

# MONTAUK CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

## MEETING MINUTES

June 5, 2023

**Members Present:** L. Barnds, T. Berger, T. Byrne, D. Ceva, J. Chimples, R. Cortell, C. Cortese, L. Cortese,, T. Creel, T. Flight, D. Freudenthal, B. Grimes, A. Harris, D. Hausman, J. Iacono, J. James, L. Michaels, P. Monte, S. Sennefelder, L. Siedlick, R. Silver, M. Tripp, K. Tyler, R. Weiss,

**Members Absent:** L. Creegan, L. Daunt, J. Fowkes, , S. Kalimnios, D. Monahan, M. Waterman, K. Weiss. C. Yula

**Guests present:** D. Hickey

Motion to approve May minutes: R. Cortell 2<sup>nd</sup> A. Harris

**Community Organizations:** Chamber of Commerce – Farmer’s Market every Thursday on the Green 9-2  
Concerts – Monday night starting soon; July 4 Fireworks Umbrella Beach; Viking Fireworks Cruise;  
Montiki doing Fireworks display

Surf Month at **Library** - Wm. Finnegan to discuss his book

**Mtk Artists** – 10 shows coming up

**Montauk Historical Society** – July 13 – Concert at Lighthouse – Rufus Wainwright – July 10<sup>th</sup> Craft show

**CCOM** – Summer Soiree July 12 – at Gurney’s

Ocean Swim – July 23

**Councilperson’s Report:** David reported that Sylvia Overby is dealing w a medical issue and our thoughts and good wishes are extended to her. Her liaison duties have been delegated to other council persons.

**Events** – Town of East Hampton celebrating 375th anniversary w Parade on 9/22. June 10<sup>th</sup> history function on Town Hall complex 1-5 pm.

STOP East Hampton 6/17 at Springs Recycling Center 9-2

Public hearing about 395 Pantigo Project which are 16 individual homes (affordable) 1<sup>st</sup> large ownership of affordable homes since 2015 Greenhollow project.

Town Board approved trail extension – North Neck – Culloden – Glenmore

Acquisitions: 12 S. Fey St; 41 Upland Rd 2.5 acres – preserve open space

Sidewalk clean up – reaching out to business owners to be responsible for keeping their public places free of litter

Garbage pails – deciding upon weight & strength – David will move forward in purchasing for downtown Mtk.

Trees are being cut back throughout the Town

As a result of an unfortunate medical emergency, 3 AED devices were donated to Lifeguards by a Mr. Plotkin. We also have AED devices at all Little League fields.

Second House Renovation – Town is reviewing bids

Second House Road Roundabout – still checking it

Rob Connelly – new Town Attorney – hired 1 month ago – Jilnicki will be staying on as assistant.

Trees on Napeague – concern from members – David said he is attempting to get the DOT involved

Beach Report – Beach replenishment has been completed ; lifeguards not fully staffed – anyone know of someone who would like to apply?

Beach fires – extensive promotion needed to discourage fires

Cemetery at Ft. Hill Montauk to be extended – Elise Prado will head up committee.

**Airport Subcommittee** – Airport litigation and increasing attorney’s fees – discussion of “contempt charges” and TRO imposed by Judge – Town of East Hampton vigorously oppose the Judge’s rulings – revenue to pay these “fees/fines” not coming from taxed residents but from usage of airport facilities. Town being fined \$1k a day for a law that has been in effect for 15 years. Town asked helicopters to turn down rotors – Judge saying we cannot use airport revenues. Question: is Town getting sound legal advice on how they are addressing the airport situation?

**Wastewater Discussion**

Discussion followed- apparently no other site has been approved – this (Hither Woods) is the only site but the parkland alienation deal is definitely a “no go”. Yes we need “wastewater treatment” but no to any swap of “parkland”.

**Other Business:** Dirt lot needs to be redone; stop work order on 2<sup>nd</sup> lot of behemoth bldgs. Due to a 25’ recession of dune – Can Town look into purchase? Or condemnation?

RR crossing on Industrial – needs attention.

Motion to adjourn: J. Chimples – L. Cortese

Respectfully submitted:  
Linda Barnds

**NEXT MEETING JULY 10 6:00**  
**MONTAUK LIBRARY**