

Wainscott Citizens Advisory Committee (WCAC)
Meeting of February 4, 2017

Member Attendance:

Frank Dalene
Dennis D'Andrea, WCAC Chair Emeritus
Virginia Edwards
Barry Frankel, Co-Chair
Carolyn Logan Gluck
Susan Macy
Rick Del Mastro, WCAC Chair Emeritus
Bruce Solomon
Sally Sunshine
Cindy Tuma
Phil Young

Excused Absences:

Jose Arandia, Co-Chair
Kathleen Begala
Simon Kinsella

Appointed Town Official:

Richard Myers, Chairman, Architectural Review Board (ARB), WCAC Chair Emeritus

Elected Official:

Kathee Burke-Gonzalez, Town Councilwoman, Liaison to WCAC

Members of the Public:

Julie Burmeister, Bridgehampton Citizens Advisory Committee
Sara Davison, Executive Director, Friends of Georgica Pond Foundation
Michael Hansen
Esperanza Leon
Ilissa Meyer
Barbara Raeder
Naomi Salz
Jeff Smith, President, Eastern Region Helicopter Council
Michael Wootton

Housekeeping:

The next meeting will be held on March 4, 2017

Minutes

The January 7, 2016 minutes were seconded and approved.

Liaison Report:

Car Wash

Eric Shantz, Senior Planner is reviewing the applicants revised site plan, which will tentatively be on the schedule for February 15. The submission cannot go to public hearing with the moratorium in place, and the property is still being marketed for sale. As Chair of the ARB, Meyer submitted a letter to the Planning Board addressing opposition to the exit onto East Gate Road. Individuals are encouraged to draft letters to Job Potter, Chairman, Planning Board.

February 7 Work Session

The following legislation will be addressed:

- New code legislation for low nitrogen sanitation upgrades
- Film permitting legislation making it necessary to obtain a permit if filming on private property

Offshore Wind Farm

LIPA's Board of Trustees approved developer, Deepwater Wind's offshore wind farm, slated to be completed by December 2022. The local fishing community has concerns and is a major stakeholder. Information sessions will be held in East Hampton and Montauk in late February/early March.

LIRR Shuttle Service

Councilwoman Burke-Gonzalez attended a meeting with North Fork Planners and elected officials regarding LIRR needs going forward. The South Fork needs shuttle service from Speonk to Montauk in the summer, whereas the North Fork needs more train service on weekends during the fall. The soonest anything would come to fruition would be in 2018. This will be discussed during a Town meeting in late February/early March.

Environmental Sub-Committee

Bridget Fleming and Doug Feldman have agreed to meet with the ESC on Friday, March 24 at 2pm at Town Hall to discuss Private Well Survey and Suffolk County Comp Plan.

Letter to Dodson and Flinker

Councilwoman Burke-Gonzalez reminds the WCAC that copying NYS Senators, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) and/or newspapers is outside the realm of the committee that is an advisory to the Town Board.

Traffic

Councilwoman Burke-Gonzalez will propose a 4-Way stop sign at Wainscott Main Street, Wainscott Hollow Road and 5 Rod Highway to the Town Board on Tuesday. A notice for public hearing will be made at the February 16 Town Board meeting for public hearing on March 16 at 6:30pm. Motion that Chair Emeritus Del Mastro draft a letter in support of the proposed 4-way

stop sign was seconded and approved. This letter should be submitted between February 16 and March 16.

For inquiries regarding the status of speed reduction to 25mph on Wainscott Main Street, members of the public can call Fred Thiele's office (631) 537-2583.

Chief Sarlo coordinates efforts and has a good working relationship with Sagaponack. He is actively trying to coordinate with, and utilize part time police officers who are posted in both EH and SH to monitor traffic.

Committee Topics for Discussion:

Environmental Sub-Committee

Exposure to airborne hexavalent chromium is dangerous. Chair Emeritus Del Mastro drafted a letter, dated January 18, 2017 requesting that the Suffolk County Department of Health Services test the air quality in East Hampton. Going forward, the ESC will look into county versus local testing.

Traffic Sub-Committee

Chair Emeritus Del Mastro will follow up with Chief Sarlo regarding data compiled from speed signs currently up in Wainscott, and the cost of purchasing additional speed signs.

Town and Committee Updates:

Code Enforcement Contacts

Kelly Kampf, Assistant Director of Public Safety (631) 324-3858/kkampf@ehamptonny.gov
Betsy Bambrick, Director of Code Enforcement (631) 324-3858/bbambrick@ehamptonny.gov

Department of Highways

Member Solomon and Chair Emeritus D'Andrea herald Stephen Lynch, Highway Superintendent and his crews cleanup efforts as exceptional and very responsive.

Councilwoman Burke-Gonzalez notes that the Cease and Desist letter that was written in regard to Main Beach Surf and Sport operating a business in the rest area on the north side of Georgia Pond by Montauk Highway was sent to the Village of East Hampton, but the rest area is part of East Hampton Town and not the Village. A copy of that letter is not in the Town file. The State has jurisdiction over enforcement, not the Town.

Building Department

Member Delane received a permit to begin his demonstration project to be fossil fuel independent. Councilwoman Burke-Gonzalez reports that building permits are currently taking 3 weeks, and CO's are taking 1 week to be issued, with expediting as needed.

Energy Sustainability

The resolution for a public hearing to increase state requirements of HERS energy index on homes or renovations that are 4500 sq. ft. or over was discussed. A motion for member Dalene to draft a letter for circulation and approval by the WCAC in support of "A LOCAL LAW amending Chapter 102 (Building Construction) to adopt HERS Rating Energy Conservation Requirements" was seconded and approved.

Other Business:

Hamlet Study Revision

In an attempt to establish a dialogue with John Tintle, owner of Wainscott Sand and Gravel, the WCAC seconded and approved revised wording of the Hamlet Study to be resubmitted to the Town. Tintle will be invited to attend the March or April meeting. The Hamlet Study will be going to the Planning Department this month, with a Work Session scheduled in March.