## SUFFOLK COMMITTEE FOR CAMPING GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING April 7, 2021 Schiff Scout Reservation

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

Board members in attendance: Bob Colwell, Clare Gunning, Dave Lipman, Sharynn Lipman, and Ed O'Shaughnessy.

Clubs Represented: Pathfinders, Cruisers, LI Castaways, Polecats, Outsiders, Drifters, LI Campers, Carefree/Getaways and Toasted Marshmallows.

Minutes from the last meeting were read. Motion to accept by John Groves and second by Kathy Hallock.

Dave thanked Schiff Scout Reservation for allowing the meeting to be held there.

Membership: 11 Clubs have renewed their membership. After the last meeting reminders went out to the remaining clubs.

Commercial: The Sweatshirt Lady (Kathy Hallock) renewed her membership.

Scholarship: Apps are on the table. We are nearing the deadline.

Park Liaison & Legislation: The compressors are down at Montauk Beach and LIBBA is going to get the parts to repair them as the county has no money in their budget. LIBBA is having a beach cleanup May 8th. They are bringing a bulldozer into a couple of beach campgrounds trying to restore the camping. The beach erosion is very bad. At the curve by the end of lower section to the upper section of the of the hill to the 200s at Smith Point they put a couple of benches on a walkway that they have created. The picnic table tops and benches that are damaged are being worked on. Park Rangers are issuing tickets for two cars on a site. According to the Park Rangers you are to go in the exit after the gate is closed at Parking Lot at Smith Point. (please be careful) At Southaven a lot of trees are gone and the stumps are ground down. There was a lot of toilet paper observed on the ground at the dump stations in various parks. Please be careful and clean the area after you empty your tanks. All the play grounds are open at the parks. Water is now on at all the parks. All parks are now open in season. Season runs from April 1st to November 11th. At this time The Parks Commissioner is not honoring the price to use the building at Cathedral Pines agreed to in 2017. Dave and Joe Kukral have a zoom meeting with the Chairperson of the Parks Trustees Committee on Monday the 12th. It will be Dave, Joe, Kara Hahn and the Commissioner. They are also working on getting the group lottery to occur earlier so that the groups days know if they got their

request before the sites will open to the individual time of 180 days. There are issues with the listing of group areas still available as March 1<sup>st</sup>. You don't have to provide dog papers when you check into campgrounds anymore. (it is the owners responsibility to be able to show if requested. They do still want green key card and registrations.

KickOff: Cancelled. SCC was told they could hold it with 150 people and only 50 people in the building. It can't be done.

A financial report was given.

Good and Welfare: Rod Healy from the Polecats has died.

Next meeting: May 5th Place TBD

50/50 winner: Mike Schmidt

A motion to close the meeting made by John Groves. Second by Kathy Hallock.

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