Members Present: Co-Chair P.A.T. Hunt, Co-Chair Richie Surozenski, Barbara Clark, Mike Laspia, Town Liaisons: Councilman Waddington, Councilman Brown

Members Excused: Keith Clark, Roni King

Opened meeting at 9:00 AM
The March 11, 2008 Minutes were approved as revised.

Old Business:

Grants:

Historic Structure Report:
Co-Chair Hunt reported that Zach Studenroth and John Fokine are preparing the architectural data and recommendations sections to submit to Jean O’Connell by the end of April. Co-Chair Hunt and John Fokine visited Taylor’s Island on Friday, March 21st to measure all of the windows and doors. John emailed this information to Zach Studenroth, to be followed by full printed drawings containing the information.

NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Environmental Protection Fund:
Co-Chair Hunt reported that Traci Christian confirmed that the Informational Meeting held at the Planting Fields Arboretum in Oyster Bay is scheduled for Thursday, May 15th from 1-3 PM. Co-Chair Hunt will contact Ron Lucas, Shelter Island Country Club Board Member regarding the meeting. The due date for the completed application is Monday, June 30th.

Financial:
Co-Chair Hunt reported the figures for the accounts for February 2008: NY Class Account is $79,160.30; Chase Business High Yield Savings Account is $3,124.91; General Fund is $2,000.

Update on Website:
Co-Chair Hunt reported there have been 5,159 visitors.

Update on Work Accomplished at Taylor’s Island and Future Plans:
Co-Chair Hunt reported that on Saturday, March 29th she, Richie and Glenn accompanied George Costello to Taylor’s Island and to a project George recently completed. Co-Chair Surozenski reported that George Costello recommends that the entire shoreline be stabilized at one time. Co-Chair Surozenski also stated that he prefers native round rock to blasted, quarry rock. The Committee reviewed and discussed the options for stabilizing the shoreline and also ways of funding this project. Co-Chair Hunt and Councilman Waddington spoke with two possible sources of native round rock.
Co-Chair Hunt reported she left a message for Sue Spielgelbaum, Chair of the Ram Island Association, to speak with her about Taylor’s Island.

**Update DEC Application:**
Co-Chair Hunt reported she received the survey with the wetlands designation from Nathan Corwin’s office. Jane Costello also received her copies and sent them along with drawings to DEC Staff Kevin Kispert and Chris Arfsten. George Costello suggested Co-Chair Hunt contact Chuck Hamilton of the DEC to invite him out to Taylor’s Island. Co-Chair Hunt telephoned Mr. Hamilton’s office on Monday, March 31st and was told he is out of the office until April 14th. Jane Costello gave Co-Chair Hunt Mr. Hamilton’s email and she will write him upon his return.

**Suggested Uses of Taylor’s Island:**
Co-Chair Hunt recapped the decision of the Committee to open the Smith-Taylor Cabin to the public once a month, May through October, on Saturday or Sunday, from 11 AM to 3 or 4 PM, with a member of the Committee and/or Foundation welcoming visitors and acting as docent. The Committee will review the list of suggested uses in preparation for an in depth discussion during the June meeting.
Co-Chair Surozenski shared his idea of inviting the neighbors out to Taylor’s Island—the Mashomack-Coecles Harbor and Ram Island Associations, as well as the residents of Lari Lane.
Councilman Waddington suggested an exhibit of artists’ paintings and photographs of Taylor’s Island, as well as inviting artists to use Taylor’s Island as a subject.

**SISCA Talk on Taylor’s Island:**
Co-Chair Hunt will be speaking at the SISCA meeting on Wednesday, April 16th and the Committee suggested she include a call for volunteers.

**Taylor’s Island Foundation News:**

**South Ferry Cruise Fund Raiser:**
Co-Chair Hunt reported that the posters have been hung around the Island, as well as posted on the Taylor’s Island and Town Websites. The information is also on Channel 22. She further reported that she emailed the poster to Louise Green of the SI Historical Society for possible inclusion in their newsletter and to Jay Damuck, Shelter Island Kayak Tours.
About a dozen people are on our guest list. One of our guests asked about the availability of chairs. Councilman Waddington will check into it.

**New Business:**

**Shelter Island School:**
Co-Chair Hunt reported that she phoned and left a message for Ms. Sharon Gibbs, SI School Science teacher, to inquire when the Science and Social Studies students will make their annual visit to Taylor’s Island.

**Channel 22:**
Co-Chair Hunt reported that Ms. Maryellen McGayhey emailed and said the Supervisor is interested in having committee meetings filmed from time to time. The Committee members agreed that would be fine once in a while and would be informative to the community.
**Town Owned Bulkheads and Docks:**
Co-Chair Hunt reported that Councilman Reich said he is compiling a list of Town-owned properties with bulkheads and docks, for liability purposes, and asked for information on Taylor’s Island. She indicated she will look at Larry Tuthill’s drawings to determine the shoreline measurements and will also include the fixed dock.

**Boat Slip Space:**
Transporting docents and the people interested in visiting Taylor’s Island and touring the Smith-Taylor Cabin was discussed. Co-Chair Hunt offered a 13’ Boston Whaler for use May 1 through November 1. Possible locations for docking the Whaler were discussed. Councilmen Brown and Waddington offered to check into the possibilities.

**Meeting Adjourned at 9:55 AM**

**Next Meeting:**
Tuesday, May 13, 2008

**Respectfully submitted,**
Danielle LiCausi
Clerk to the Committees