

**Hampton Bays
Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting
Minutes**

Date: Thursday, April 20, 2023

Location: Via Zoom

Time: 7:00 PM

Committee Members Present: Colvin Cumberbatch, Victoria Firemark, Gayle Lombardi, James Mackin, Michael McCullough, Amy Schmersal Paradise, Gail Shepard, Christine Taylor

Committee Members Absent: Margaret Friedlander

Elected Officials Present: Southampton Town Councilpersons Rick Martel, Cyndi McNamara

Other Officials Present: Paula Godfrey, Southampton Town Legislative Aide

Other Attendees Present: Ed Paradise

Call to Order

- ❖ Acting Chairperson Amy Schmersal Paradise called the meeting to order.
- ❖ Secretary Gayle Lombardi called the membership roll. A quorum of members was present.

Councilpersons' Update

- ❖ Councilperson McNamara introduced changes to proposed accessory apartment legislation that was discussed at the Town Board work session earlier in the day. Councilperson McNamara forwarded draft information to Gayle Lombardi to circulate to the CAC members and encouraged the CAC to watch the video of the work session.
- ❖ Councilperson McNamara reported that there will be a press conference sponsored by the Town of Southampton on May 22, 2023 for summer safety week. Announcements will be made; all are welcome.
- ❖ Councilperson Martel discussed the formation of the Bel-Aire Advisory Committee. The first meeting date and names of appointees are pending. Councilperson Martel further discussed some possible concepts at the site including the use of the site, potential land swap with the Trustees, and the source(s) of funding.
- ❖ Councilperson Martel discussed the use of the CPF property versus Town-owned property. The committee requested clarity specific to the use of the property at Good Ground Park, the former Chamber building and Cannuscio walk.
- ❖ Councilperson Martel reported that the responsible parties at the Town administration are looking into and following up on reports of the clearing of land by Good Ground Park.

Liaison Reports

Waterways – James Mackin reported that the Coast Guard Auxiliary are conducting vessel checks, new boaters training, and other services to ensure boating safety and protection of our waterways.

HBBA - Victoria Firemark and Colvin Cumberbatch contacted the president of the HBBA, Susan vonFreddi, and will interface with the HBBA starting in May.

HB Chamber of Commerce - Christine Taylor, president of the HB Chamber, reported that they are working on membership renewal drive and had a very successful Easter Egg Hunt event at Good Ground Park.

HBCA – Amy Paradise and Gayle Lombardi reported that they attended the March meeting. Margaret Friedlander presented information on the Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS). Gayle Lombardi and Christine Taylor reported that they participated in HBCA committee meetings during the month and reports will be given at the April meeting.

HBSD – Gayle Lombardi reported that she has made contact with Lars Clemensen, the Superintendent of Schools, as the liaison with the School District. Gail Shepard raised a question about construction vehicles by the tennis courts. Gayle Lombardi will follow up with Lars Clemensen.

Zoning Board of Appeals – Gail Shepard reported most were requests for minor variances at this time.

Hampton Bays Downtown Revitalization Community Survey

❖ Tabled until further action by the Town Board

Hampton Bays Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI)

❖ Tabled to a future meeting with time permitted.

Sewer Treatment Plant/Sewer District Discussion

❖ Tabled to a future meeting with time permitted.

Governor Hochul's Housing Compact Plan and State Legislators' Proposals

❖ Tabled until there is a final decision made at the State level.

DEC Water Infrastructure Webinar for Municipalities

❖ Tabled to a future meeting with time permitted.

39 W. Montauk Highway Site Plan

- ❖ Committee members discussed parking lot reconfiguration proposed to mitigate parking deficiencies. The site plan included cross access parking with the post office parking and Chase. The public hearing was Thursday, April 13, 2023 with a 10-day write-in period. Gayle Lombardi, Amy Paradise, and Gail Shepard reported that they spoke at the public hearing as individuals. The committee members raised concerns about the safety of the cross-access specific to the Chase egress, the lack of overall parking, and the interaction of shopping carts, cars, and pedestrians in the small space.
- ❖ Gayle Lombardi volunteered to draft a letter and circulate it to the committee via email for review and approval to submit on or before April 23, 2023. Motion passed unanimously

Downtown General Parking

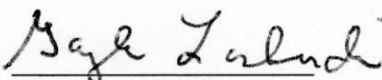
- ❖ The committee discussed the need for a municipal parking area for employees and shoppers in the downtown area.

Proposed May Agenda Items

- ❖ Proposed Accessory Apartment Legislation
- ❖ CVS Site Plan
- ❖ BESS Moratorium/Site Plan(s)

Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully submitted,



Gayle Lombardi
2023 HB CAC Secretary

Dated: 5-16-2023

Approved by members at the meeting via email