

Flanders, Riverside and Northampton Community Association

APPROVED
General Meeting Minutes
February 23, 2009
Submitted by Patty Hopkins

Call to Order, Pledge, Roll Call: The Flanders, Riverside, Northampton Community Association Meeting for February 23, 2009 was called to order at 7:05PM by Michael Brewer. Executive Board members Michael Brewer, Eugene Rausch, Barbara Swislosky, Brad Bender, Laura Smith, and Patty Hopkins were present. Marianne Fitzgerald arrived at 7:30. A quorum was declared.

Old Minutes: The minutes from January 26, 2009 were read and a motion was made by Michael Brewer to accept the minutes with corrections, seconded by Laura Smith, all in favor. Copies of our minutes are available only through a written request to the secretary. They can also be reviewed on our website.

Treasurers Report: As of January 31, 2009 there is a balance of \$9,485.76. A motion made by Michael Brewer to pay all bills, seconded by Laura Smith, all in favor.

Motion made by Michael Brewer, seconded by Brad Bender to waive normal order of business in favor of our guest speakers, Scott Lambeck, Flanders Fire Department and Southampton Town Councilperson Sally Pope.

Scott Lambeck from the Flanders Fire Department reported that Governor Patterson would cut \$42 million dollars from the 2009-2010 State Budget which would come from the Stony Brook Hospital's Burn Unit. This unit is the only burn unit in Suffolk County. A discussion followed and a petition to keep the Unit open was passed around to those present. It was also mentioned that the State Troopers Barracks in Riverside would be locked at night.

Town Councilperson Sally Pope gave some information on the Parkview Mobile Home Park. Parkview is considered commercial property which has a different value than residential property. Also Macleods Mobile Park is also listed as commercial property. Mrs. Pope will follow up this up. Ron Fischer reported Priscilla Avenue flooding. Problem has not been resolved yet through Town Highway Supervisor William Masterson's office. Sally Pope said she hears what we have to say and will bring our concerns back to Town Hall. Chris Sheldon asked if the Town Board would hold any future meetings here in Flanders.

Motion made by Michael Brewer to return to normal order of business, seconded by Brad Bender, all in favor.

Announcements/ Correspondence:

Water's Edge Civic Association did not come forward with \$100.00 for the Flanders Little League Team.

A motion made by Brad Bender to donate \$200.00 for a Flanders Little League Team and \$100.00 for a FRNCA sign for the little league ball field, seconded by Barbara Swislosky, all in favor.

The application for the Crohan building use for the year has been approved.

Michael Brewer will write a letter concerning LIPA increase.

The interview deadline is February 27th for those interested in Planning Board, Zoning Board, or

Conservation Board appointees.

Land Management will post applications of proposed development. If posting is successful, zoning and planning board notices will be posted also.

Friends of the Big Duck meet the 1st Tuesday of the month. Next meeting is March 3, 2009. Plans for the Spring Fling will be discussed. Possibly for May 2nd.

Committee Reports:

Beautification: Brad Bender reports the Great East End Cleanup will be in April. More news next month. Brad also took a positive show of hands if there was an interest to have a Spring Flower Bulb Fundraiser. 2nd Northampton Sign to be installed is just waiting for better weather. The County is still working the flag pole on the circle. Replanting will have to wait. Brad needs to update those who are on the committee. Please give him your email or phone number. There is a possibility to start a "help your neighbor" program, i.e., painting, raking, grass cutting, etc., for those who are unable to do it themselves.

Code Enforcement: Barbara Swislosky will mail information on the 24 street lights that are out to Councilperson Anna Throne Holst. Follow up at next meeting. Ongoing resident problem now resolved. The people in the house in question on Brown Street have been evicted. Newsday received a letter sent to the watch dog column regarding the purple packs thrown all over the hamlet.

Membership: Time for renewal.

Nominating: Members need to come forward.
All other committee reports are waived.

Old Business:

Blood Drive was a success. 57 pints were collected.

Riverhead Ladies Auxiliary sponsoring a breakfast at the new firehouse.

Riverhead Town Supervisor Cardinale was starting a lawsuit regarding homeless sex offenders staying in the area. It would be a good idea if Southampton Town joined in the suit with Riverhead.

New Business:

A new lighted sign is needed in front of the Crohan Center. The old one is one sided and cannot be seen clearly from the East/West directions.

50/50 Raffle: Was \$72.00. \$36.00 was won by Barbara Swislosky.

Closing: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Michael Brewer, seconded by Marianne Fitzgerald. The meeting adjourned at 9 PM.