

November Newsletter 2014

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2014 Meeting Dates:

First Tuesdays

Nov 4

**Don't forget to
VOTE!**

**(before coming to
meeting)**

Dec 2

Civic Speaker

ROCKY POINT CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

October 7, 2014 ~ 7:30 PM to 9:10 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call of Officers and Trustees

Present:

President - Kathy Weber

Recording Secretary - TBD

Corresponding Secretary Pat Adamko

Treasurer - Maureen O'Keefe

Sergeant at Arms - Charles T. Bevington Ed.D.

Trustee - Virginia Heslin

Trustee Susan Bevington

Absent, Excused: Honorary Trustee - Ann Reynen, Vice President - Maria Farley, Membership Secretary - Jeff Carlson and Trustee Rory Rubino

Reading of Minutes of Previous Meeting were deferred.

Report of Officers

Treasurers Report: Maureen O'Keefe

October 1, 2014 balances

Checking \$1,751.01
Savings \$901.22
Petty Cash \$20.33
Total \$2,672.56

Maureen O'Keefe shared that the Civic Association only brings in about \$1,100 per year and that this barely covers the insurance. She stated that we have donated a bit this year but we should refrain from doing so again until we consider some sort of fundraising.

Member Joe Saunders asked that the Civic donate \$500 to the VFW for use of the facilities. He stated that this was important and it was critical for Civic to donate. Dr. Bevington respectfully asked Joe Saunders to withdraw his request and bring it up again in January 2015. Mr. Saunders agreed that he would do this.

Maureen O'Keefe repeated that the Civic sponsored Farmers Market was a breakeven endeavor at \$2,600. The Farmers Market income and expense is a subaccount of the overall Civics accounts. On the whole, the income does not cover expenses and there are too few funds to donate. Presently any approved donation is being paid out of savings.

New member Michelle Brown asked how the Civic was promoting its meetings. She was unable to find info about this meeting on Facebook but did acknowledge that the website had the date/time listed. Kathy Weber shared that she was the Facebook manager.

Dr. Bevington shared the time he spends a few hours creating a newsletter and he would restart it in the near future. In the past, 40 went out by regular mail and the rest by e-mail. He would like to make this entirely PDF and delivered by email only.

Membership Report: Jeff Carlson. There was no membership report this month as the membership secretary was absent.

Corresponding Secretary Report: Pat Adamko

Ms. Adamko read a variety of correspondence including:

Free mammography screening at Fortunato Breast Health Center

A thank you note from Trinity Lutheran Church regarding our recent donation

Town of Brookhaven - Romaine - Budget 2015 Info was available for those that were interested in seeing it

Town of Brookhaven Zoning Appeals - Two Rocky Point Locations on the agenda— one on Magnolia and another on Brightview Drive

Cope Report: Read by Maureen O'Keefe

There were approximately 14



2014 Volunteers

**Rocky Point Civic
Association**

**President - Kathy
Weber**

Vice President -

**Treasurer - Maureen
O'Keefe**

**Recording Secretary -
Corresponding
Secretary Pat Adamko**

**Sergeant at Arms -
Charles T. Bevington**

**Membership Secretary
-Jeff Carlson**

Trustees -

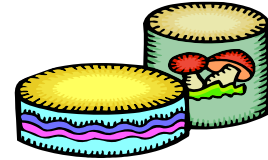
Rory Rubino,

Virginia Heslin,

and Susan Bevington

**Call for members' \$10
Annual and \$15 Family
Dues Renew Now—
PLEASE RENEW NOW**

**Bring Pantry items
each meeting...**



**Rocky Point Farmers Market: May through the Sunday before Thanks-
giving. Find more info at [www.rockypointfarmsmarket/
Wordpress.com](http://www.rockypointfarmsmarket/Wordpress.com) Sundays 8AM—1PM May through Nov**



Rocky Point Civic Association's Rocky Point Farmers Market receives a Certificate of Appreciation from Speaker Sue Wilk. (Left to Right: Virginia Heslin, Sue Wilk, Kathy Weber, and Dr. Charles Bevington)

This is the third year of operation. The market is a community-based project that represents a significant shift toward more healthy, fair, affordable, and green methods of production (no GMO's), distribution, and/or consumption. The Farmers Market is a local innovative "hand grown or hand made" set of practices that empower and engage local farmers and artists. The artisans and agricultural vendors are: • Community-based • Representative of a significant shift toward more healthy, fair, affordable and green methods of production, distribution and/or consumption • Are innovative along the supply chain • Local impact that brings healthy food to an area, builds community capacity and local economies.

Be a part of the 2015 steering committee: contact Charlie or Virginia cbevingt@optonline.net We are meeting Thursday November 6th at the North Shore Library at 7:30PM in the activity room.

incidents in the Rocky Point area during the month of September. These included theft, assault, vandalism, and burglary. Many of these were on Locust Drive.

Land Use: Maria Farley There was no report this month.

Farmers Market Committee: Dr. Charles Bevington This year we had 16 vendors and we budgeted and received exactly what we spent. We had between 400-500 visitors every Sunday in July and August. The HarvestFest brought in approximately 3000 visitors on the Harvest Festival . A big thanks to everyone who has helped with the Farmers Market.

Guest Speaker—Susan Wilk, Project Coordinator Creating Healthy Places in Suffolk County

Susan spoke extensively about the roller-coaster ride she has been on for the past five years. She was responsible for securing a 1.4 million dollar grant. She goes into communities and partners. She helps to establish community gardens, farmers markets, child care centers, parks and trails, and small grocery stores.

She doesn't believe in starting a project that won't be successful. Susan shared a survey that was done these past summers at our market. The DOT survey was done on 7/27/13 and 7/28/14.

She shared info on the WIC and Snap benefits and how signs have been created to help visitors to the market know that these "cards" are accepted by vendors. Susan also spoke about the senior \$4 a month benefit and how seniors could find out how to participate.

There was a brief brainstorming session on how to get the word out to seniors who may not be on the web and/or out at local meetings to hear about this. Susan asked the Civic to think about a "wish list" and also shared that bike racks would be installed in the near future. This was a collaborative effort between the Town and her organization.

Guest Speaker—Mr. Anthony Palumbo, Assemblyman. Anthony Palumbo is in the 2nd Assembly District He spoke about small business and property ownership, taxes and making LI more affordable. Discussion followed regarding a number of topics including Common Core, equality for women and hydro fracking.

New Business

Kim Tucker from Sara Anker's office share that the TIP funding for Rails to Trails is in place. She also spoke about cyberbullying and shared a website: suffolkstopbullying.org. She also stated that the legislature voted to ban powdered caffeine to anyone under 18 years old.



Kim Farley from Jane Bonner's office talked about an upcoming event—pating. She mentioned the upcoming Polar Bear Plunge in November pating. Kim also stated that Ms. Bonner was able to meet with the su-walks on the west side of Prince Road in front of the shops. Member ranging for the eWaste pickup.



Paint the Town Pink—and asked for partici—and that the councilwoman would be partici-pervisor and secure funding to do the side-Deb Hryvniak thanked Jane's office for ar-

Joe Cognitore mentioned that there would be an upcoming food drive for needy Veterans.

Old Business

The nominating committee presented their slate: Susan Wilson for treasurer, Jeff Carlson for membership secretary. There were no nominations for recording secretary.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 4, 2014.

Good and Welfare of the Association. There were no announcements.

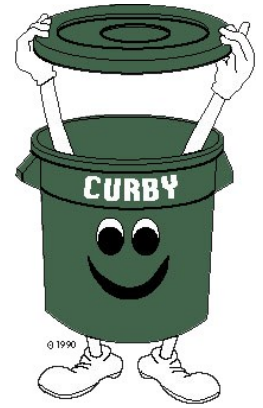
Motion to Adjourn

Dr. Charles Bevington made the Motion to Adjourn. The motion was seconded by Susan Bevington.

Motion passed by members present.

Single Stream Recycling Reduces Costs

“Single-Stream” recycling means there will no longer be separate pick up days for various items. You can place your recyclables all in ONE CONTAINER. Every Wednesday please place all of your paper, glass, plastics, cans, cardboard into one container. Not only are we making it easier by allowing residents to use one container, but we are now accepting more recyclable items, including plastic containers labeled # 1-7. Y (Thank You Jane and Thank you Edward!)



Rocky Point Civic Association would like to thank

District 2 Councilwoman Jane Bonner,

Highway Superintendent Dan Losquadro,

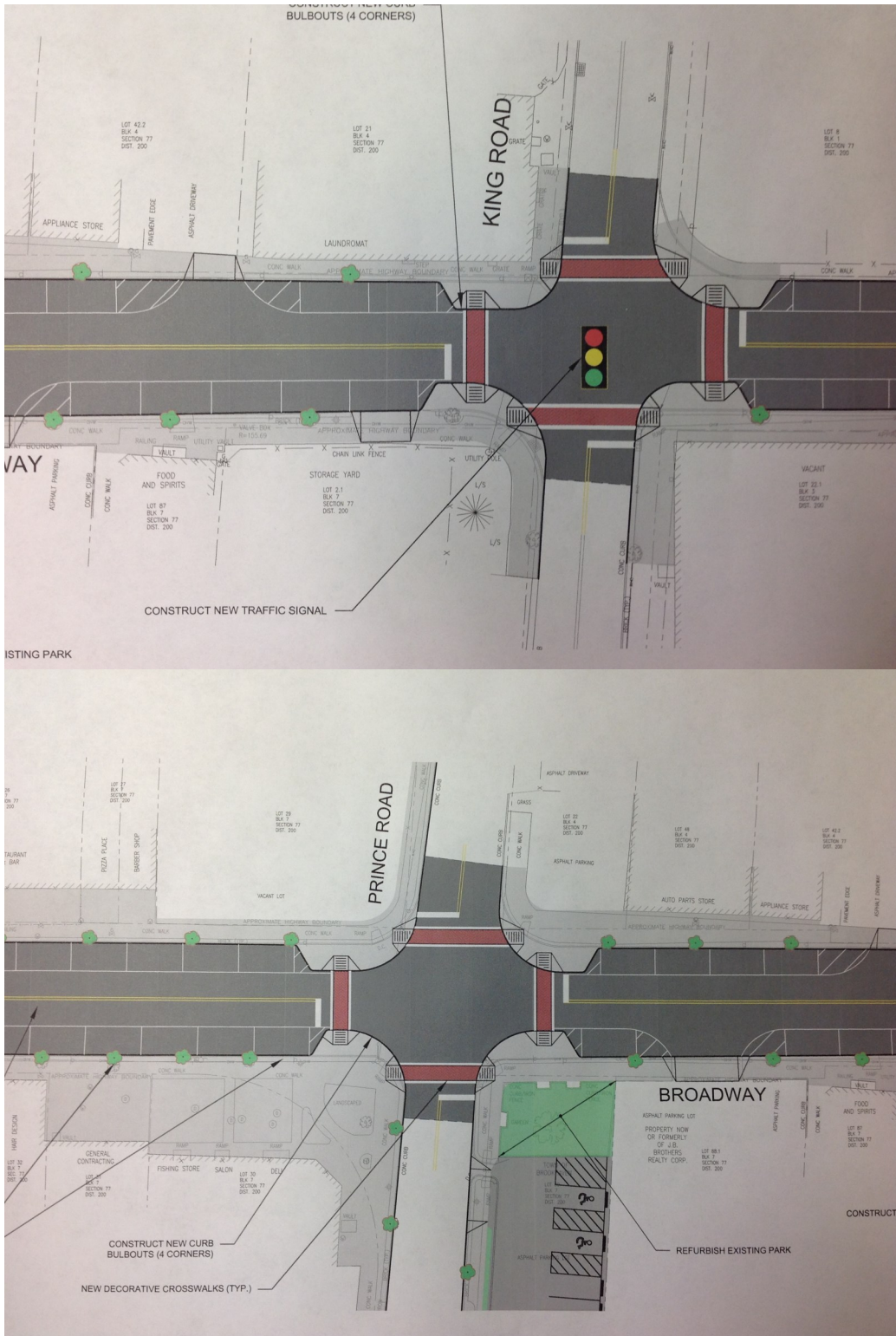
Supervisor Edward P. Romaine and

Senator Kenneth LaValle

for supporting the downtown revitalization project.

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Suffolk County Legislature unanimously approves Rails to Trails fund Allocation

Hauppauge, NY, September 2014 –The federally funded Port Jefferson-Wading River Rails to Trails appropriation of funds for the planning, engineering and construction was unanimously approved by the Suffolk County Legislature at the September 9th Meeting of the full Legislature. The 10 mile green trail project, which started over 15 years ago, will proceed to the design stage. At this stage, the local community will provide input which will be vital to meet the residents design desires.

“The Rails to Trails project continues to be long process, but I am thrilled that the funds for the design planning stage have been approved. The proximity of the trail will support our local businesses, and compliment the Tesla Museum and downtown revitalization of Rocky Point,” said Legislator Anker. “Last year a resident was struck and killed by a car as she jogged along Canal Road in Mt. Sinai. The trail will provide a place where all residents, especially our kids, can use to enjoy the outdoors in a safe place.”

“It's great, long overdue,” said Wading River Civic President Sid Bail. “I look forward to the next phase, the actual construction.” “If we don't move forward and complete the trail, another state will take the funds and do their own trail,” Anker said. “This is a once in a life time opportunity to enhance the character of our north shore. It's an opportunity we can't turn down.”

Suffolk Unanimously Approves Anker's Coastal Erosion Task Force

Legislator Sarah Anker's resolution to address erosion on the north shore of Long Island has passed unanimously at the September 9th Meeting of the Suffolk County Legislature.

The bill, which was introduced at the July 29th Meeting of the Legislature, calls for a task force to develop strategies that will protect the north shore's infrastructure and environment from the effects of coastal erosion. Legislator Anker will chair the task force which will also include seven environmental experts from federal, state, and county departments.

County representatives include Suffolk County's Division of Planning, Soil and Water Conservation District, and Department of Public Works. On the federal level, U.S. Department of Agriculture will provide environmental specialists from the National Resource Conservation Service in addition to representatives from the First U.S. Congressional District. On the state level, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) and Stony Brook University's School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences (SoMAS) will lend their expertise.

“After meeting with local residents it became evident that more needed to be done to prevent erosion along the north shore,” said Legislator Anker. “It's been nearly two years since Superstorm Sandy impacted Long Island, but the effects of the storm remain evident in many of the communities within my district where properties have lost up to 30 feet of prime real estate. It is imperative that we prioritize this issue and address coastal erosion with every possible resource.”

The Task Force will have 120 days to deliver its findings to the Legislature and the County Executive for review.

Speaker: To be Determined

Civic Responsibility =
Vote your choice



Tuesday, November 4th

Pledge of Allegiance 7:30 PM

Roll call of Officers and Trustees

Reading of prior Minutes

Report of Officers

Report of Committees

COPE Report

Speakers

Old Business

Adjournment 9:00 PM



Who to call? List of important numbers

*Police and Emergency: 911 and Address:
400 Middle Country Rd, Selden, NY 11784
Phone:(631) 854-8600 Non emergency
852-COPS*

Fire Department(631) 744-2390

*Dangerous road complaint? Pothole repair
call Highway Superintendent Losquadro
(631) 451-9200, (631) 732-2584, fax*

*For Councilwoman Jane Bonner:
451-6964, phone / 451-6447, fax
councilwomanbonner@brookhaven.org*

*For Supervisor Brookhaven Ed Romaine:
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