

# *Flanders, Riverside and Northampton Community Association*

Approved  
General Meeting Minutes  
March 26, 2007  
Submitted by Doris Schneider

Call to Order, Pledge, Roll Call: The Flanders, Riverside, Northampton Community Association Meeting for March 26, 2007 was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Michael Brewer. Executive Board members Michael Brewer, Michael Sacco, Doris Schneider, Laura Smith, Barbara Swislosky, Ellen Rausch and Eugene Rausch were present. A quorum was declared.

Old Minutes: The minutes from February 26, 2007 were read and a motion was made by Michael Brewer to accept the minutes without corrections, seconded by Ellen Rausch.

Treasurers Report: Eugene Rausch reported a balance of \$13,120.67. LIPA bills to be paid, we received a credit from LIPA. Checks were paid for coffee pot, March mailing, magnets and the Christmas party. Motion made by Michael Brewer to pay all outstanding bills, seconded by Doris Schnieder. All were in favor.

## Correspondence:

Bills from LIPA and Insurance received.  
Letter from United Way.  
Tom Neeley, Director of Public Transportation and Traffic Safety.

## Announcements:

Chrisy Prete needs 180 signatures for the School Board election, the petition for signatures was passed around for members to sign.

Flanders Little League: A business or individual can have their name on a sign for a donation of \$100.00.

Blue Waves Reunion (from 1925 to 1997) will sponsor a fund raiser for Peconic Bay Medical Center on September 1, 2007 from 7 PM until Midnight. Tickets are \$75.00. For information, call 548-8477.

The Southampton Town Board is seeking volunteers to serve on the Board.

Southampton Justice Court is considering a Fourth Town Justice, to serve a four year term beginning January, 2008.

Resolution 318 – Solar Electric rebate has been extended from 12-31-06 until 12-31-09.

The scholarship deadline is April 1, 2007. Graduating seniors or college students from our community are eligible for this award.

Cedric Brown, who is related to Flanders resident Thelma Brown, was wounded in Iraq and received the Purple Heart on 2-21-07 for his service. Recognition from FRNCA was also discussed.

## Committee Reports:

Audit: Deadline to be met for 501(c) (3) – Not for profit civic association.

Beautification: We have no information as this date for the GEEC, Great East End Cleanup.

River Cat Walk needs cleanup. There have been several complaints of littering at this site.

Code Enforcement: Violations discussed. Some of the issues are the shopping carts left in many areas with

garbage, dumping trash, multiple vehicles parked, street lights out. The problem at 3841 Lake Avenue has been addressed and cleanup is in progress.

Education: Ellen Rausch reported the School Board Meeting will take place on Tuesday, 3-27-07.

A motion was made by Michael Brewer at 8 p.m. to waive the normal of business in order for Councilman Nuzzi to speak, seconded by Ellen Rausch.

Councilman Chris Nuzzi addressed the membership on many issues, including the parks project, the Big Duck being returned to Flanders and the River Cat Walk project. There are issues with the DEC concerning the Cat Walk project being close to the Bay and wetlands.

Code Enforcement was discussed and questions were taken from the floor. He also discussed earlier issues, dumping, vehicles, shopping carts, etc. Cost of disposing of large articles, such as TVs, couches, chairs, appliances. Fees should be posted for removal of such articles.

A fourth Justice for Southampton Town Court was brought up. Also adding hours and night court so that citizens do not have to take off from work to attend court.

Fair rental laws – getting landlords to be responsible for garbage removal of tenants.

A motion was made by Michael Brewer to resume the normal order business at 8:45, seconded by Doris Schneider, all were in favor.

Government: Wildwood Lake Project – 75 foot bathing beach- outdoor showers, life guard and stand.

April 26, 2007 – Flanders Northampton Ambulance will have an Open House at 6 PM and a meeting at 7 PM at the ambulance building.

Membership: Laura Smith reported that we have 73 new members, but that there are approximately 50 members who have not renewed their membership. Discussion to follow through on obtaining renewals.

Bigger postcards announcing our meetings with more detailed information will be sent out.

Nominating: There have been no nominations for the Board as of this date.

Old Business: River Cat Walk – Hotel and Conference Center covering 20 acres on the north side of Flanders Road. Peconic Bay Keeper and the DEC have raised concerns regarding septic system.

Senator LaValle's secretary called to inform us that he is very busy at this time, but will address our issues concerning the school district aid as soon as possible.

Northampton Signs: It was suggested to ask the Town to help with the cost of the signs.

New Business: A letter from NWA was sent to Southampton Town Supervisor Skip Heaney addressing many of our problems and issues to date.

It was discussed to have a fence put up around the Big Duck site for safety purposes, as the barn is collapsing and should be fenced off to avoid anyone being injured.

Michael Brewer made a motion to have \$10.00 raffle tickets two times this year, in June and December, seconded by Michael Sacco, all were in favor. This money is to be used for the scholarship fund and special events.

The Riverhead Firehouse Bond has been passed. This will cause Northampton taxes to be raised.

The 50/50 raffle was won by Ellen Rausch.

Michael Brewer made a motion to close the meeting, seconded by Laura Smith. All were in favor.  
Meeting adjourned at 9:15 PM.