



Council of Greater Manhasset Civic Associations, Inc.

(Greater Council)

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Bayview Civic Association
Flower Hill Civic Association
Manhasset Park Civic Association
Norgate Civic Association
North Strathmore Civic Association
Plandome Civic Association
Plandome Heights Civic Association
Shorehaven Civic Association
South Strathmore Civic Association
Strathmore Vanderbilt Civic Association
Strathmore Village Civic Association
Terrace Manor Civic Association

Liaisons to Incorporated Villages:

Flower Hill
Munsey Park
North Hills
Plandome
Plandome Heights
Plandome Manor

Other Organization Liaisons

Coalition for Safer Manhasset
Chamber of Commerce
Manhasset Preservation Society

Next Meeting December 12, 2012

Onderdonk House 8 PM

Greater Council Minutes 11/14/12

A regular meeting of the Council of Greater Manhasset Civic Associations, Inc. was held at 8 PM on November 14, 2012 at the Town of North Hempstead's Town Hall Law Library in Manhasset, New York with Rich Bentley serving as Chair and Joanne Spencer serving as Recording Secretary. The following persons were representing their civic associations, organizations or communities:

Officers Present:

President: Rich Bentley
Bill D'Antonio: Treasurer

Members Present:

Valerie Lauriello, Bayview
Margaret Schwarz, Terrace Manor
Joanne Spencer, Terrace Manor
Jim Brooks, Manhasset Park
Barbara Donno, Plandome
Marion Endrizzi, Plandome Heights

Guests Present:

Katie Miller, Chamber of Commerce
Pat Grace, Manhasset Press

- I. **Prior Minutes**-A motion was made and seconded to approve 10/10 minutes. Motion Carried Unanimously.
- II. **Treasurer's Report**-Mr. D'Antonio reported a balance of \$2,988.56. Annual dues invoices will be mailed.
- III. **President's Report**-Rich Bentley
 - a. **North Shore Alert**-Kudos to PMOEM - the only reliable daily information source.
 - b. **Compliments**-Anna Kaplan and Saberet Samet were available throughout the crisis to provide assistance. Their dedication should not go unnoticed.
 - c. **Report Compromised Trees and Poles**
 - i. Compromised trees on public areas and pole damage should be reported to 311.
 - ii. Compromised trees on your property can be removed but you must apply for a permit afterwards.
 - iii. Private yard & small tree debris under 4' will be picked up curbside on yard debris day. Larger volumes from public trees will be collected town-wide by Hwy dept throughout the month. Your tree cutting contractor must remove the tree debris.
 - iv. 311 on-time completion rate obviously declined during the storm.

- IV. **Open TNH Items**: Individual items on the list were discussed.

Parking Committee: Members asked the President to write a letter to Town. Include objection to the MPD IMA draft agreement, highlighting significant concerns on MPD's traditional lack of transparency, and to pursue re-establishing a collaborative study/ planning committee process. Committee must share its progress with the community in Manhasset Press as it proceeds.

- V. **Adjourn**: A motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Upcoming Dates: GC December 12 Mtg at Onderdonk. Judy Bosworth & new police precinct leader.
MPD's Christmas tree lighting is December 7.

Respectfully submitted by Joanne Spencer

Greater Council Summary of Open TNH Items

Topic Last Known Status

Plandome Road Vision Project: [5/1 Community Meeting Summary \(link\)](#) and updated [Community Feedback Summary \(link\)](#) posted on GC 'Our Projects' tab. TNH completed a Plandome Rd business area repaving project in Aug 2012. Follow-up needed on (1) Repainted crosswalk designs were the standard staggered stripes (not the expected more decorative crosswalk designs) and (2) The SB Pland Rd left turn lane onto EB 25A was actually shorted from its prior length causing even more car queue-up congestion on Plandome Rd; TNH recognizes error and is in process of having Turn Lane repainted. **Councilwoman Kaplan announced at the 10/17 Bayview Civic meeting that the TNH has abandoned the Safe Routes to Schools Grant because NYSDOT adamantly required use of highway grade asphalt 4 times more expensive than necessary. DOT recommended TNH reapply for other NYS grants that would allow use of standard grade asphalt.**

Apple Bank: Variance for current non-conformance proceeds through BZA process.

Plandome Rd Parking Task Force: A TNH planning group formed to study/discuss a comprehensive approach to resolving chronic Plandome Rd area parking issues met on 7/24. GC requested document meeting summary; no summary created. **Draft TNH IMA with MPD relating to Plandome Rd parking meters provided for GC comment. A TNH Public Hearing is likely in Dec 2012.**

Village Bath: TNH Site Plan Review Public Hearing was 9/12/12; TNH voted on 10/2/12 to approve. [GC Website \(link\)](#). **Daffy store now vacant and their plans for new tenancy remain in bankruptcy process. Adjacent bldg construction proceeding. Both result in far less parking demand thru this winter. Torkan reports he met with neighbors and TNH twice since then; Residents requests under consideration including but not limited to: additional curbcut onto Northern Blvd (TNH is developing options); Awaiting desired fence detail from neighbors.**

Orchard Street Parking: USPS truck parking still problematic; Ms. Kaplan's office in discussion with USPS and Chamber concurrently working to identify & propose alternative USPS truck parking location(s), such as County DPW garage and parking lot on Maple Street, opposite Manh Valley Park. Requested yellow curb paint at USPS Drop box. TNH is continuing efforts for Alt USPS truck parking location. **D O'Donnell meeting with USPS today re: Moving curbside Drop Box to a location already marked as no parking in order to maximize available shopper parking.**

Onderdonk Ave Traffic Calming: TNH approved 8/21/12 Don't Block the Box at Apple Bank lot entrance. TNH advancing Stop Sign & Crosswalk @ George St. Difficulty getting NCPD Accident history for Onderdonk. **Not on TNH agenda yet.**

Bayview Ave Infrastructure: Long term plan, based on BCA's 1995 study highlighting the deteriorated Bayview Ave roadbed. TNH Board engaged architect for conceptual design alternatives to then be included in TNH 5 year capital plan. Architect has initiated design work. **Ms. Kaplan met w/residents at BCA 10/17; to meet again with architect concepts late winter 2012.**

Christ Church Parish House: More info on [MPS website](#). M Puntillo reports NCPD and NYSDOT process done, now just awaiting TNH permits. Wants to start work in Dec, depends on when the TNH permits are issued w/ hopes for a mild winter.

Plandome Pond Park: Awaiting D DeGiorgio update for installing water aeration devices to alleviate stagnant water condition/mosquitoes, and fence post replacement.

Norgate / Sunset Chapel Issues since 6-4-10: 22 Norgate, owned by the Steinbergs of Sunset Chapel, remains abandoned and an eyesore to the community. TNH took owner to court to enforce a restrictive covenant but was postponed TNH attorney's office is working on coordinating the enforcement of legal requirements previously imposed on the owners. TNH to issue imminent letter for immediate new shrub buffer plantings. Town Attorney advised defendants obtained an adjournment back on April 27, 2012, expected back in court. **TNH Attny now seeking TNH Board auth to commence add'l legal action.**

Valley Park Reconstruction: Short term 3way STOP sign at Maple/Bayview installed July 2012; long term intersection plan being advanced. Park Plans online "Our Projects" tab [GC website \(link\)](#). Work began Aug 2012 with completion by 12/31/12, but deferred comfort station/concession, playground & field light installs due to multi-year sport org contributions. GC requested timetable clarification for dredging. **Equinox parking lot agreement in legal process – [GC to discuss TNH Resolution](#).**

Lord & Taylor Expand Project: L&T proceeding with building addition as approved but is still working on architectural design modifications to facade; will forward drawings before any resubmission to TNH.

-----Nassau County Open Issues-----

Bayview Ave/Maple waterfront: NC DPW has fence replacement in 2013 plan.

6th Pct: Awaiting Civic leadership meeting with new Pct leadership.

Plandome Rd Repaving through Plandome Heights: Postponed pending M-L Water District water main project completion Fall 2012. **Obviously, progress thwarted by Sandy Recovery priorities.**