

Juniper Hill Civic Association  
Draft Meeting  
Minutes  
Monday, April 28, 2014

The meeting commenced at 7:12 pm.

The following officers were present:

Sue Mirialakis, President  
Alphonso Leonce, Vice President  
Arthur Chisolm, Treasurer  
Seth Segall, Correspondence Secretary  
Sheryl Breuning, Acting Recording Secretary,  
Corinda Hanlon, Acting Recording Secretary

There were approximately 40 Civic Association members present. Also in attendance were Commissioner of Planning Thomas Madden and Central School District Superintendent Ronald Ross and Business Manager Stanley Bronski.

Sue Mirialakis informed everyone of the new JHCA website ([www.juniperhillny.com](http://www.juniperhillny.com)) and reminded everyone to make sure Seth Segall had their e-mails addresses for faster updates and communication. . Seth gave a brief description of the websites and said he would send out an e-mail informing members of them. Sue asked for volunteers to deliver flyers and newsletters

Arthur Chisolm discussed the 2014 dues. The dues go towards funding ink and paper supplies, refreshments at meetings, flowers/cards to members for condolences, and our barbeque. He distributed the treasurer's report. Treasury total as of April 28, 2014 was \$722.08. Dues were collected at the close of the meeting.

Former Superintendent Ross and Mr. Bronski discussed the proposed consolidation of Greenburgh schools and the current state of affairs, including graduation statistics and recent student achievements. They explained the benefits of consolidation to one campus and avoiding Gap Elimination, and Greenburgh's involvement in the Jason Project - a middle school science curriculum designed to motivate and inspire students to pursue interests and careers in science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

Thomas Madden discussed the Greenburgh Comprehensive Plan. If this plan is adopted, the area at the base of Russell Street that borders on White Plains has the potential to be included as part of a multiuse commercial/transportation hub and residential area. The plan envisions it as part of a transportation node connecting buses and trains to the new Tappan Zee Bridge with concentric rings of development radiating  $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $\frac{1}{2}$  and 1 mile from the transportation center. The community will be invited to attend meetings and provide input to any future development plans. Development of this node could help improve the tax base and add attractive amenities, but there are traffic and safety concerns, as well as uncertainty about how this may impact the neighborhood. There will be four public hearings on the Comprehensive Plan before the Town Board meets to accept or

reject it. The hearings are scheduled for April 29, May 10, May 22 and June 2.

Repaving of Greenvale Circle is awaiting Town Board approval of the capital budget.

Sue discussed the upcoming September barbeque and asked for volunteers.

Concerns were brought up over the fire department budget and plans to add a controversial new position. The condition of the Metropolitan Country Club golf course fence on Fair Street was brought up and it was suggested that Deputy Commissioner of Public Works Rich Fon be contacted about it.

Sheryl Breuninger and Corinda Hanlon were elected as joint recording secretaries.

Clinton Pinnock reported a buildup of refuse on the shoulder of Juniper Hill Road directly across from his residence and a jagged tree stump in the same area. He has called DPW four times to no avail. Sue suggested he contact Rich Fon. Seth suggested taking pictures of the problem to send to the DPW.

Henry Acosta reported a problem regarding a neighbor with an aggressive dog. He gave examples of how the dog had chased people and is left unattended in the elements for long periods. He is not comfortable allowing his children to play outside when the dog is staked across the street. Sue suggested calling police chief to get advice. Napoleon Mitchell suggested he attend a meeting of the Civilian Police Advisory Council and bring this to their attention.

The garbage problem at the corner of Juniper Hill and Walnut has been resolved.

We discussed the derelict property on Teramar Way. Building Inspector John Lucido is aware of the problem and is following up on it, but he has had trouble contacting the owner.

Cheryl Howcott reported seeing cars staking out different houses around Midway Road and Teramar Way at different times of the day. Napoleon suggested we report it so the police can patrol the area more frequently. The Police Advisory Council meetings are the first Monday of each month at 7pm.

A motion to close the meeting was passed at 9:40pm.