

WAINSCOTT CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE



Meeting of October 7, 2023

Members of the committee:

Carolyn Logan Gluck, Chair

Jose Arandia

Lori Anne Czepiel

Dennis D'Andrea

Hersey Egginton

Anthony Liberatore

Pamela Mahoney

Barry Raebeck

Bruce Solomon

Sally Sunshine

Phillip Young

Excused Absence:

Barry Frankel

Elected Official:

Councilwoman Sylvia Overby

Invited Speaker: Tom House, President, Hamptons Pride and Gustavo Bonevardi, artist and architect, "Hamptons Pride Wainscott Green Proposal"

Members of the Public:

Stacey and David Brodsky

Julie Burmeister, Bridgehampton Civic Association

Vincent Covello and Carol Mandel
Tracy Coyle
John Cullen
Sara Davison, Friends of Georgia Pond Foundation, Executive Director
Cynthia Del Mastro
Jennifer Del Mastro
David Doty, East Hampton CPF Citizens Committee. Commissioner, Suffolk County Planning Commission
Bradley Howe
Rona Klopman, Chair, ACAC
Marian Lindberg
Jaine Mehring, Member, ACAC, Founder, Build.In.Kind
Tanya & Richard Nevins
Lee Schlissel
Jon Stoner
Rob Stuart
Jen Tanzmann
Christopher Walsh, The East Hampton Star
Lori Weinstein
Mike Wright, The Press News Group

Meeting opened at 9:06 by Chairperson Carolyn Logan Gluck. She gave a big welcome back to Councilwoman Sylvia Overby. Minutes from August and September were approved. Events coming up including an Oct. 14, 2pm historical talk on migrant labor camps by author Mark Torres at the Chapel. The Town's postponed 375th Anniversary parade is Oct. 14 at 10 am. Tom House, Hamptons Pride president and Gustavo Bonevardi, artist and architect, presented the Hamptons Pride proposal on the Wainscott Green site of the Swamp and previously the Attic. The site will commemorate 25+ years of LGBT+ history in the area. The proposal would include a stone wall, triangular dance floor with song titles from the era, shaded memorial walking path, and pink disco balls stacked as a pyramid of cannonballs. Questions were posed about the height of the dance floor and the pink disco balls. Design recognizes the effects of the AIDs crisis on the community. The design will be shared with the Building Dept. for review and then presented to the Town Board per unanimous recommendation of the WCAC. On June 1, 2024 EH Village will host its annual Pride Parade.

Councilwoman Overby gave her liaison report. She didn't have anything to report on the Gun Club; attorneys are communicating with the other side's attorneys. Barry Raebeck reviewed the main topics of the letter he drafted coming from the CAC to the Town Board in opposition to reopening the Gun Club. Anthony Liberatore proposed that we vote on approving the letter shared with the Committee. A question was asked about the Montauk Coast Guard Station

personnel's use of the range. The letter makes an exception for use by the Police and other agencies. Anthony questioned whether Police training for active shooter situations would be better accomplished in a structure. There was consensus that the municipal property presently leased and cleared by the MGC would be better utilized by a solar array, for example. Bruce Wayne Solomon stressed that any decision should have public safety as a primary requirement. According to Sylvia any lease agreement would be subject to public scrutiny. She is of the opinion that the appraisal values of the property should be shared with the public. Anthony asked Sylvia for a commitment that there be a public comment period if and when there is a lease agreement. She committed to informing the Committee so that there will be an opportunity for public comment. A motion to send the letter was made and approved.

On Oct. 28th at 6 pm, at the Atlantic Avenue Coast Guard station in Amagansett there will be a presentation on the history of rum runners on the East End by David Cataletto, Town trustee. There was a discussion of the Airport SuperFund site presentation made recently at a Town Board work session and the citizen participation plan. It was reported that the NYS DEC will direct the citizen participation plan. If individuals want to be added to the distribution list for future information they should email Nick Rigano at nrigano@riganollc.com. 2024 Budget information was presented to the Town Board. Kevin Cooper presented to the Board on Code Enforcement. Sylvia reported that integrating compliance enforcement among all relevant departments has improved their productivity.

Traffic modification in Wainscott will be put on the agenda for November. A motion to forward the slate of WCAC members and chair for 2024 to the Town Board was made and approved. Sylvia reported an uptick on car thefts in Southampton. ARB starting public hearings on agricultural overlay and historic district applications. WCAC agreed to adopt Wainscott NW Rd. From Wainscott Stone Rd. To Industrial Rd. As part of the Town's Adopt-a-Road program on behalf of the Litter Action Committee.

Meeting adjourns at 11:45.