

SUFFOLK COMMITTEE FOR CAMPING
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
April 3, 2024
Henrietta Acampora Cottage

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Vice President Ken Weeks opened the General Membership meeting of Suffolk Committee for Camping at 7:30 PM. The salute to the flag was led by Ken followed by a moment of silence.

Board members in attendance: Clare Gunning, Todd Lavender, David Lipman, Sharynn Lipman, & Ken Weeks.

Clubs Represented: Pathfinders, Drifters, Cruisers, LIBBA, LI Wagoneers, Friends By Nature, Blue Ovals, and South Shore.

A motion to accept the minutes as read made by Jamie Amoroso. Seconded by Kim Paton.

The new Parks Commissioner took over as of Monday. His name is John Giannot. He is willing to work with SCC on the problems in the parks.

Ken warns that our members should not be going into Cat Pines while it's under construction and taking pics and posting on facebook. We don't want anything to happen and the blame to fall on SCC.

Kim Paton has brought Walmart on as a corporate sponsor. We should be expecting a variety of donations for KickOff. If needed they will supply goody bags. Please submit any requests, for items you would like to see in their stores for campers, to Kim. Walmart would like to be able to deliver to the campgrounds but Suffolk County Parks said no.

County cancelling some reservations in parks in September. This is due to redoing dump stations. Complaints that they didn't close the reservation system for these times at these parks ahead of time so no one could make a reservation. The current dump system is illegal. The new systems will remove nitrogen from waste.

Membership: Most all of the clubs have rejoined. We're missing 2 re-registrations.

Commercial Membership: Walmart of course as reported is a new commercial member. Stong Island Tent Rentals is a new commercial member. We are using them for KickOff

Scholarship: 2 complete applications have been received.

Park Liaison: Cat Pines work is under way. The main roads were done. Dave went through Indian Island and Smith Point. The parks look good. All the east end parks are up and running. They are working on Shinnecock East. They also need a new dump tank.

KickOff:

Entertainment – Just 60s.

Meals – What ever they feed us.

Fundraiser – Walmart

Club Sales – Mallards doing movie night theme. No changes from last meeting.

There are jobs to fill for the weekend. Don't know if they need two days to do lines.

Just under 200 reservations right now.

Old Business: Don't know yet if campers are allowed in day early to group areas.

New Business: Ken wanted to remind everyone that he is not the President and will not be running the meetings once Ed O'Shaunessy is back from his work assignment.

Good & Welfare: It's Kim Paton birthday. Please help yourself to cupcakes and cookies. One of the Cruisers fell in Manhattan and broke both legs.

Next meeting: May 1, 2024 at Henrietta Acampora Cottage

A motion to close the meeting was made by Kim Paton. Second by John Groves.

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