

BAYWOOD PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

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RECYCLING-WHAT'S UP?

This year's changes in our "garbage" pickup schedule and recycling program have created quite a bit of confusion for many of us here in Baywood. Garbage pickup changed from Tuesdays and Fridays to Mondays and Thursdays with the Wednesday recycling day staying the same. Aside from the Wednesday pickup day staying the same, everything else about recycling changed. Many of us scratched our heads in question as the recycling trucks just drove by our recycling containers. Turns out there were very good reasons for them to do so. To clarify the issues, we invited Mr. Erich Weltsek from the Town of Brookhaven's recycling program to our annual meeting to explain what was going on. Erich's presentation gave insights into the recycling program, including its global ties.

The Town now conducts what is known as a "**dual stream**" recycling program; as opposed to the "**single stream**" program we had last year. Basically, under the dual stream program newspapers and cardboard are collected separately from plastic and metal containers. This is different

from last year, where they were all put in the same container and collected together on Wednesdays. The program had to be changed primarily due to changes in the global market, which occurred late last year; requiring a higher quality of recycled material. By us properly separating the materials prior to pickup, the Town can better produce a product that the global market will accept and pay for. As Erich pointed out it is essential that we keep the recycling materials as "pure" as possible. Things like plastic bags, Styrofoam, glass and greasy pizza boxes "contaminate" the recvcle material, making it useless to those trying to sell and reuse it. In effect, such contaminants can render an entire load of recycling material as garbage, which is then just thrown away (landfilled or incinerated) at a major cost to the Town. This is why the Town has to be vigilant about what it allows to be picked up on recycle day.

See our website (baywoodassociation.com) for a direct link to the Town's recycling website. Here's a summary of the yeses and noes of recycling:

• NO cans contaminated with toxic chemicals

Please place loose recyclables in a CURBY can or other container. **Recyclables in plastic bags will NOT be accepted!** Acceptable Material for Curbside Recycling PAPER/CARDBOARD RECYCLING DAY: PLASTIC/METAL RECYCLING DAY: **PLASTICS #1 & #2** PAPERS • Emptied/Rinsed Newspapers • **NO** waxed paper Copy paper • **NO** metallic paper • Water/soda bottles • Milk jugs Magazines • NO shredded paper NO • Colored inserts • NO soiled papers/tissues • Detergent bottles GLASS!! • NO motor oil containers CARDBOARD • NO Styrofoam • Corrugated (i.e. shipping boxes, etc.) • NO plastic bags • Non-Corrugated (i.e. cereal boxes, etc.) • NO waxed milk/juice cartons METAL CANS • NO egg cartons • Emptied/Rinsed • NO soiled cardboard/greasy pizza boxes • Tin, aluminum, and bimetallic cans • Aerosol spray cans (empty & caps removed)

Please visit <u>www.brookhavenny.gov/recycle</u> for more information and a list of recyclable glass drop-off locations!

ANNUAL MEETING

(The following is a summary of the minutes of the annual meeting.)

The annual meeting of the Baywood Property Owners Association was held on May 20, 2019 at the East Moriches Ambulance Building.

A summary of last year's meeting minutes was read by the Secretary. A motion to accept the minutes as written was made by Nora Bartha and seconded by Bob Hefter.

The Treasurer's report was presented by Nathy Yakaitis, and included a written financial statement indicating the assets, income and expenses of last year (2018) and so far this year (2019). The fiscal year runs from May 1st to April 30th. The cash available is \$19,394.11. The expenses for 2017-2018 were \$5,445.69 with income (dues) of \$8,850.00.

The next item presented was the Budget for the present fiscal year 5/1/18 to 4/30/19. The budget anticipates expenditures of \$7,100.00 and an income of \$8,250.00. A motion to accept the budget and report was made by Pete Madsen and seconded by Herb Kramer. The budget was accepted.

A membership report indicated that there are 53 paid members in the fiscal year ended 4/30/19. The request for annual dues for the present fiscal year will be \$150.

OFFICERS

Steve Keegan..... President Helena Hines.....Vice President Nathy Yakaitis Treasurer Royal Reynolds.....Secretary Bob Hefter.....Assistant Treasurer

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Newsletter material should be sent to: Royal Reynolds, Editor-in-Training 49 Inlet View Path East Moriches, New York 11940 e-mail: rrvreynolds@optonline.net 631-885-1926 Website – baywoodassociation.com The Association welcomed the newest residents Joseph and Nicole Weiss, who purchased the Carney house.

A presentation on recycling in the Town of Brookhaven was given by Erich Weltsek. Erich works for the Town and coordinates the recycling program. Erich explained the existing "two stream" recycling program and answered all the questions raised. It was agreed to present some of the highlight of his presentation in the next Baywood Newsletter with a link to the Town website on recycling.

Joan and Herb Kramer reported for the beautification committee and indicated that they have already planted flowers at the entrance and would be planting more this year.

The Association's website was discussed (<u>baywoodassociation.com</u>). The website is in the process of being "upgraded" due to a change in the platform provided by the company (GoDaddy). The cost of the new site is estimated to be about \$170. In the past the cost of the site had been "donated". On a motion by Marsha Hefter and second by Charles Bartha the Association voted to assume the cost of the website for this year.

Once again a discussion was held about getting a community security camera installed at the front entrance. The camera needs a power supply and link to a receiver; one of the homeowners near the entrance would have to volunteer to host the camera and the receiver.

The gate code has been changed this year and all members in good standing (paid) received a notice of the new code.

Concerns were raised about some property in Baywood not being maintained, including one storing commercial type vehicles. It was the consensus that such matters should be handled by contacting the Town of Brookhaven about possible code violations, so they can investigate any zoning violations.

The annual cocktail party was discussed, we need a host for this year's party, which usually takes place in September or October; a request for a volunteer has been made to the membership.

A motion to accept the existing slate of officers to serve for the upcoming year was made by the Marcia Hefter and seconded by Pete Madsen and approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:06PM.

(A copy of this Newsletter is available on our website, <u>baywoodassociation.com</u>)

IF A TREE FALLS IN BAYWOOD DOES ANYONE HEAR IT?

During some strong winds this winter a large pine tree came down in Baywood, blocking the road. In the process of falling it also destroyed a light pole. The remains of the tree were removed by the Town's Highway Department and a new LED streetlight was installed. The new light is very similar to the older streetlights, except it is shorter and brighter. The light is "dark-sky" compliant. Anyone interested in seeing the new light can view it located between #47 and 49 Inlet View East.



WHAT WE SHOULD KNOW ABOUT LED LIGHTS

Besides replacing damaged lights with LEDs, the Town of Brookhaven is in the process of replacing all its older streetlights with new LEDs (Light Emitting Diodes). These types of lights are much more energy efficient and will save money for the Town (and taxpayers) in the long run. For us homeowners, LEDs are now widely available for use inside and outside our homes. LEDs will definitely save us money and they are easy to install. However, LED lights can come at a cost to our quality of life and can be harmful to our health. The thing about LEDs is that they can be very harsh on our eyes, causing a natural reaction for us to squint and look away from even low wattage LED lights. Did you ever notice when you are driving, that certain headlights coming at you appear more annoying than others? Its probably because they are LEDs with too much white light (high CCT). CCT stands for "Coordinated Color Temperature" and is expressed as degrees Kelvin (K). This temperature rating indicates **what tone of white light will be emitted** from the light fixture. As humans and homeowners, we normally prefer LEDs in the range of 2500K; natural sunlight is over 5000K. These CCT numbers should be marked on the packaging of light bulbs or fixtures when you buy them in the store. Beware of higher CCTs, they can be quite annoying to the eyes and some experts believe they are harmful to our health in the long run.

LED lights installed improperly on the outside of buildings can create light pollution; upsetting neighbors and wildlife. When installing outside LED lights certain considerations will prevent light pollution problems:

All outside lights should be 3000K or less.

All outside lights should be darksky compliant and aimed downwards so as not to emit any light upwards into the sky.

All outside lights should be restricted from shining light onto any neighbor's property (maximum .05 candlepower at neighbor's property line).

Unnecessary outside lights should be turned off at night (motion activated security lights are recommended in lieu of leaving lights on all night).

If you are having a problem with light pollution from neighboring homes; you should nicely mention it to the neighbor to see if they can correct the problem by either redirecting the light, restricting times of use or changing the light bulb. If all else fails, the Town of Brookhaven has an Exterior Lighting Code, which restricts light pollution and trespass (contact code enforcement at (631)451-TOWN). (Also see our website for additional links.)



This year's beautiful plantings at the entrance

The following is a list of Families that live in Baywood. Please note that some nouseholds missed paying dues for 2018.				
If you have questions about membership and dues, please contact the Treasurer, Nathy Yakaitis at (516) 659-9246.				
Antunovich*	Egan	Keegan/Bianchini*	Norris *	Stonesifer*
Barrasso*	Esh*	LaRocca*	Novak*	Tedaldi/Calondona*
Bartha*	Fierro/Brazill	Kilroy*	Oats*	Tobey*
Beardslee*	Freys	Kramer*	Obermeyer	Tokash *
Brody*	Gale (vacant)	Lewis *	Pasqualone*	Trujillo*
Burkhardt*	Garone*	Lieb*	Pollack	VanGelder
Catanzaro*	Glaser *	Lynch/Bak*	Pouteau*	Wald*
Celentano*	Grausso*	MacDonald	Ragimierski*	Weiss, J.*
Celic*	Guerin	Madsen*	Reynolds*	Weiss, W.*
Crane	Hefter*	Mailand/Hanley*	Rogers*	Yakaitis *
Delaney*	Hopkins*	Marletta*	Ruddy*	Youngman*
Dolber*	Inserra/Nowell*	Hines*	Ruggiero*	
Dorney(vacant)	Johnston-Wen*	McEvoy *	Schwartzapfel*	
Doyle *	Canane*	Mead*	Seitles*	
Dunkirk		Nenninger(sold)		

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

The following is a list of Families that live in Baywood Please note that some households missed paying dues for 2018

Indicates those residents who paid dues last year (2018). *

The gate code has been changed. The new code has been mailed/given to all paid members. Any members needing the code can contact any of the officers, who will use the above list to determine membership (paid members). Any problems with the operation of the gate or code, feel free to contact Roy at 631-885-1926 (This phone # is also posted at the gate).



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