many other areas within Manhasset.

- 8) **New Business:** October Elaine Phillips to present. Adam Haber to be invited as well. First Weds of October for next meeting due to conflict with holiday.

Upcoming Events:

Oct 6th LWV Debates UU Church on Shelter Rock Road

Nov 26th Shop Small

September 28th TNH Kids Safety Day at Mary Jane Davies Park

- 9) **Adjournment:** There being no further business, the following motion was made and seconded:

Motion: to Adjourn at 9:40pm by Donald O'Brien. Seconded by Marion Endrizzi.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Respectively submitted:
Sue Auriemma, Recording Secretary.