

Mount Sinai Civic Association Monthly Meeting Minutes

March 7, 2022 at 8:00pm

Board Members Present: Ann Becker, Maureen Bond, Steve Koepper, Brad Arrington

Minutes: Accepted by Fred Braun, Jerry Brown

Treasurers Report:

Total: \$6318.75, Checking: \$2281.03, Savings: \$4037.72

Membership Report: 152, 54 New Members

Correspondence Report: Public Service Commission, Broadband Program-speed tests. Brookhaven wants to change language for accessors.

April Nominations for civic board, same as existing slate.

Ann Becker - President, Brad Arrington - Vice President

Steve Koepper - Corresponding Secretary, Jennifer Roth - Membership, Monica Stone -

Treasurer, Maureen Bond - Recording Secretary

Accepted by Janet Braun, Fred Braun - All in favor

Guest Speaker: COPE - (Community Oriented Police Enforcement) Officer Linda Petroski

Upcoming Events - Coffee with a Cop, Selden Starbucks, March 8

Island wide catalytic converter thefts, there is a huge team working on it. Lock your cars, do not leave garage buttons in car, don't leave cars running.

All are cases down. Members concerned about speeding, what are police doing, need more manpower should not be an excuse, statistics requested by civic for tickets issued. Complaints of loud mufflers on Rt. 83. Shoplifting is still a crime in NY, but people are getting tickets, not getting arrested. Can lead to larger crimes. Pan handling problems in area. COPE visits are in Fall and Spring.

UPDATES:

Mt. Sinai Meadows - Thought there was a positive development last meeting. Ann spoke to Jane Bonner, there was a miscommunication. Reducing to 10% affordable housing (less income) from 20% and now 10% workforce (more income) will still have them at 20% to be eligible for IDA abatement. Developer did not yet apply, it has little support from town and residents, so probably won't happen. Want them to build as is. No Planning Board date yet to split PDD, which they will probably be able to do. Affordable is determined by market rate to make affordable for all. Member asked, how does zoning get changed. Property owner has to apply and get approved by Town Zoning Board.

Civic gives input as to the best projects to accept. Balance is important. Rentals for young people is very popular.

Gera Gardens - Retiring, new owner, leasing space for now, owner needs to come up with a plan

Property near school, new owner, original plan was a Medical Bldg. Lori Murphy from Brookhaven Town to check on status.

Hawkins and Spence property for sale

Heritage Park - New turf being installed by Town.

Engle Burman - Bristol, paying to maintain children maze and gardens behind Heritage Center. Working with the North Shore Youth Council, Brookhaven Town and Mt. Sinai Garden Club.

Suffolk County - Upcoming events are Emergency Preparedness, Narcan Training. Rails to Trails to open in May. The five acre parcel paper road off of Rt. 25A is now passive park land.

Brookhaven Town - Recycle Event April 30 at Rose Caracappa. Cell tower permit in process, should be done by the end of this year.

Adjourn: Rick Zettwoch, Mike O'Rorke 9:03pm