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Strathmore Village Civic Association

Terrace Manor Civic Association

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Plandome

Plandome Heights

Plandome Manor

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Chamber of Commerce

Coalition Against Substance Abuse

Coalition for Safer Manhasset

Manhasset Park District

Manhasset Preservation Society

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Minutes of Meeting: Wednesday June 12th, 2024 @ 7:30 pm
Town of North Hempstead Attorney Office Conference Room – 1st Floor

A regular meeting of the Council of Greater Manhasset Civic Associations, Inc. (GC) was held at 7:30 pm on June 12th, 2024, at the Town Hall Attorney's Room with Andrew Schwenk serving as Chair and Ava Neylon serving as Recording Secretary.

Agenda

1. **Call to Order:** RoundTable Introductions
2. **Terrace Manor presentation of plaque of appreciation to 6th Precinct officer**
 - a) 6th Precinct officer (Lieutenant Patrick O'Neil) was ultimately not present at the meeting but Terrace Manor had intended to reward him for his major role in stopping the problem with St. Mary's school traffic cutting through residential area at drop off and pick up times
3. **Town of North Hempstead Updates** – Mike Donnelly – Legislative Aide to Councilman Adhami
 - a) Updates on open items
 - a) **19 Locust Lane**
 - Code Enforcement sent to this address because they have two violations (one violation is going to court in the end of June)
 - Until the litigation is completed nothing else can be done
 - b) **Painting of Town Buildings**
 - These buildings have not been repainted in 10+ years making this an urgent matter that is **not** in the capital plan
 - The bottom floors have been painted but the top floor is a project and will need scaffolding
 - Goal is to have it done by early fall
 - c) **Fountain in Plandome Pond Park**
 - The original intended goal of the fountain was to move the stream that goes behind 18 houses, into Leeds Pond and finally into Manhasset Bay because it was being

blocked by the residents of Plandome, who were destroying the natural wetlands by installing lawns and playgrounds. Fountain is now working!

- However, the park needs a schedule of maintenance (council suggests grass clippings, canoe to pull the weeds, replacement trees, repair of the benches, etc. and calling the DEC)

d) South Strathmore Street Poles

- By early fall at the latest, these poles are to be repainted in brown and the old staples will be removed

e) West Shoreview Road (Edge of Shorehaven)

- Code enforcement has gone to this location twice and they see no fishermen, but the townspeople disagree
- One townswoman who lives at this location claims to see cars with Connecticut and New Jersey license plates and believes that they are living there in their cars. She called 911 and the police have given two tickets for trespassing at her insistence. Police were initially reluctant to give tickets, and don't see this as a priority.
- Previously there was a sign stating that there will be a \$500 fine for fishing but it is now gone.
- It is imperative that signs with the code are installed

f) Bayview Avenue Location (Old Citi Bank)

- The driveway has been bulldozed and the building is being converted into an Asian dance studio

g) Manhasset Valley Park

- Traffic at Manhasset Valley Park is very difficult due to the small size of lot
- Original project with Nassau County to expand parking lot has fizzled out. The council is considering inviting a commander to come to the September meeting to potentially start a new project regarding this issue

h) Road Work and Re-paving

- Final road re-pavement list is in progress (Council suggested Bayview Avenue, West Drive and Dennis Street)
- Norgate is currently unhappy with the state of Plandome Road
 - Road was dug up in the night for the sewer project, and some sections are in very bad shape
 - Particularly, in front of Buttercooky, in front of Chase and the corner of Park Avenue
- Intended to have temporary re-paving in lieu of an eventual permanent solution

i) Flashing Yield Sign will require a new traffic study

4. Treasurers' Report – Don O'Brien

- a. Don O'Brien was not present at the meeting to provide the Treasurers' Report
- b. Rich Bentley proposed a motion to pass the dues at 7:50 pm. Motion seconded by Mary Oleske at 7:51 pm. All in favor and motion was passed at 7:51 pm.

5. Manhasset Chamber of Commerce Update – Rob Donno

- a. Rob Donno was not present at the meeting to provide the Manhasset Chamber of Commerce Update
- b. **Sewer Project**
- c. **Manhasset Al Fresco**

- a) First AI Fresco is next Sunday on the southern side of Plandome Road
- b) Future Dates of AI Fresco: 6/26, 7/28, 8/10, 9/15

6. Civic Roundtable

a. Norgate

a) Community Beautification

- Norgate would like their pillars to be redone, but project has been delayed due to the construction of the new BMW Dealership
- Rich Bentley advised to speak to local organizations like the Greentree Foundation, the Manhasset Community Fund, etc. regarding this project

b) Community Events

- Ice Cream Social - On Sunday, Norgate held the community ice cream social on Normandy Lane, and it was a major hit
- Norgate Meeting – Annual meeting next week in the Manhasset Public Library where they will vote on officers

b. LIRR Update

a) Plandome Station

- Renovation of Plandome Station has completed and there will be a ribbon cutting ceremony at 10 am this Friday to commemorate

b) Webster Avenue Bridge

- Design work for this project will be complete in a couple of weeks
- They cannot yet comment on the exact details and how long the bridge will be closed. However, when this information is released, they would be happy to come and discuss details at one of the later meetings
- The bridge will not close before the fall and they aim to be done around winter

c. Plandome Heights

- a) No updates

d. Shorehaven

a) Car Crash

- Second car in two months has gone over the edge at the bottom of Bayview Road and through the barriers
- This is a concern due to the damage on the wiring in the telephone poles and the danger of the situation
- There is a delay on the extension of the guard rails, but Verizon has put the wires back
- They will be looking into the grants along Bayview Road and West Shore Road

e. North Strathmore

a) Onderdonk House (owned by Strathmore Association)

- The Onderdonk house is almost done with renovation and currently has a new tenant (young single male who is very handy around the house)
- The entire upstairs apartment, kitchen and bathroom has been redone and their next project is a heat pump for the winter
- North Strathmore Civic Association invites the Greater Council to hold the December 2024 meeting at the Onderdonk house free of charge
- They are also available to hold meetings for other associations for a \$150 fee and can fit about 30 people per meeting

f. Terrace Manor

- a) **Travelodge**
 - School bus picked up child in hotel, is Travelodge a long stay hotel?
- b) **St. Mary's**
 - Landscaping at the property needs maintenance
- c) **Northern Boulevard**
 - By bus stop on Northern Boulevard there is a car that has been there for a week that needs to be removed ASAP as it is a safety hazard (code enforcement to be called)
- g. **South Strathmore**
 - a) **Summer Cocktail Party**
 - Received a permit for closure of Pickwick Road on the 27th of June for summer kickoff cocktail party
- h. **Bayview**
 - a) **Manhasset Valley Park, Bayview Avenue, Locust Property** – discussed above
 - b) **Plandome Road**
 - General code enforcement is necessary along Plandome Road
 - Once every 2 weeks police blitz
- i. **Sewer Project**
 - a) The connection work of the sewer is going to overlap with the bridge project
 - b) It is unclear currently what condition the sidewalks are going to be left in, and if they must fix the sidewalks following this project. They should also replace the gumball trees
 - c) There are many big trucks blocking Plandome Road and causing disruptions
- j. **Old Lord and Taylor Property is becoming NYU Langone Doctors Offices**
- k. **Adam Mann's Starbucks**
 - a) There is a meeting scheduled next week for further discussion with Adam Mann
 - b) They are potentially putting a drive-through here but there is currently no outlet for the traffic
- l. **Parking**
 - a) Many businesses on Plandome Road do not have enough parking
 - b) The spots in the American Legion Parking Lot are not currently being rented out
 - c) Manhasset Park District
 - Potentially changing how they use the LIRR Lot and cutting back on the number of non-residents parking at LIRR

Motion to adjourn by Rosemary Mascali at 9:06 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Ava Neylon, Recording Secretary