

*Flanders, Riverside and Northampton Community Association*

Approved  
General Meeting Minutes  
May 21, 2007  
Submitted by Doris Schneider

Call to Order, Pledge, Roll Call: The Flanders, Riverside, Northampton Community Association Meeting for May 21, 2007 was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by Michael Brewer. Executive Board members Michael Brewer, Doris Schneider, Laura Smith, Barbara Swislosky and Brad Bender were present. A quorum was declared.

Old Minutes: The minutes from April 23, 2007 were read and a motion was made by Michael Brewer to accept the minutes with corrections, seconded by Brad Bender.

Treasurers Report: Michael Brewer reported a balance of \$14,264.16.

Bills outstanding were:  
LIPA - \$868.00  
Post Office - \$40.21.  
Water - \$18.85  
Refreshments - \$25.00.

Michael Brewer made a motion to pay all bills, second by Doris Schneider, all were in favor.

Correspondence:

Letter regarding our Not for Profit status was received. It will be reviewed in the order it was received.

There will be a dinner at The Vineyard honoring Bobby Goodale on June 16th. Tickets are \$50.00.

Michael Brewer made a motion to purchase two tickets, seconded by Laura Smith, all were in favor.

CAC meeting for May 23, 2007 has been cancelled.

Announcements:

Carl Iacone attended the welcoming ceremony for Diane Scricca the new Riverhead Superintendent of Schools.

The Riverhead School budget for \$99.537 million was passed on the first vote.

Chrisey Prete and Mary Ellen Harkin were reelected to the Riverhead School Board.

The Town of Southampton speed limit for Old Quogue Road has been reduced from 40 MPH to 30 MPH. Speonk Riverhead Road from 55 MPH to 50 MPH.

Basketball courts and tennis courts in the Ludlam Avenue park will be resurfaced. There is a \$150,000.00 bond for this purpose.

Michael Brewer made a motion at 7:25 p.m. to waive the normal order of business in order for Suffolk Legislator Jay Schneiderman to speak, seconded by Brad Bender.

Jay Schneiderman spoke regarding the homeless sex offenders living in trailers on the grounds of the Suffolk County Jail.

He first gave us the good news that Flanders Northampton Volunteer Ambulance will receive reimbursement of \$300.00 per call to the Suffolk County Jail, totaling approximately \$30,000.00 annually.

Mr. Schneiderman explained to the Association that the Department of Social Services (DSS) is responsible for housing of the homeless in Suffolk County, including the homeless sex offenders in our area. These homeless sex offenders have been housed in hotels costing approximately \$200.00 per night.

They are to be confined to the trailer from 7:30 p.m. until 8 a.m. the next day. The trailers have been moved to the parking lot of the Suffolk County Correctional Facility (SCCF). They are not occupied at this time, as they are still in Westhampton, where they have been since February, 2007.

The trailers are very close to a senior housing area in Westhampton, and Mr. Schneiderman has received many complaints from those residents. The plan is to move the trailers every few weeks, but that doesn't seem to be happening at present.

Megan's Law requires registering sex offenders, and they must report any change of address within ten days of moving. The local law enforcement agencies must be notified of any change of address. However the sex offenders cannot be forced to live in the trailers, as they are not incarcerated.

There will be a Legislature Meeting at the Riverhead County Center on June 26th at 9:30 a.m. All are encouraged to attend this meeting and express their thoughts, concerns and objections regarding the placement of the trailers in our area.

Mr. Schneiderman answered many questions from the floor. It seems there is no easy solution to this problem, and that County Executive Steve Levy and the DSS, who devised this plan, are standing firm on it.

It was suggested that we find out exactly how many of these sex offenders, both homeless

and otherwise are living in our area, and if there is a limit as to the number of sex offenders living in each area of the County.

Michael Brewer made a motion at 8:40 p.m. to return to the normal order of business, seconded by Doris Schneider, all in favor.

The FRNCA scholarship was awarded this year to Jasmine Aceituno, a Senior at Riverhead High School. A check for \$1000.00 was given to Ms. Aceituno, who is graduating this June. There will also be a second presentation at the high school awards ceremony in June.

Committees:

Beautification: Brad Bender has completed the plantings for the welcoming Riverside sign located near the Library.

Education: Michael Sacco

Code Enforcement: Barbara Swislosky

Membership: Laura Smith

Special Projects: Michael Brewer.

Holiday Party: Kenny Rausch has volunteered to look into booking the Flanders Mens Club for our Holiday party.

Annual Picnic: Ellen Rausch and Mr. & Mrs. Borrelli.

Dates of the picnic and Holiday party will be discussed at the next Executive Board meeting.

Old Business:

Spring plantings on the two corners to be finalized.

The ribbon cutting ceremony is to be held at the Riverside corner.

Laura Smith will be calling the membership in regard to renewals.

The Community Preservation Fund (CPF) was discussed. 84% of our land is not on the tax rolls, but there is some question regarding the amount of relief we can expect.

New Business:

Goals of our Association were discussed. Some ideas are to see what can be done regarding the LIPA rate increases.

Broadwater was again discussed.

New Project suggestion: Redesigning of the traffic circle.

Raffle: The 50/50 raffle was won by Santino Tomaino.

Closing: A motion was made by Michael Brewer to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Fran Iacone. All were in favor. The meeting was closed at 9:05 pm.