

**Amagansett Citizens' Advisory Committee**  
**April 11, 2022**  
**Regular Meeting at Amagansett Grade School**

**Members Present:** Rona Klopman(Chair), Dawn Brophy(Secretary), Jaine Mehring, , Amanda Merrow, Michael Diesenhaus, John Broderick, Michael Jordan, Gail Jordan, Lena Tabori, Bob Thompson, Shari Thompson.

**Liaison:** Peter Van Scoyoc

**Call to Order**

**Approval of the Minutes-**

John Broderick and Bob Thompson seconds.

**LIGHTING COMMITTEE**

**Lighting Committee Report for Main St. and Parking lot– Chair John Broderick**

John Broderick reported that he visited East Hampton Village at night to assess their lighting. John states that Amagansett needs a coherent plan with a warm and welcoming feel by well-placed lanterns below the tree line. Cannot be accomplished using the current cobra lights where illumination is the only goal. John would like a voice with the Natural Resource Dept. and Town hired lighting engineers to be certain that the committee's concerns are addressed, as this is a once in a lifetime chance to get it right. ACAC's vision is for a plan to include new lights from Brents store to Gansett Meadows, including the Amagansett parking lot, which could include solar lights.

Peter Van Scoyoc agrees with John's assessment of replacing Cobra lights, which will ultimately save East Hampton Town money and to have John Broderick involved in future lighting sessions. Lighting engineer – Gus Gonzo.

Peter Van Scoyoc explained that the light engineers will provide the town with an initial map of the historic lighting district which will include inventory of current light placement which will be compared with town's list. The lighting engineers will recommend a plan which may include smart technology and LED lights with dimmers etc. EHT will put up a test light at Atlantic Ave beach lot where the public can look and provide input.

EHT will look at the projected costs which will determine what can be done as far as solutions. Currently the town is saving \$120,000 in districts where new lanterns have been placed. Kim Shaw will be going to all the CAC's to discuss lighting when appropriate. John reiterated that he would like an opportunity to be included for meetings with the Natural resource team and engineers for the Amagansett Community to have input early after results of first survey.

## **WORK SESSION**

Route 114 and Stephan Hands Path, NYS will be improving intersection with dedicated turn lanes for all directions to help with traffic safety and flooding.

NYS Infrastructure work going on for drainage improvements on Montauk Highway including Amagansett. Dawn Brophy mentioned condition of pavement by Amagansett train station crossing.

Route 114 is being repaved. Also, section from Montauk Village to Light House.

Airport – PPR required rules and regulations for the season. Under NYS law – town will be doing an environmental impact study of how initial PPR's will affect air traffic and environment concerns in order to fine tune and get to the right balance. Rental Cars will continue.

SCOPE – 500 comments received that have been categorized concerning airport.

Town will meet in Public but also offer Hybrid meetings.

Public Hearing on Clearing on April 21<sup>st</sup>.

Open Meetings law has been suspended through 2024. Legislation permits continuation of Hybrid meetings.

## **Discussions**

Potential sidewalk parking plan at Indian Wells Beach may help with safety of pedestrians walking to and from beach. General feeling is that this is not a great idea. Lifeguard event will be at Atlantic Ave Ocean Beach during the summer months.

Fire Marshal Dwayne Denton and assistant Emergency Preparedness Coordinator for Town passed away. Many ACAC members were at the funeral.

555 property needs a sign stating that driving on property not permitted for general use. Vehicle access needs to be explained.

Road Cleanup should be reimplemented. Jaine Mehring is organizing a two-mile clearing.

## **OLD Business**

### **Amagansett School – Seth Turner**

AWARD –District has been awarded the 2022 Elementary School of Musical Excellence Award by Suffolk County Music Educator Association whereas music teacher Cindy Kamp and Principal Maria Dorr will receive the award on June 10 at SCMEA end of the year reception in Brookhaven. District is proud of all students and Cindy Kamp for excellence in music and Ms. Kamp deserves credit for lifting up our music program.

EH Community Housing committee met and discussed long term solutions for employee housing situation on the east end.

School Calendar - May 10<sup>th</sup> at 5pm Districts budget information meeting. The district will also mail out newsletters with budget information to the community.

District school vote is 2pm -8pm Tuesday May 18<sup>th</sup>.

### **Jaine Mehring**

ZBA – Hearing for 60 Sea Breeze, Amagansett, Jaine Mehring offered comments on scale and scope of project.

425 Cranberry Hole Road, new development application was denied.

369 Cranberry Hole Road – application to move house back from water because of erosion.

Real Estate Transactions – 325 Bluff Road

72 Further Lane corner home is on the market.

12,000 plus Septic Systems still need to be upgraded in the town. Best systems are Fuji Clean and Hydro Action. 10 milligram per liter of nitrogen average for new systems compared to old systems of 65 to 75 milligrams per liter.

Planting update on Indian Wells RPC valve. Still needs to be addressed. Need to speak to Michael Cinque. Rona will send Michael an email.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Bury the Lines**

Next ACAC and community project might be to get the electrical lines buried on Main Street, as Montauk has done and as Wainscott is doing. A District needs to be created which would then pay for the work to be done. Bury the lines and Lighting project may be able to be combined to one project. Would be voted on. Peter Van Scoyoc would help.

Wainscott Advisory committee did an update on airport noise. Anthony Lipitori set up a website that you can visit.

Shari Thompson – AVIS – photo contest 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Community wide events every month. Currently Capture Amagansett photo contest– photos can be posted to AVIS website. Library would like to be involved. [keepamagansettbeautiful.com](http://keepamagansettbeautiful.com) for entry form.

#### **Lena Tabori- Energy Sustainability Committee .**

Webinar is now on YOUTUBE. Electrifying heat and cooling systems.

Southampton Town has banned gas leaf blowers.

Energy Sustainability - Composting is encouraged.

Change EH Org. to create a pollinator garden at Town Hall, to be a model for community.

Discussion about natural turf and Synthetic Turf for sport fields.

Could Recycle center be open to accept hazardous materials more often?

**Next Meeting** - May 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM / American Legion

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**Motion to Adjourn**

John Broderick and Janie Mehring seconds.