

March 13, 2006- Meeting Summary

Members present: Co-Chairs Tom Martinez & Steve Abramson, Charles Corwith, Tom & Marlene Haresign, Al Kistler, Joseph Krajewski, Ray & Toni Maloney, Gloria Rabinowitz and Tom Shea.

Non-members present: East Hampton Press reporter Jennifer Landis, Tom Noonan, Hunter Cohen & Lydia Brancaccio.

Commercial Developments in Water Mill

The Center of the Hamptons – Meisel Development. Plans were reviewed and design, materials and scale of the buildings were praised. Consensus that the Planning Board should work with the developer to:

- 1.) Create more parking on the site to meet future and current code requirements.
- 2.) Widen the section of Davids Lane up to entrances of the two commercial sites to eliminate current traffic problem at the highway intersection,
- 3.) Investigate health issues excess sewage from the development might have on well water south of site and to mitigate problem if one is discovered,
- 4.) Large scale trees suggested for site should be planted further apart to provide street trees for Montauk Hwy and Davids Lane.

A letter will be written to the Town supporting the creation of the six apartments in the development. If those apartments are affordable in perpetuity there was support for the waiver of on-site sewage requirements.

Bridgehampton Partners – Water Mill Railroad Station property between Station Road and Nowedonah Ave. Developers had a preliminary discussion with Planning Board. No site plans proposed as yet. The railroad station building will remain and the railroad car removed. Restaurant use will be discontinued. The development covers two lots – one in Village Business zone and the eastern lot in HO –Hamlet office zone. Site plans will be reviewed when submitted.

NYSDOT Tree work on Water Mill's Montauk Highway.

NYSDOT proposed removal of 34 dangerous trees and replacement with 52 new trees. In a response to the CAC letter of support for the project, Town Environmental Analyst indicated that the company planting the trees this spring will be responsible for watering the trees and replacing them if they die.

CAC letters to Supervisor and Town Council

1. In December the CAC recommended Tom Shea to fill the vacant seat on the Town Transportation Commission. Tom has been attending the public meetings, has been interviewed but has not yet been appointed to the Board.

2. We have not received a response to our Nov. 21, 2005 letter related to illegal businesses on Cty Rd 39 in Water Mill.

3. Tom Neely indicated that he is reviewing the road safety issues we addressed in a January 24th letter to the Town Board

4. In response to our request for repair of the asphalt on Montauk Highway, Tom Neely asked for a location map of the problem areas. Two members of the CAC surveyed

the road and provided a map of 22 potholes, 12 problem areas and sections poorly patched.

5. In response to the tractor-trailers parked on Montauk Highway and Cty Rd 39 and off-loading new cars directly on the roadway, Tom Neely will investigate the situation.

6. A memo related to illegal signs will be sent to Town Board. Also a letter related to the publications that are dropped outside of stores where they become a source of litter when they blow around or become wet.

Cty RD 39 Update

Town Transportation Commission and the County will be jointly hosting summer public hearings on several design proposals for Cty Rd 39.

Southampton Fire District

The district is planning to purchase two pieces of property for future stations – one in Water Mill and another on North Sea Rd just north of Cty Rd 39. The vote is scheduled for sometime in May. Four fire well hydrants in Water Mill would be removed this year. The wells were installed before public water lines were laid in the area.

Storm water abatement around Mill Pond and Mecox Bay

Final storm drain plans should be coming in soon. Funding for the original proposed project is not adequate to create all the original storm drains requested.

Request by Fortunoff for a ZBA variance for a second wall sign

Letter opposing variance was sent to the ZBA Board. ZBA denied the variance.

Councilman Christopher Nuzzi will be attending the April 10 CAC meeting.

His legislative responsibility and liaison duties include the Department of Public Safety which takes in code enforcement, Departments of Parks & Public Works, Engineering, Fire Chiefs Council, Housing Authority, Parking Districts, Recycling Programs/Solid Waste, Road Improvement and Street Lighting Districts. The Councilman will be advised in advance about the issues that we have been addressing in the past few years – i.e., road safety, illegal business uses, lack of code enforcement, and problems at Chariots of Fire.

Reminder: Next CAC meeting April 10, 2006 at 7 pm Community House