



# Council of Greater Manhasset Civic Associations, Inc.

(Greater Council)

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## **Executive Board & Officers 2022:**

*President: Richard Bentley*

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*Treasurer: Donald O'Brien*

*Past President: Ann Marie (Curd) Fruhauf*

## **Member Civic Associations:**

*Bayview Civic Association*

*Flower Hill Civic Association*

*Manhasset Park Civic Association*

*Norgate Civic Association*

*North Strathmore Civic Association*

*Plandome Civic Association*

*Plandome Heights Civic Association*

*Plandome Mills Homeowners Association*

*Shorehaven Civic Association*

*South Strathmore Civic Association*

*Strathmore Vanderbilt Civic Assoc.*

*Strathmore Village Civic Association*

*Terrace Manor Civic Association*

## **Liaisons to Incorporated Villages:**

*Flower Hill*

*Munsey Park*

*North Hills*

*Plandome*

*Plandome Heights*

*Plandome Manor*

## **Other Liaisons:**

*Chamber of Commerce*

*Coalition Against Substance Abuse*

*Coalition for Safer Manhasset*

*Manhasset Park District*

*Manhasset Preservation Society*

## **Agenda: Wed April 19, 2023 @ 7:30pm**

**Town Hall TOWN ATTORNEY's Conference Rm**

*(Enter Andrew St side entrance, up the stairs to 1st Floor Town Attorney Office)*

## **Agenda**

1. **Call to Order**; RoundTable Introductions.
2. **Town Updates**: Updates on any additional current Town topics, including:
  - a. **Councilwoman Veronica Lurvey**; [Town Open Items \(link\)](#) *Written update attached.*
3. **Treasurer's Report**: Donald O'Brien (awaiting receipt)  
Proposed Motion for Purchase of Chamber of Commerce TWO hanging baskets @ \$300
4. **Secretary's Report**: draft Minutes on [GC webpage meetings tab \(link\)](#) for approval.
5. **Old Business Status**:  
**311 Stats**: March stats not yet tabulated  
**2023 GC Officer elections**
6. **Manhasset Chamber of Commerce Update**: Rob Donno.
  - a. **Sewer Project Update**: Plandome Rd Sewer Project and associated Town funding status.
  - b. **Any Bayview residential area project** awaiting finalization of Plandome Rd project plan.
7. **Manhasset Park District Update**: Mark Sauvigne
8. **New Business**
9. **Civic Report Roundtable** (time permitting)

**Upcoming events: ?**

*Veronica Lurvey, Councilmember, District 4*

*Town of North Hempstead Updates for Greater Council Meeting 4/19/23*

*Update on Town Board actions:* Over the last couple of Town Board meetings, the Town Board has approved both a resolution of support of the project and waiving the permit fee to the Great Neck Water Pollution Control District (which they required to begin their work), as well as approved the move of \$3.1m of ARPA funding (after receiving the necessary legal advice). Given the need to disburse the funding properly and (once the time is right) quickly, the Town Board also authorized the purchasing department to issue an RFP for an outside vendor/consultant to structure and oversee a grant (reimbursement) program by which funding will be disbursed to eligible property owners.

*Next steps:* The GNWPCD are great partners in this process. As of the last time we spoke with them at the end of March, the GNWPCD was connecting to the state portal to be able to access the grant funding from Assemblywoman Sillitti. This is a complicated process, and one they need to complete first, before proceeding to the design phase of the sewer main.

Next steps for the Town are to prepare for the appropriate time to release the RFP for the grant consultant.

*Grant (reimbursement) program:* There has been discussion and disagreement over the need for an outside grant consultant. For those who do not attend/listen to Town Board meetings, I'll summarize my position.

A grant consultant will best be able to handle federal regulations connected to ARPA funding that are complicated and involve onerous reporting requirements, in order to avoid a risk of clawbacks (see, for example Hurricane Sandy) and enable the program to move quickly by meeting with stakeholders to design a program that is as simple and efficient as possible, requests that have been made clear by the Manhasset Chamber of Commerce and property owners.

Once the grant program goes live, the goal will be to use the funds to incentivize connections within a certain time frame, so the ability to move quickly and accurately will be critically important.

This is a project that will be a game changer for the Manhasset community, and I'm happy that it is moving forward while I am still in office as Councilwoman for District 4, and I will do everything I can to help it progress before my term is up.