

## HOLGATE TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION TRUSTEES MEETING – APRIL 8, 2017

ATTENDEES: Tom Beaty, Yanni Kaloudis, Marianne Hurley, Al Vallese, Bob White, Rand Pearsall, Frank Lowry

CALL IN: Dan Macone, Bill Cannon, Eileen Bowker, Bill Hutson

ABSENT: Ted Stiles

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 AM by Dan Macone. A quorum was established. Rand Pearsall made a motion that the minutes of January 8, 2017, meeting be approved. The motion was seconded by Marianne Hurley and unanimously approved.

Dan Macone made a special mention of the outstanding job Rand Pearsall did in developing, conducting and compiling the results of the LBITP Member Survey and for coordinating and documenting the proposed changes to the by-laws.

### HOLGATE MARINA DEVELOPMENT INFORMATION:

Denise and Brian Tierney presented the status of Holgate Marina proposal to the LUB allowing a setback variance from 25' to 10' for a continuous 270' multi dwelling structure on Tebco Terrace. Their neighbors group of approximately 30 people is looking for HTA support at the June 14<sup>th</sup> LUB meeting and any further discussions on the Holgate Marina Plan.

### BY-LAWS COMMITTEE UPDATE:

The committee will be sending updated By-laws to all Trustees in the next few days for their approval by an email vote. After the By-laws are approved by the HTA Trustees, they must be mailed to each HTA member thirty days prior to the June 10 HTA Membership meeting.

### LBITP SURVEY:

Rand Pearsall stated that the HTA membership is extremely interested in the LBITP status, as indicated by the number of responses totaling 211. The survey was a successful undertaking and the reliability of the data and ability to receive member's opinions will provide the Trustees with a clear and decisive tool for future use. Many members shared comments relating to the survey questions as well as other subjects. The survey clearly shows that the HTA should publicly oppose any and all zoning variances with respect to the development LBITP site.

Dan Macone will draft a letter to Robert Muroff letting him know the results of the survey and suggesting we work together to conform to current zoning ordinances in developing the LBITP property.

Rand Pearsall made a motion, seconded by Tom Beaty and unanimously approved that the results of the survey, with charts, be posted on the HTA website with an email notifying all survey respondents that they can find the results on the website.

Dan Macone made a motion, seconded by Yanni Kaloudis, to approve a \$1,000. line item in the budget for the HTA to retain an attorney to enable the Association to read a statement expressing HTA's position at future LUB meetings, with reference to zoning variances in Holgate.

The vote was not unanimous, each member was polled and the motion was approved.

Voted yes, Dan Macone, Tom Beatty, Bill Cannon, Yanni Kaloudis, Marianne Hurley, Frank Lowry, Al Vallese, Rand Pearsall, Bob White. Voted no: Eileen Bowker, Bill Hutson.

### TREASURERS POLICY AND BUDGET PROPOSAL

Bill Cannon has submitted the attached Budget for Trustee approval by email vote.

There are now 219 members thru March vs 303 members in 2016 for the entire year.

Bill Cannon made a motion, seconded by Tom Beaty that \$1,000 for Community events be listed as a line item in the budget. This was unanimously approved.

The following Policy Proposals were presented by Bill Cannon and accepted by the Trustees.

1. To the extent that a Trustee incurs more than \$600 in services from an individual or company he or she shall first procure a IRS form W-9 before committing or otherwise binding the HTA to the payment of such services.
2. The President, Treasurer and any other Trustee is prohibited from the payment of an invoice in excess of \$600 without first getting a W9 from the individual or company who provided such service. Additionally, the President, Treasurer and any other Trustee is prohibited from reimbursing any Trustee or person for services provided to the HTA without first getting a W9 from the individual or company who provided such services.
3. Any Trustee or person requesting reimbursement for moneys spent on behalf of the HTA shall provide reasonable documentation of the expenses incurred such as an invoice. The President, Treasurer or any other Trustee is prohibited from reimbursing any Trustee or person without reasonable documentation of such expense. All requests for reimbursement shall be made within 60 days of the incursion of such expense.

#### DUNE CROSSOVER VEGITATION UPDATE:

Dan Macone presented plans for planting dune crossovers at Susan, Pershing and Washington plus finishing Jacqueline. There is also a request to do plantings around the barrier at the north end of the south parking lot. Dan suggested we try to work with the LBT on the parking lot planting area. Target date for planting is May 20th. Dan stated that the "Captains" (Pam Lowry, Frank Benintendo and Rand Pearsall) for each beach entrance must complete some preliminary background work in the next couple of weeks before the plantings can go forward. About 25 volunteers will be needed to do the plantings. Dan has corresponded with the "Captains" on what needs to be completed and will contact Bryce Bennett, Landscape Architect, for updated plans. The trees, shrubs and grasses need to be ordered and a drop off location selected for storage of the plant materials. Estimated budget is \$800/ each beach entrance, \$200 to complete Jacqueline plus additional money for materials needed for planting and plants for the parking lot area plus the architect's fee. In the future, we should be able to use the existing architectural plans for all new dune crossover plantings. The Trustees approved a budget of \$3,500.

After reviewing size and number of donations for dune crossover plantings from members, there were 7 people that gave \$200 or more. They will be recognized by Yanni Kaloudis in the Spring newsletter.

#### GREENHEAD TRAPS UPDATE:

Bill Hutson discussed plans for repairs and maintenance. The Trustees approved a budget of \$3,000.

#### SUPPORT TEBCO TERRACE GROUP OPPOSITION FOR VARIANCE REQUEST HOLGATE MARINA

Bob White made a motion, seconded by Yanni kaloudis that HTA Trustees support the master plan for building lots and oppose any major variance change requested by Holgate Marina at the LUB June 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. Rand Pearsall will draft a letter confirming HTA support to be sent to Denise and Brian Tierney, 50 Tebco Terrace, Holgate, NJ 08008. Motion unanimously approved.

#### UPDATES:

Dan Macone gave report on issues raised by members after talking to Commissioner Bayard about them.

1-Inlet Road staining will be covered with a slurry this spring.

2- Janet Road pump station will not be constructed until the fall.

3- A walkway for Rosemma Ave. beach access will not be installed and the access will be kept natural, with no hard pack. This is the result of a request from some very vocal neighbors.

4- There are currently no paving projects scheduled for Holgate, even though there are many street ends along the Boulevard that are a hazard for cyclists and pedestrians. Commissioner Bayard asked for a list. Dan will do this when he returns to LBI in May, taking a picture of each intersection that requires paving.

5-Flooding problem from resident on Magnolia, will send pictures sent to Dan.

6-Discussed major problem in Holgate of keeping people from walking and driving on the dunes. There needs to be more signs, but Commissioner Bayard feels there are enough. Some people will need to be fined to make sure they understand they must stay off dunes and not damage dune grass.

We need to have additional conversations with Commissioner Bayard about policing and keeping people off the dunes. There are no split rail fences or fencing of any type in Holgate to keep people off the dunes. There should be more signs on dunes. This should be a major project for HTA. We should consider contacting Mayor Mancini about options.

**SPRING MEMBERSHIP MEETING:**

Date June 10 at 1:30 PM

Location- municipality building courtroom (normal venue)

Complete event form for LBT - Dan

Prepare and send Spring Newsletter, late April – Ted and Gianni

Purchase insurance policy – Bill

Invite Mayor and Commissioners – Dan and Gianni

Refreshments- Eileen Bowker

Motion to Adjourn, Gianni Kaloudis, second Rand Pearsall. Meeting adjourned at 12:31 PM