

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF MASTIC BEACH  
HELD ON FEBRUARY 7, 2012 AT THE MASTIC BEACH FIRE DEPARTMENT,  
265 NEIGHBORHOOD ROAD, MASTIC BEACH, NEW YORK AT 6:00 PM**

The Public Hearing was called to order at 6:30PM with approximately 100 residents in attendance

Deputy Mayor Gary Stiriz led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

Roll Call was taken by the Village Clerk

In attendance: Deputy Mayor Stiriz, Trustee Biondi, Trustee Morrow and Trustee Olivo

Absent: Mayor Paul Breschard

Also present: Village Attorney Joseph Prokop

Deputy Mayor Stiriz stated that the Mayor had left for health reasons and outlined the procedure for residents desirous of speaking at the hearing.

Maryann Canizio – Asked why land that could not be built on appeared on map and suggested that same be removed from zoning map.

Diane Abell – Mastic Beach is gateway community to Fire Island National Seashore and asked board to keep estate in mind when rezoning. Would like to see comprehensive plan on website.

Tony D'Amico – commended the board on being present and thanked the zoning commission for their work on the proposed code. Mr. D'Amico was pleased with the proposal and stated that the board should keep up the good work.

Bob DeBona – Concern regarding the blue areas of the map and zoning the waterfront as commercial. Expressed concern in making sure education on maintaining area and canoe and kayak trails are all over Long Island. Mr. DeBona would like the village to work with the MBPOA.

Ann Petruso – Neighborhood and waterfront residents are responsible for the village, not the board of trustees.

Bill Hack – has been resident since 1927, learned how to swim here, snapper fishing and would like family to have same opportunity. Neighborhood Rd needs to be fixed first, or nothing else will change.

Tom Fox – Suggested a waterfront use and development plan; also, stop issuing permits until fully vetted.

Gail Cappiello – concerned over blue area on map. KELO vs. New London case and eminent domain is also concern. Waterfront is environmentally sensitive area, village should seek to protect and not destroy.

Adrienne Esposito – Wetlands are important, debilitating same will increase flooding. Preserve essence of Mastic and not destroy area.

Ernie Hoffstatter – good points were raised at last night's hearing. Read proposal, suggests removing motel and add bed and Breakfast. A-2, strike hotel and motel. A-5, when approved by Zoning Board of appeals. A-7, one family dwelling R-1 99% of people. C, strike motel and boatel and add bed and breakfast. 25' for rear to 50'. D-3 front yard 50', not 25'. D-6, 25' to 50'. Blue zoning is more restrictive than DEC, and S.C. still has to approve.

Mario Vigliotta – Asked if Zoning Commission can see letter that Mayor Breschard spoke of the night before regarding the Open Meetings Law and NYS; requesting copy of same. Mayor Breschard had asked Mr. Vigliotta to serve on Commission due to experience from zoning to preservation. Waterfront has to be zoned something – the commission wanted minimal invasion of waterfront, including walkways and benches.

Frank Figurino – Zoning commission had more than waterfront to consider. Neighborhood Road and maintaining standards in the village. Many items are addressed in the commission's report and asked how to improve Neighborhood Road.

James Griffin – Saluted the Zoning Commission, not personal, but not accepting report.

Joe Riese – stated that he was tired of receiving sky is falling e-mails and the fighting. Would like to see Neighborhood Road addressed.

Alan Chasinov – No comprehensive plan, no public meetings, attorney suggested on 2/1 to hire planner to look over report, should have been consulted first. Conflict of interest regarding blue area and marina owned by Deputy Mayor, should recuse himself.

Rebecca Graft – new to area and is committed to conversation that is civil. Village has opportunity to make this better through stability and transparency.

Chris Ricciardi – Applauded Mr. DeBona for looking at things in a different light and asked the board if changes will be made before approving zoning.

Carolyn Dederick – Grew up in Bronx and wants to get away from over-development. Restaurant at Osprey was disgusting, no impact study and quality of life issues if zoned commercial. Stressed the need to revitalize Neighborhood Road.

Michele Wilkinson – asked if blue areas were to be developed, would value of property increase.

Aida Wetzel – asked if all waterfront was being rezoned as commercial.

Ray Hubschmitt – no urgency in rezoning and residents should sit down and compromise. Accusations and name calling does not help – amendments to zoning can be made later and recommends that T.O.B. zoning be adopted for now with rezoning in sections one at a time later on.

Larry Tellefson – does not understand why everything is being zoned as commercial and does not want the board to shove this down the residents throats.

Adrienne – village does not have sewer system and storm water treatment should be available.

Tony D'Amico – Create infrastructure to support business growth and be supportive of investors interested in Mastic Beach.

Betty Manzella – Zoning concerns the entire village, not just waterfront. This is a public hearing and the board is listening to the residents input and will tweak proposal.

Aida Wetzel – Stated that the board is doing a darn good job.

Alan Chasinov – stated that the village did not advertise zoning commission meetings.

Arthur Kruse – Waterfront controlled by MBPOA, no beaches left. Develop Neighborhood Rd or businesses will not come here. Also, MBPOA revitalization plan should be revisited.

Deputy Mayor Stiriz announced that a Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held at the Senior Nutrition Center at 5:00PM before the start of the Public Hearing at 6PM

Upon motion made by Trustee Biondi, seconded by Trustee Morrow and unanimously carried, the public hearing was adjourned at 8:08PM

DATED: February 21, 2012  
MASTIC BEACH, NEW YORK

  
VIRGILIA C. GROSS  
Village Clerk

