

EAST QUOGUE CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING (EQ CAC)

Meeting Minutes

January 8, 2025

Bay Avenue Marina Building, 6PM

Cathy Zembetti, Chair, called the meeting to order. Cyndi McNamara, the EQ Town Board Liaison, was in attendance.

1. Updates on Current Proposals before Southampton Town Board:

Cathy Zambetti reported that there are no new updates on Serenity Fields or Bridge Petroleum. Dockers (94 Dune Road Holdings Corp) meeting with Planning Board on January 9, 2025. Possible update after that meeting.

2. Main Street Business Updates:

New **Moon Café property is currently for sale.** Goldberg's has moved to 674 Montauk Highway, but will keep a small coffee/ice cream shop in its current location.

3. Landscaping and Beautification Updates:

Christian Connolly spoke about a proposed Parks District for East Quogue. Rough numbers were shared, as were ideas for where the funds would be applied. The trees along Main Street are a concern as is funding for the Beautification Committee. Christian has been in contact with other East Quogue organizations as well as members of the Advisory Committees for the Water Mill Parks District and Hampton Bays Parks District. Questions about tax implications were asked. Brian Babcock will reach out to community members and media to gauge support. Christian Connolly will reach out to the EQ Community pages on social media. The EQ CAC is supportive of a Parks District. Invitation to other East Quogue Community Groups to join an upcoming meeting where we will further discuss a Parks District will be discussed at our February meeting.

Main Street trees and weeding were discussed. The six urns that line Main Street were discussed. Debby Tennyson asked about the possibility of volunteers planting urns to reduce costs and have savings put toward other EQ landscaping needs.

4. Budget Discussion with Ms. McNamara

Ms. McNamara discussed an increase in the grant for the urns from \$6,500 to \$7,000. A discussion about a boardwalk at Turtle Cove took place.

5. Other Business:

Holiday on Main: Official attendance unconfirmed, though business owners and community members are very happy with the turnout. Difficult to gauge attendance with the extension this year. The Beautification Committee did a great job with the tree lighting.

6. Community Events:

Westhampton Rotary Club Spaghetti Dinner: January 26, 2025 from 1:00PM - 7:00PM at Baby Moon.

We welcome Christine Grant-Connolly as our new secretary.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:15pm.