

ad hoc meeting with Cmsr. Ralph Bayard and DPW head Andy Baran.

Purpose: Discuss greenhead box trap placement, beach fill and recycling.

Attending for HTA: Rob Nehring and Ted Stiles

Date: Thursday, January 31, 2008

Location: LBT Municipal Building

The Township plans to deploy greenhead traps at an earlier time than previous seasons; possibly by May 15th. They will concentrate placement of traps along the Holgate border with the Refuge and in the salt marshes. In addition, traps will be placed at street ends on the bay, adjacent to commercial establishments and at some ocean beach entrances.

Southern Regional High School will be approached by Cmsr. Bayard to build more traps. Andy stated that his men would also construct some traps; quantity depending on budget.

Ted Stiles recommended that all traps be outfitted with a 5X7 plastic sign that explains the purpose of the trap and displays a unique number. Once numbered, the traps can be inventoried. This will facilitate tracking and maintenance of the traps.

Filling of the severely eroded beach at the end of the Holgate parking lot is ongoing. The Township is moving a lot of sand (that naturally collects north of the wood jetty) to the eroded area south of the jetty. Geotubes (black plastic bags filled with sand) are being strategically placed at the site to limit erosion and capture drifting sand. The Township seems very committed to the effort. They have greatly improved the parking lot and road at the wood jetty, as well. See photo.

Rob Nehring asked for another bike rack to be placed adjacent to the wood bench that overlooks the wood jetty. Many cyclists ride up to the area and lean their bikes against the wood bench, making it difficult for others who want to sit on the bench. A bike rack may help.

The LBT recycling effort needs to be improved. To that end, the Township has announced that there is no need to separate paper. Township produced stickers that may be affixed to property owners' trash barrels will remind homeowners and renters alike which paper products may be commingled. Here are the new rules:

No need to separate newspapers, magazines, junk mail or mixed office paper. The following items may be placed in a 32 gallon container and placed at the curb on your recycling day:

- junk mail
- corrugated cardboard
- newspapers with inserts

- computer paper
- magazines
- empty brown paper bags
- school papers

The following items **SHOULD NOT** be placed in the container:

- cereal boxes
- pizza boxes
- plastic boxes
- trash
- phone books

The ad hoc meeting ended positively as all parties felt a good deal of useful information and ideas had been exchanged and discussed.