



Long Island Section of the

American Planning Association
New York Metro Chapter

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APA Long Island Section Steering Committee

Friday November 7, 2014, 8:00-9:30 AM-Renaissance Downtowns

Meeting Participants

Officers: Ela Dokonal-Director, Ann Fangmann-Secretary, Sean Sallie-Incoming Director

Steering Committee: Tom Isles, Wes Sternberg, David Sabatino, Rich Murdocco *By Phone*: Patti Bourne, Marwa Fawaz, David Viana, Elissa Ward, Janice Jijina, David Berg, Max Sokol

Guests: Mike Levine (APA NY Metro Dir. Intergovernmental Affairs), Rich Zapolski (Islip), Gene Murphy (Islip)

- Secretary's Report:
 - Discussion of outreach materials for Arthur Kunz Scholarships. Notice to be posted on website and sent out via IContact. Kathy Eiseman will be contact for applications.
- Treasurer's Report:
 - Current checking balance \$6,976.15
 - Based upon the current September statement of the Arthur Kunz Memorial Fund report for July 1, 2014 to September 30, 2014, the following amount available for grants: \$3,995.80
- Professional Development Officer's Report:

There was no PD Officer's report this meeting.
- Director's Report:
 - Form Based Code Institute:
 - Ela presented the research she completed on options for a FBCI 101 Course for the Section. The course would include overview on integration with the SEQRA process. Possibility for sponsorships.
 - \$125 for one day session, regular session at min \$250, discounted due to sponsorship from Renaissance Downtowns
 - Walking Tours:
 - Potential Baldwin Downtown (tabled for early spring) and Bay Park STP recovery and park improvement tour.

- Presentation on Heartland Town Center by Town of Islip Planning Department
 - Rich Zapolski and Gene Murphy gave presentation on Heartland Town Center, Developer RTKL.
 - Major points of the FEIS and current status of the project were discussed amongst the Steering Committee, including design guidelines, transit and transportation connections and infrastructure, zoning changes and draft Master Plan, density and land uses, project phasing, emergency services, housing and market trends, and adaptive re-use of the power plant.
 - The Town stated that Suffolk County and the State have committed approximately \$225 million to additional transportation and traffic needs for the project not being provided by the Developer.
 - Mike Levine introduced himself as Director of Intergovernmental Affairs for the Chapter and described the process of coordinating and issuing a position statement. He stated that position statements tend to focus on transformative and regionally significant topics and suggested that a position statement on Heartland may want to focus on mitigation cost sharing using national precedence and best practices.
 - Following a discussion on potential position statement topics, the Steering Committee agreed to pursue the topic of mitigation cost sharing and Tom Isles volunteered to work with Mike Levine to develop a draft position statement to present to the Chapter's Executive Board.

- Next Steering Committee Meeting:
 - To be held in December at a location TBD