

December 2015 | Rocky Point Civic |
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The citizen who is willing to “think little”, and, accepting the discipline of that, to go ahead on his own, is already solving the problem. The citizen who is trying to live as a neighbor to his neighbors will have a lively and practical understanding of the work of peace and brotherhood, and let there be no mistake about it - he is doing that work...The citizen who is willing to undertake the discipline and the difficulty of mending his own ways is worth more to the conservation movement than a hundred who are insisting merely that the government and the industries mend their ways.

— Wendell Berry, *The Art of the Commonplace: The Agrarian Essays*

December

Approved Civic 2016 – 2017 Board
 President, Dr. Charles Bevington

Vice President, Dr. Al Hanson

Secretary, Susan Bevington

Treasurer, Susan Wilson

Membership Kathy Weber

Sargent at Arms Rory Rubino

Trustees: Maureen O’Keefe, Jeff Davis, Virginia Heslin

Treasurers Report
 November 3, 2015
 Checking \$2,305.46 Savings 1,902.25

AGENDA

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Reading of the November 2015 minutes

Report of Officers

Treasurers Report

Membership Report

Secretary Report

Cope Report

Land Use Committee

Farmers Market Committee

Old Business

New Business: Councilwoman Jane Bonner

Special Citation for Pat Adamko for 20 Years of Service and Councilwoman Jane Bonner performing “Swearing-In Ceremony”

Guest Speaker: TBA

Motion to Adjourn

Next meeting is scheduled for January 5, 2016

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Resolutions from November

1. Civic Slate 2016-2017

2. On a motion by Charles Bevington, seconded by Susan Wilson, the membership voted unanimously to donate an additional \$250 to the VFW for the use of the hall.

3. Circle M Beverage visited with the Civic in order to share plans to construct a 40 x 40 recycling building to the east of the beverage store.

Members present voted to support Circle M Beverage’s plan and Kathy Weber will draft a letter in support of the site plan for the proposed recycling building at 650 Route 25A.

Bring an item for donation for our local food pantry. All items will gladly be accepted and forwarded to our local food bank.



Membership dues for 2016:

\$15 Individual

\$20 Family

Please remit to Rocky Point
Civic Association, P.O. Box 341,
Rocky Point, NY 11778

January 5th Speaker: Janet Godfrey

Operation Veronica has been supporting our Troops from behind our sewing machines since August 6, 2005. <http://operationveronica.org/About.php>

We came to be in response to a need to do something to show our support for the brave men and women serving us in uniform. We learned that the temperatures in Iraq and Afghanistan reached 135 degrees, so a group of us gathered to sew neck coolers. We hoped they would offer some relief from such blistering heat.

Over the years, we have been invited by the men and women stationed in Iraq, Afghanistan and Djibouti to participate in their charitable efforts. In support of their generous spirit we have sent hundreds of pairs of children's shoes, school supplies when we were asked to donate to Operation Backpack - an effort undertaken by American Soldiers to supply the schools they began in 40 year old UN tents.

Each winter we are asked to send warm clothing and blankets for the children of Afghanistan. The winters are so harsh that the survival rate for these little ones is bleak. None of us are surprised that the wonderful men and women serving us in the world reach out to care for them. As for us, we are simply a group of grateful Americans who wanted to find a way to show our support and appreciation.

We know for sure that we need to keep on with our mission because we hear from those brave men and women that the packages are appreciated – as much for their contents as they are for the message they convey;

•Your sacrifices are valued. •You are prayed for. •We support you.

Since our start, we have shipped tens of thousands of handmade items to Troops serving us far from home. We are honored to perform this service.

ROCKY POINT CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

November 3, 2015 ~ 7:30 PM

- Salute to the Flag/Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call of Officers and Trustees

Present:

- President - Kathy Weber
- Recording Secretary Acting Susan Wilson
- Treasurer Susan Wilson
- Trustee Susan Bevington
- Trustee Virginia Heslin
- Membership Secretary Acting Charles T. Bevington Ed.D.
- Sergeant at Arms Charles T. Bevington

Absent, Excused:, Honorary Trustee - Ann Reynen, Trustee Rory Rubino, Vice President-Al Hanson, Corresponding Secretary, Pat Adamko

On a motion by Susan Bevington and seconded by Ralph Iervolino and passed by those present, the reading of the minutes of the October 2015 meeting were waived.

Report of Officers

Treasurers Report: Susan Wilson

November 3, 2015 Balances

☐ Checking \$2,305.46, Savings \$1,902.25

Membership Report: Dr. Bevington

☐ Four pages of members

Corresponding Secretary Report: Pat Adamko (Absent) Report Given by Kathy Weber

☐ Kathy read an invitation from Rocky Point Schools for an upcoming Drug Forum to be held on November 12 at 6 PM in the MS library.

All are welcome to attend.

Cope Report

☐ No Report

Land Use: Chairperson Al Hanson (Absent)

☐ No Report and no October meeting was held

Farmers Market Committee: Dr. Bevington

☐ The market has 19 vendors including one new vendor

☐ The market is open until Thanksgiving

- Old Business

☐ On a motion by Charles Bevington, seconded by Susan Wilson, the membership voted unanimously to donate an additional \$250 to the VFW for the use of the hall.

☐ Kathy Weber shared that there was one entry in the October scarecrow contest and the one person won the \$50 grand prize

☐ Member Des Butler suggested that we take a look at our marketing strategy and have the committee come up with a marketing plan in advance of an event to ensure better participation. He recommended reaching out to art teachers in the district. Other ideas included reaching out to Girl and Boy Scout troops.

☐ Member Des Butler asked that a property deed with beach rights that was referenced at a prior Civic meeting be produced.

Discussion followed. A deed would not be produced.

☐ Dr. Bevington asked if the Civic would purchase new car decals as he only had two left and they were selling well at the weekly Farmers Market. The original 2010 invoice was located and will be scanned to Dr. Bevington so he can reach out the company to see if they can make more. He will report back to the Civic at the next meeting.

☐ The members present formally accepted the slate of officers for the 2016. On a motion by Dr. Connie Iervolino and passed by those present (15-0), the following are in office effective January 1, 2016:

- o President, Dr. Charles Bevington
- o Vice President, Dr. Al Hanson
- o Secretary, Susan Bevington
- o Treasurer, Susan Wilson
- o Membership Kathy Weber
- o Sargent at Arms Rory Rubino
- o Trustees: Maureen O'Keefe, Jeff Davis, Virginia Heslin

Guest Speaker—Richard Searles, Architect and also Owner of Circle M Beverage of Route 25A

☐ Mr. Searles and the owner of Circle M Beverage visited with the Civic in order to share plans to construct a 40 x 40 recycling building to the east of the beverage store. The members present asked questions about the size, location, proposed use, and timeline for seeking Town of Brookhaven approval. Members present voted to support Circle M Beverage's plan and Kathy Weber will draft a letter in support of the site plan for the proposed recycling building at 650 Route 25A, Rocky Point, NY by Circle M.

New Business

☐ Joe Cognitore of the VFW thanked Habitat for Humanity for their recent help with a veteran project in the area.

☐ Joe Cognitore won the 50/50 and donated back his \$15 winnings. Thank you, Joe!

☐ Joe Cognitore shared that the VFW Christmas Party is tentatively on December 12.

☐ Des Butler asked the Civic to consider NOT having the November 2016 meeting on Election Day. Dr. Bevington stated that the calendar would be set in December 2015 and it would be a consideration.

☐ Susan Wilson reported the recent bond vote (Rocky Point UFSD) was defeated.

Motion to Adjourn was made by Virginia Heslin and seconded by Susan Wilson. Motion passed by members present.

Next meeting is scheduled for December 1, 2015