

June 13, 2009

The meeting of the Holgate Taxpayer's Association was brought to order at 10:07AM by Ted Stiles. Meeting was held in the Long Beach township Municipal Building.

Mayor Mancini was introduced and the first question from the audience came from SalPamieri regarding the greenhead flies as well as our over abundance of mosquitoes and what if anything could be done about them. He suggested contacting the DEP, EPA, etc., as a group. He stated that Commissioner Bayard has contacted the mosquito commission and that they offered no solutions to the problem..as he stated we are at the mercy of the state. Beach replenishment was the next issue and he stated that Harvey Cedars was the next in line with most likely Brant Beach to follow. Holgate has only 25% of the needed beach front write offs. A heated dispute followed between Mayor Mancini and Ron (Jolly Roger) stating that the public was not getting the clear information from the township as to the height of the dunes, and if this was clarified perhaps more people would be willing to sign on. Mayor Mancini insisted that the public has the information.

Commisioner Bayard was introduced and congratulated and thanked for all of the work that he has accomplished in Holgate from the park to the parking lot. He stated that he realized the residents would like to see more swings in the playground and that they would check to see if any money could be found to install more swings this year. Dune fencing is done. He was asked if the town can rake the beach area at the playground and he stated "no", however, residents were free to do so. More garbage cans were needed and he stated he would look into that. A sign that was installed at the tennis area was destroyed by a knife, and he asked that residents be on the alert for any vandalism and to contact the police immediately to see if this could be ended. He was also asked to have the township week<sup>ly</sup>wack the grass around the fly traps in the fields as the 'flies needed access' to the traps and the bait which we asked the township to update every 4 to 6 weeks.. Additional 9 greenhead traps from Mainsail Program were on order.

It was also felt that we needed a committee regarding the traps on marshes one that would interact with the Mosquito Commission which also has a green head committee. It was stated that we have a descent amount of money in our treasury and should consider looking into having an intern work with our association regarding the greenhead problem. The best source of information for an intern would come from Rutgers. 'Jack' also volunteered to follow through with Stockton to see if there was any interest in working with us. It was also motioned, and seconded to allocate some funds for a handyman who would check on and repair the traps in the marshes for rot, etc., a figure of \$500.00 was approved. We also stated that the traps were to be rebaited every 4 to 6 weeks. It was also motioned to put up

\$1,000. To get more traps and to put this out to bid to see how many traps we could get. This motion was then changed to allow up to \$2000. to get more traps. Marge and Al took over the job to oversee bidding. We were also asked to look into putting them on the beaches.

Instead of having a clean up day on Holgate's Boulevard it was mentioned that it should be moved to the Bay Beach Park instead. This clean up would occur on June 27<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Bayard stated that the town would provide bags and gloves for the participants.

It was also stated that we were trying to start a Neighborhood Watch Program and that Marianne Hurley would head it if enough people would become involved. Ted Stiles said that he would get a map of Holgate to see exactly what our streets are and how many people we could get interested in from at least every 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> street. More information, hopefully, to follow.

These minutes are being sub mitted, but have not been approved by committee.

Marianne Hurley

Donations made by the Holgate Taxpayers Association

**SOCH \$100**

**Long Beach Township Beach Wheel Program \$100**

**Beach Haven First Aid Squad \$150**

**ALO \$50**

**Beach Haven Fire Dept. \$150**

**Coast Guard Rescue Boat of LBI \$100.**